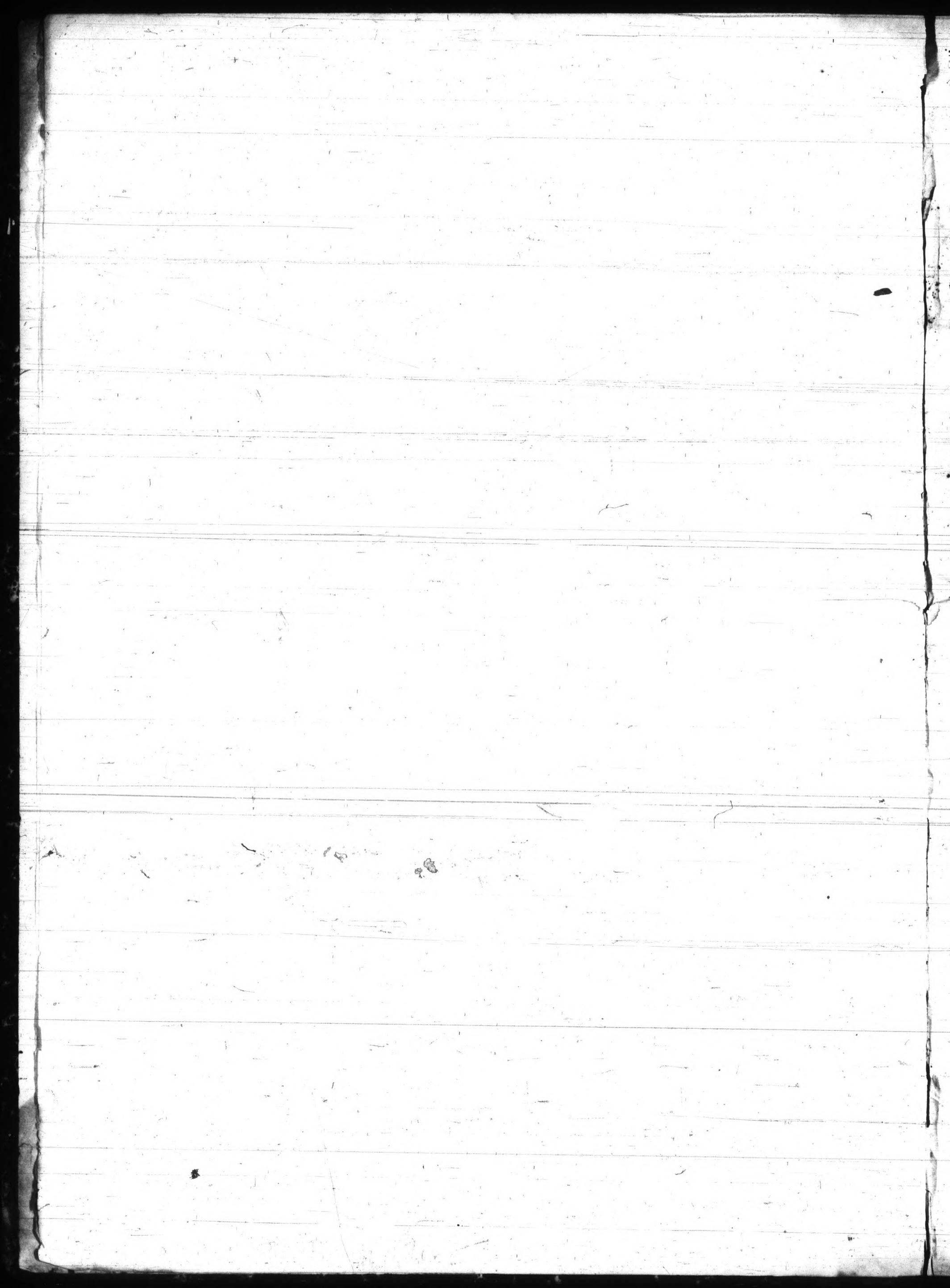


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Essex County Finances.

We have been furnished with the following exhibit of the receipts and expenditures of this county during the year 1865 and the present state of its finances.

RECEIPTS.

Balance on 1st January 1, 1865, \$8,884.37

Received on taxes for 1864, 30,012.00

Whole amt of taxes for 1865, 100,000.00

Money hired in 1865 on permanent and temporary loans, 45,000.00

Interest on bonds, and on notes loaned after their date, 284.20

Board of Prisoners in Asylum at Ipswich, 5,293.82

Board of Prisoners in House of Correction at Ipswich, 613.03

Labor of prisoners in House of Correction at Ipswich, 714.82

Industry articles sold at House of Correction at Ipswich, 804.21

Board of Prisoners in House of Correction at Lawrence, 137.73

Labor of prisoners in House of Correction at Lawrence, 2,314.00

Sundry articles sold at House of Correction at Lawrence, 493.02

Board in Jail at Newburyport, 106.10

Witness fees, from Police Courts, trial Justices, Sheriff, and other officers, 19,000.20

Of Clerk of Courts for express of his fees over \$200, 491.71

Prize money, 164.00

Dog licenses, 4,024.20

Proceeds of land sold in Lawrence, 568.81

Proceeds of sundry old articles, 363.02

989,120.00

EXPENDITURES.

Paid principal of County debt and temporary loans, 672,000.00

Interest on same, 12,737.37

Support of prisoners in House of Correction, and of inmates in Asylum at Ipswich, 15,338.4

Support of prisoners in House of Correction and Jail at Lawrence, 12,369.70

Support of Overseers of Houses of Correction at Lawrence, 2,820.50

Support of prisoners in Jail at Newburyport, 1,065.00

Expenses of coronial prosecutions, 32,242.07

Expenses of civil terms of courts, 5,497.13

Highways, 1,444.21

Coroners' Inquests, 244.50

Recording, indexing, printing and stationery, 3,375.50

Law Library Association, 338.42

Pen, lights, and part of Court House, Construction, repairs, and furniture for County buildings, 11,701.32

Board of Examiners, 150.00

County Commissioners' salaries, 3,829.00

Treasurer's salary, 1,000.00

Sherriff's salary, 1,200.00

Clerk of Court or County Commissioner, 174.25

Judge of Probate for committing lunatics, 30.00

State Commissioner for visiting insane Asylum, Ipswich, 5.50

Conveying inmates from 10 to State Hospital, Worcester, 100.00

Commod fee in visit against County, 100.00

Damages to sheep, 236.64

Constables killing dogs, 163.00

Cash in the Treasury, 20,610.94

899,100.00

The outstanding notes of the county are payable, viz.:

\$20,000 at 5 per cent interest, in 1866

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69,000 " " " " " " " "

The whole amount of the County debt as incurred in the erection and improvement of County buildings, prior to 1865.

A. D. WAIT,

JAMES HIBBELL,

J. B. SWERT,

County Commissioners.

ALLEN W. DODGE, County Treasurer.

EP A lady writing upon the subject, says:

"When man break their hearts, it is the same as when a lobster breaks one of its claws,—another prouling immediately, and growing in its place.

My Infant after the Baby.

I had been to the corp lot in the hope of finding a few roasting ears for supper; but there were none ripe enough, so I walked slowly back to the house, with my hands under my apron to save them from sunburn; and the moment I stepped into the sitting-room I saw the baby was missing.

The baby was one that had been left with us—sister Bell and me—while the dear mamma went to see the dear papa, sick in a far-away hospital. It was a plump, peachy little thing, nearly a year old, named Maudie—famously called Midge; and more familiarly Midget. She was full of mischief as she could hold; crept all about the house, throwing things out of doors or into the fire as came handiest; thrust her hands behind her and screeched like a hyena, if any one approached to interfere with her operations, and slept about fifteen minutes twice a day.

Her usual time to be crawling around under her feet was in the early part of the day, when the kitchen work was in progress; in the afternoon, when the work was all done, and we ready for a frolic with her babyship, the little nuisance might generally be found sequestered in a corner, hugging a bosom full of matches, or sticking postage stamps all over her chubby arms.

But this time I had left her asleep. She must have been asleep, for she didn't wink, and when the little devil was hawking me she always winked desperately. I laid her on a rug in a cool corner, and leaving the door open, walked down to the corn-field and back again in about seven minutes, as nearly as I could judge.

The baby was missing! There was the print of her little moist head on the pillow, there were the little blue hints of shoes, just as she had kicked them off in her play, scattered about through room after room, catching and calling. Not a glimpse of the little white frock, not a lip from the prattling tongue.

"Baby! baby! where are you?" I cried. O dear Mr. T. B. Aldrich! It wasn't our baby you had in mind, it was one who wrote those sweet lines,

"Oh where is our darling, our darling,
The daintiest darling of all,
Little Maudie?"

Rushing to the foot of the stairs, "O, Bell!" I shouted, "have you seen baby?"

"No, I haven't; I guess not. Why?"

"I knew by the way Bell spoke that she was not half awake, but her coolness annoyed me.

"You guess not! Well, she's lost; I went to the lot roasting ears, and when—"

A freetful exclamation from Bell interrupted me.

"O dear me! Have you looked in the parlor? I've no doubt but she's there, poking over my photograph album. Do look, please, sis.

Terror overmastered my strong desire to stomp back a snappy answer to this aggravating remark. Down stairs again, I threw open the parlor door, which, having been tightly closed, I had not before tried.

All undisturbed and quiet—How thankful I should have been just then to have found everything topsy-turvy, the phantom and grass bushes in ruin, and Bell's album in the smutty fingers of the little culprit.

With a groan I sat at the door and commenced the search anew. I opened all the closets and presses that I had opened before, looked under bureaus and sofas, shook the ironing basket, fished in the will barrel. All vain! No baby—no Midge!

Then I ran out to the current bushes, where a few tempting red bunches were still hanging. Bell saw and hailed me from the chamber window.

I looked up to see the pre-cocking girl sitting by the open blind, bristling her tangled hair, and come and help me find this child?"

"Have you looked in the ash-hole, and the band-boxes, and the big churn?"

"I answered this trying sister of mine; but I saw her eyes opening very wide, and in two minutes more she was flouncing about the kitchen, with her unfastened braids hanging about her shoulders in a very original style of 'waterfall'.

Her movements were peculiar and characteristic. She shook the doormat, jerked the pump-handle, examined the bread-tray, and the flour barrel. Then she eyes fell upon the sink-drain.

"She couldn't have got in there, now, could she?" questioned Bell, with terror in every feature. "The horrid sewer, you know!" And she looked a whole chapter of Victor Hugo at me in one wretched instant.

"Of course not. Through a four-inch spout!" and put the strainer in after her! What a preposterous notion!

And Bell does not know to this day that but five minutes before she came down I was working the broom-handle down that very spot with all my might and main.

"Out of doors we went, examined the out-houses and slumps of ilder, looked over the fence, up street, down street, and finally returned discomfited to the kitchen.

"Midget Midget! dear, precious little angel—where are you, Maudie Bell, dropping upon the ceiling. I did not say, 'Humph, pestiferous little angel!' for Bell's distress was too genuine to be mocked. So, as we sat with our arms around each other, we heard a very slight rattling in the direction of the little cook-room of the kitchen, which contained no furniture except stove and table. We had glanced around this room once or twice; but as there seemed to be no hiding places, the thought of searching it had never occurred to us.

The stove was a large-sized Stewart, with an oven occupying the whole lower part. Well, to cut the story short, the baby was in the oven! We knew it, Bell and I, as soon as it was reported, and we simultaneously rushed for the cook room. There she sat—the mischief—bolt upright in the oven, with her head in the high part, and her feet in the low, treating herself to the contents of a blackberry pie, which had been left in from the morning's baking. She had taken off the upper crust whole, spreading it on her bosom like a napkin, and was employed in picking out the blackberries one by one, and conveying them to her mouth. She looked up at us, and oh, such a face! What with cunning, fright, and blackberry juice, I have never seen such a face, before or since.

Bell caught her out, kissed her comparatively clear, scolding her all the time. Then she carried her to the sink, and pumped water on her without the least fear of washing her down the spout. As soon as the little lady recovered her breath, she screamed furiously, and pointed to the oven with decided demonstrations of a plan to return to her repeat. Bell begged the privilege of putting her back to finish the pie; but I steadily set my face against such an indulgence, and when she and Midget both insisted, set the matter at rest by kindling a huge fire in the stove, and making vigorous preparations for an early tea.

THE WAY THAT SCANDAL GOES.—An English paper contains the following, which should go the rounds. A wise man gives his friend this advice:

"If you take a house in a terrace a little out of the way, be certain to have a tall, open, because, a story never less by telling, and if you live in the middle house, tales which might be circulated to your prejudice will only have half the distance to travel that they would if you lived at either extreme, so you will have twice as good a character as those residing at either end."

The following fact will prove the wisdom of my advice: The servant at No. 1 told the servant at No. 2 that her master expected his old friends the Baileys to pay him a visit shortly. No. 2 told No. 3 that No. 1 expected to have the bailliffs in his house every day; No. 3 told No. 4 that it was up with No. 1, for he could not keep the bailliffs out; and No. 4 told No. 5 that the officers were after No. 1, and it was as much as he could do to prevent the levy of an execution in his house, and that it was nearly killing his poor, dear wife. And so it went on increasing until it got to No. 32, who confidently assured No. 33 that the Bow street officers had taken up the gentleman at No. 1 for killing his poor, dear wife with arsenic, and that it was confidently hoped and expected that he would be executed.

A LEGISLATIVE GOOD TIME. The managers of the Pacific Railroad, on the California end, are abroad enough to invite the Legislature to take a ride upon it occasionally, and they provide liberally for the wants of the inner man on such occasions. A man told a story of one of these excursions, recently, as follows:

"That was a nice time they had yesterday. Coming home one man sat in such a deep and profound study that for an hour or so none of his companions dared to break the chain of his thoughts. As the train reached the city, the heretofore silent gentleman roused himself, and holding with both hands to the seat on which he had been sitting, exclaimed: 'Boned turkey, canvas-back, and mallards, roast chickens, champagne, brandy-punch, old bourbon—ten dollars per party, nothing to do but travel free over the state; it's a d—d sight better than the business, and I'm going in favor of legislation as a profession; I'm in favor of annual sessions, and think the Governor should call them, and every now and then.'"

EP The negro who committed a diabolical murder of a white girl and boy, in Union Co., Arkansas, a few weeks since, was followed and arrested in Bradley Co., by negroes. After being brought back he confessed his guilt, and went to the place where the murder was committed and got the knife which he had used, and afterwards confessed under a log. After the proper examination, he was taken to death, old negroes and Federal soldiers assisting in bringing pine knots to make the fire. The negroes manifested the utmost anxiety to have him brought to justice.

EP The Hartford Courant tells of an emaciated man who took a young widow on a sleigh-ride, proposed to her and was accepted. After which he was so elated that he wished somebody would seek him for a loan of a few hundred dollars, without security, and that he never was so happy in his life."

EP It is stated that a party have recently discovered oil springs in the vicinity of Buena Vista Lake in California, which yields a mineral substance resembling crude petroleum, and which can be used for a writing fluid, making excellent ink. A company is being formed to test the above discovery.

The Little Match Peddler.

It was terribly cold; it snowed, and was already quite dark; the evening was the last of the year. But in the coldness wandered a poor little maiden, with bare head and naked feet. When she left home she had on slippers; but what availed that? The slippers were very large, so large that her mother had formerly worn them. The little one lost them as she was running across the street while two wagons were rolling by at a frightful speed. One of the slippers was nowhere to be found, it lay behind and ran off with the other. He thought he could use it very well as a cradle, when he should first have a child. Since then the maiden had gone with tiny bare feet, that were very red and blue with cold.

In an old apron she carried some matches, and a bunch thereof in each hand. No one had bought any of her the whole long day, nor given her one penny.

Trembling with cold and hunger, she crept along, an image of woe, poor child! The snowflakes covered her long, golden hair, which fell in beautiful curls on her neck; but of this, truly, she thought not now. Out of every window gleamed the light, and she inhaled the delicious odor of roast goose. It was Sylvester Eve! yes, thereon thought she!

She crouched in a corner, formed by two houses, one of which jutted out more than the other, and curled up her little feet; but she was colder than before. She dared not go home, she had sold so few matches and brought no penny with her.

Her father would certainly beat her, and it was so cold at home also; above her she had only the roof, through which the wind whistled, even though the great gaps were filled with straw and rags.

Her little hands were nearly stiff with cold, if she should take a single one from the bunch and strike it on the wall. She drew one out. "Recht! how it sputtered, how it burnt!"

It was a warm, bright flame, like a little taper as she held her hands over it; it was a wonderful little light. It shone cheerfully on the little maiden, and she sat before a large iron furnace with polished brass legs and a Lutzen cover. The fire burned so brightly, it warmed so nicely! The little one had already stretched forth her feet to the warmth—but then the flames went out; the flames went out and she had only the stump of a burnt-out match in her hand. She struck a second, it flashed, and when the glow fell on the wall, it became transparent like a veil. She could see into the room. A snow white cloth was laid on the table, thereon stood shining porcelain dishes, and a roast goose, stuffed with apples and plums, exhaled a delicious odor. And what was yet more beautiful to see, the goose hopped down on the floor from the platter, with knife and fork in its breast, and waddled toward the poor little maiden. Then the match went out, and left again only the thick, cold, damp walls. She lit another match. There sat the then under a glorious Christmas tree; it was still grander and more beautiful than that she had seen through the glass door of the rich merchant's house. Thousands of lamps burned on the green boughs, and gay colored images, such as she had seen in the shop windows, looked down on her. The little one stretched out her hand toward them; the match went out. The Christmas lights ascended higher and higher; she ran them as on stairs in the heavens; one of them fell down and made a long fire-track. Now died some one, said the little maiden for her old grandmother, the only one who had ever loved her, and who was now dead, had told her that when a star falls, a soul ascends to God.

Again she struck a match on the wall, again it came bright, and in the splendor stood her old grandmother, so bright, so radiant, so tender and loving.

"Grandmother! I cried the little one, 'take me with you. I know they will part when the match goes out; but then will vanish like the warm furnace, like the beautiful large Christmas tree, like the delicious roast goose!' and she lit the whole bunch of matches for the wish to hold very fast to her grandmother.

And the matches flashed with such splendor that it became lighter than mid-day. The grandmother had never been so beautiful before, so grand. She took the little one up in her arms, and both soared in splendor so high, so high! And up there was no more cold, no hunger, nor pain—the wish was God.

But in the corner, leaning against the wall, sat the poor maiden, in the cold morning hour, with red cheeks and laughing mouth, frozen on the last night of the old year.

The New Year's sun rose on a little corpse. There, stark and cold, sat the child with a bunch of matches, a bunch of which had been lighted. She tried to keep herself warm, and they. Nobody dreamed what beautiful things she had seen, in what splendor she had just entered the Happy New Year with her grandmother.

EP The New York Sunday Times, in view of the news from Sierra Leone, thinks the negroes are not above staving black men when they cannot get missionary.

Substance Justice.

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 16, 1866.

These Liquor Cases.

Through the efforts of State Constable Boynton, between two and three hundred persons in Essex County have been indicted at the present term of the Superior Court for keeping liquor nuisances.

Among this number Lawrence has its full share.

An effort was made to remove all these cases from the State Court to the District Court of the United States, in Boston. An act of Congress passed to counteract the nullification laws of South Carolina, was discovered, some of the provisions of which the counsel for the Liquor Dealer's Association, thought could be made to accomplish this purpose in this County, as it had in several other Counties of the State. Judge Lord, who is holding the Court in Salem, in a very able decision, for which he has been highly complimented by men learned in the law, came to the conclusion that this act of Congress did not apply to these cases, and directed that some twenty or thirty of the parties should be brought in to court, on Wednesday last, and placed upon trial. It had been stated in the Boston papers that these cases had been removed to the United States Court, and of course there was some surprise manifested by those who believed in the "Public Safety Association," that Judge Lord should proceed to try cases no longer in the Superior Court, and even their counsel upon Wednesday morning significantly told the court that they would not be responsible for what would happen in twelve hours if the court should proceed to try these cases.

Notwithstanding the District Attorney nor the Court could see any propriety in repeating the delays and continuances of the last three years, which had supported the dockets of hundreds of other similar cases in this County yet undisposed of. The Judge informed the learned counsel for the accused that the trials must proceed—that the cases could not, in his judgment, be so removed; that if they could be, they had not been served; that the pretended service was no service, and that if it had been and he was wrong in his opinion, and wrong in proceeding with the trials, nothing more dreadful would or could happen than the peaceable discussion and decision of a legal question; that those who thought otherwise entirely misunderstood the genius of our institutions and the operation of our judicial tribunals. The Judge further stated that one proper way for them to proceed, if they chose, was, if the parties should be convicted, to except to his ruling and thus take the opinion of the Supreme Court of this State, upon his right under the circumstances of proceeding with the trials. Upon which the counsel for the liquor dealers stated that the parties sold, of course, and they had no hopes of proving the contrary, and they would consent to a verdict without trial and let the cases stand for sentence until the opinion of the Supreme Court of the State could be taken upon the question of jurisdiction. To this the Court consented, and the parties severally were found guilty, and each put under bonds in the sum of \$1000, to abide the final sentence of the Court, if Judge Lord should be sustained in his views, of which he stated that he had not the slightest doubt.

ST. VALENTINE'S DAY.—The anniversary of the birth, or martyrdom of this gentleman, we hardly know which, was celebrated Wednesday, 14th, in the usual manner, by sending loving, and good and ill-tempered missives. It is a great convenience to bashful young gentlemen, as it gives them a pretence for addressing the nice young woman whom they have admired at a distance. The custom of celebrating such a day originated with the Roman heathen, and when christianity came in vogue, the early fathers finding it impossible to root it out, they wisely adopted it as a Saint's Day, or are said to have done so. Like the elder Weller, they found that a fatal disposition to get married ran in the human family. In those times the names of the eligible young women of the town were put in a box on that day and were drawn like so many prizes in a lottery. St. Valentine in the year 270, had the misfortune to think differently from the Emperor, who promptly removed all chance for disagreement by removing the head of Valentine, thereby saving him the trouble and danger of thinking at all. As St. Valentine was a very good natured gentleman, all letters sent on his anniversary should be of the same character.

THE FENIANS.—The Irish patriots of this city are far from idle, notwithstanding the discouraging quarrel between Col. O'Mahony and Mr. Roberts, Monday eve they were addressed by Mr. O'Reilly, State organizer, at their hall, and on the 20th they will hold a grand meeting at the City Hall, at which the celebrated B. Moran Kiffin, of New York, and others will address the people. The association will hold a Fair on the 24 day of April, the day after Easter Sunday, which will continue one week.

Small-Pox.

Considerable alarm has been created by stories circulated by excitable persons in regard to the number of cases of the small-pox existing in our city, some of them setting the figure as high as five hundred, and the lowest one hundred and fifty. Mayor Armington, who is not of the above named class of alarmists, but who, when necessary, travels about amongst the disease as coolly and unconcerned as though it were the toothache, informs us that upon careful inquiry he can find but about twenty-five cases in the whole city, and neither of them would prove fatal if the patients were properly cared for, a provision which he is using every effort to make. If proper precautions are used there is nothing more to fear from it than from a common influenza. We understand that a physician has passed through some of the mills and vaccinated all of the operatives who would submit to it. As a precautionary measure, His Honor the Mayor, has issued the following order, which has been spread broadcast through the city:

CITY OF LAWRENCE,
Mayor's Office, Feb. 1, 1866.

Whereas, in consequence of several cases of small-pox in the city having been reported at this office, the attention of the inhabitants is called to the following provisions of the statutes of the Commonwealth in relation to vaccination:

SECTION 27. Parents and guardians shall cause their children and wards to be vaccinated before they attain the age of two years, and thereafter whenever the selectmen or Mayor and Aldermen shall, after five years from the last vaccination require it. For every year's neglect the party offending shall forfeit the sum of five dollars.

SECTION 28. The Selectmen and Mayor and Aldermen shall require and enforce the vaccination of all the inhabitants, and whenever in their opinion the public health requires it, the re-vaccination of all the inhabitants who do not prove to their satisfaction that they were lawfully vaccinated on or re-vaccinated within five years. All persons over twenty-one years of age, and under guardship, who neglect to comply with any such requirement, shall forfeit the sum of five dollars.

SECTION 29. Towns shall furnish the means of vaccination to such of their inhabitants as are unable to pay for the same.

The means of vaccination will be furnished by the city to all persons who are unable to pay for the same, on application to the City Clerk's office, City Hall.

Notice should be given at once of every case of the disease, that proper precautions may be taken to prevent the spreading of the infection.

FARDON ARMINGTON, Mayor.

JOHN BILLINGS.—Blamed are they who expect little for they shall not be disappointed. The great majority of the large audience at the City Hall Friday eve, being deluded by the flaming posters, and the puff written by himself and paid for as advertisements in the papers, expected too much, and could not have actually been said to have been blessed. Indeed, to hear the amount of growling this morning, we should be of the opinion that fifteen-twentieths of those present considered themselves decidedly sold.

JOHN BILLINGS, X. J. is a bad imitator of Artemus Ward. He makes many shrewd and funny observations. It is true, though two-thirds of them last night, had previously appeared in print—but for dry, unseasoned humor he is no more to be compared to that genuine wit (Mr. Charles Browne), than a penny dip candle is to the brightest magnesian light. If John has sold this community, as many

POLICE MATTERS.

SATURDAY.—One drunk. Over a dozen...

John Walden was charged with throwing missiles...

The case of Richard Maloney, charged with the same offense...

George Stearns, a bookkeeper, was charged with the same offense...

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CHANGE IN BUSINESS.—Messrs. Kimball & Pillsbury...

Root's PASTICINE—restores the color of the hair.

AMERICAN LIFE DROPS.—How quick their effect!

ERRORS OF YOUTH.—A gentleman who suffered for years from Nervous Debility...

WANT USE ANY OTHER.—The best of the best; the right article; restores gray hair to its natural color...

THE CONFESSIONS AND EXPERIENCE OF AN INVALID.—Published for the benefit and assistance of those who suffer from Nervous Debility...

THE MASON & HAMLIN Cabinet Organs.—The finest and most beautiful of their kind...

ROOT! ROOT! ROOT!—Root's PASTICINE restores the color of the hair...

WASHINGTON'S BIRTH DAY.—The anniversary of the birth of this grand old patriot...

APPOINTMENT.—Mr. George W. Maynard, late a conductor of a freight train...

SUNDAY SERVICES.—Rev. Geo. S. Wether, Pastor.

Rev. J. L. Livermore, of Lexington, will preach in the morning upon the needs and work of the American Unitarian Association...

Rev. Joseph B. Davis will preach forenoon and afternoon.

Rev. J. M. Edge, Pastor, and Rev. Fathers Gallagher and Donnelly.

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Ballard Vale, Mass., Wednesday Evening, December 25th, 1867.

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WITH the return of our Annual Festival, and as a memento of the occasion, we have the pleasure, for the first time, of laying before our friends, in a newspaper form, a collection of original and selected articles, which we trust will be acceptable to all, and whether as possessing attractions of a local nature suitable to form or present residents of our village, or containing subjects of an amusing or instructive kind for others at a distance, we have so endeavored to suit the literary taste of all that we hope the GAZETTE will, at this season, receive a cordial greeting from our visitors, and a hearty welcome from many a household as a cheerful CHRISTMAS VISITOR, and should our efforts upon this occasion meet the approval of those friends we have been so anxious to please, our experience at this time will encourage us with the hope of being able to produce for their acceptance, upon some future occasion, a publication worthy of their approbation, and a credit to our village.

We take the present opportunity of returning our heartfelt thanks of gratitude to those kind friends who have aided us so liberally at this time, and trust that the year to come, the cheerful giver will reward them for their kindness towards us. It says much for the religious fervor and the good will of the community towards our society that, notwithstanding the depressed state of business in our village, so many have come forward with a liberality far surpassing our most sanguine expectations, and to the ruler and disposer of all things we commend them, with the fervent prayer that while the present year closes with uncertainty, that the new year will open with the bright prospect of permanent prosperity, and that our factories will soon echo with the sounds of active industry.

To those who have favored us with advertisements for our paper, we return our sincere thanks, and trust that an increase of orders will be the result. Our thanks are also due to the friends who have favored us with contributions to the literary portion of our paper, and have no doubt our pleasure will also be theirs, while witnessing the satisfactory results of their labors in the approval of our readers.

To one and all we wish a merry Christmas and a happy New Year. A. S. B.

[Written for the "Ballard Vale Gazette" and "Christmas Visitor"]
HISTORY OF OUR VILLAGE.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—Thinking it might be interesting to the numerous patrons of your maiden sheet, I have hastily drawn up a condensed history of the rise and progress of our village, which in so short a space of time, comparatively, has risen to such gigantic proportions.

Where, but a few years ago, nothing existed but a swamp, now rise the lofty spires and towering chimneys which are a distinguishing feature of our village. The busy hum of toll and enterprise, ceasing only with the going down of the sun, and not always then, is heard where the frog and the owl held forth in their native elements, and the whip-rover will give heavenly serenade. The majestic Shawheen rolled on then, as now, through those valleys, but no artificial breastwork obstructed its passage, causing the roar which is so familiar to our ears as not to attract even passing notice. Some are living now, who can remember the only house which stood on the site of this populous village. This house stood very nearly on the site of the Ballard Vale Company's Factory, on the east side of the river, and connected with it was a grist mill of small proportions, which was the resort of the farmers for miles around, who, with a bag or two of corn on their horse's back, (for this was previous to the era of wagons and locomotives) made their way here, through the almost unbroken forest, to obtain that article which was supposed to enter largely into what are rudely termed "Johnny-cakes." And

here, pardon me if I relate a story in connection with the novel manner referred to, of conveying grain to be ground.

A man, whether noted for his wisdom or not you may know as I proceed, had a horse which was not overburdened with adipose matter (vulgarily called "fat") and which would have been none the worse for an *out of two*, and one day starting out with two bags of grain on the horse's back, for the old mill, was met by a neighbor, who said that his horse had too much load. The leader of the horse insisted that he had not, but his neighbor insisting that he had, the driver came to the conclusion that he would relieve his horse of a part of the load, but did not see how it could be done, till all of a sudden a thought struck him; so leading the horse to a place where he could mount, he did so, and placing one bag of grain upon his own shoulders, and leaving the other on the horse's back, he resumed his journey. Without stopping to suggest whether this operation relieved the horse as much as the mind of its humane driver, I will return to my topic.

Perhaps it might be interesting to some to know the origin of the name of our village. The mill and house referred to were owned by a man named Ballard, and from him and the natural situation of the place arose the now justly celebrated Ballard Vale. Truly "tall oaks from little acorns grow."

It may be interesting also, to some, to know the derivation of the name of our noble river, to which source our village owes its very existence. It was the custom when the Indians inhabited our forests, for certain tribes or bands to occupy and claim possession of certain rivers. Thus it was here, a tribe of Indians occupied the banks of this river from its source to its mouth, and it is probable that this very spot was the site of one of their wigwags. Their headquarters were about a mile south of here, and near the farm now owned by Benjamin Burt. All who are accustomed to fish for the finny tribe in that vicinity, are aware of the fact that a species of grass grows there, very rank and tall, and with an exceedingly sharp edge. The Indians, on their fishing and hunting excursions up and down the banks of the river, wearing none of the modern article termed breeches, very frequently made incisions above their ankles, with the grass referred to, and they accordingly termed it *saw-shin*: from which the name now, so loved and honored, Shawheen, was subsequently derived. This may seem to some very singular and even ridiculous, but nevertheless it is authentic.

Following the course of time from this period, houses began to spring up, the Ballard Vale Co's Flannel Mills were constructed, inviting labor, and of course followed by the springing up of more buildings. To this company belongs the honor of making the first piece of all-wool delaine goods ever manufactured in this country.

Then the Boston and Maine Railroad, formerly running east of this place, and with a depot upon it in the same building which is at present occupied by our worthy and esteemed fellow citizen, Dea. Proctor, and his family, was changed so as to run directly through the village. Then followed the erection of the depot, containing the hall in which those inestimable blessings to Ballard Vale, Shawheen Division Sons of Temperance and Good Mission Lodge of Good Templars, since sprung into existence. Next came the Machine Shop and Foundry, and the famous hotel lately designated the "Buddle," and now the "Raynor House." Of the growth of the place since, most of our readers are already familiar. We now have one of the most prosperous and best managed woolen manufactures in this country. We also have one of the most extensive file and steel manufacturing establishments in the world, covering a space of nearly four acres, and capable of giving employment, when the works are in full operation, to about six hundred persons. Connected with these works are Crucible, Fire Brick, and Stone Polish manufactures. The productions of these different departments are not surpassed by any similar establishments in this country, and the company has already a world wide reputation. We also have a Hat Factory (that latter in abundance), six stores, black-

smith, tin and barber shops, one church and two others that are going to be, four religious societies, a Lodge of Good Templars, a Division of Sons of Temperance, a Temple of Honor, and lastly, to our shame and disgrace be it said, three or four rum shops.

But the crowning glory of our village will be the public common, on the top of "Pole Hill," to contain fifty acres, in the centre of which is to be raised a magnificent flag—staff, to bear aloft the emblem of our common country. w. (To be continued in next number.)

BALLARD VALE UNION SOCIETY.

The introductory services of the Ballard Vale Union Society, were held in Union Hall the first Sabbath in April, 1860. Prof. Park officiated on the occasion. From this time till the third Sabbath of September the meetings were conducted by students from the Seminary. On the fourth Sabbath the society invited the Rev. Mr. Greene to a temporary supply. On the last Sabbath of 1864, a church was organized. Immediately after its organization a very acceptable communion service was presented by J. P. Bradley, Esq. Three months later the Rev. Mr. Greene was installed the Pastor. The Sabbath School has, from the first, been upheld with vigor and success. The accessions to the church have been frequent. The people and the church have been in practical sympathy with the various benevolent institutions of the day. We have never failed to have men among us of true worth, and women ever watchful to do good. Our first Festival was held September, 1861, the avails of which were sufficient to provide blinds, improve the pulpit, and procure other conveniences for the place of worship. The ladies have kept up the *Committee* ever since the organization of the society, and have annually held festivals; the proceeds of which have been appropriated to pay rent for the use of the hall, and to meet other necessary expenses of the Gospel. The divine blessing has hitherto rested on this enterprise. Fraternal feeling, brotherly love, and harmonious effort has ever prevailed. Many expressions of christian courtesy have been enjoyed.

The stated ministrations of the gospel have been secured to this people for more than seventeen years without any interruption. The sympathy and favor of the citizens of Andover are gratefully remembered. But we labor under great disadvantage in the want of a meeting house. Our place of worship is in a hall, in which is kept a large school; consequently it has to be constructed every Saturday evening for Sabbath service, and on Monday morning reconstructed for the school. The people desire much a home for the church and society, and they are confident, if this point could be reached that the church would soon become self-sustaining. o.

EDWARD M. SCHNEIDER.

In the Fifty-seventh Massachusetts was a soldier named Edward M. Schneider. When the Regiment was formed he was a student in Phillips Academy, Andover, Mass. From motives of patriotism, against the wishes of friends, he left the literature of the ancients, and the history of the past, to become an actor in the present and to do what he could for future good. He was slightly wounded at the North Anna. The surgeon sent him to Port Royal for transportation to Washington, but of his own accord he returned to his regiment, joining it at Cold Harbor. While preparing for the charge upon the enemy's works, on the 17th of June, he said to the Chaplain:—"I intend to be the first one to enter their breastworks."

The brave young soldier tried to make good his word; leading the charge he was almost there, not quite; almost near enough to feel the hot flash of the rebel musketry in his face, near enough to be covered with sulphurous clouds from the cannon, when he fell, shot through the body. He was carried to the hospital with six hundred and fifty of his division comrades, but lay all night with his wounds unredressed, waiting his turn without a murmur. The Chaplain looked at the wound. "What do you think of it?" Seeing that it was mortal the Chaplain was overcome with emotion; he remonstrated the last injunction of the young soldier's sister:—"I commit him to your care." The young hero interpreted

the meaning of the tears, that there was no hope.

"Do not weep," said he, "it is God's will, I wish you to write to my father, and tell him that I have tried to do my duty to my country and to God. I have a good many friends, schoolmates, and companions; they will want to know where I am,—how I am getting on. You can let them know that I am gone, and that I die content. And, Chaplain, the boys in the Regiment,—I want you to tell them to stand by the dear old Flag! And there is my brother in the Navy; write to him and tell him to stand by the flag, and cling to the cross of Christ."

The surgeon examined the wound. "It is my duty to tell you that you will soon go home," said he. "Yes, doctor," I am going home. I am not afraid to die. I don't know how dark the valley will be when I get to it, but it is all bright now." Then gathering up his waning strength, he repeated the verse often sung by the soldiers, who, amid all the whirl and excitement of the camp and battle field, never forget those whom they have left behind them,—mother, sister, father, brother. Calmly, clearly, distinctly, he repeated the lines, the chorus of the song:—

Soon with angels I'll be marching,
With bright laurels on my brow,
I have for my country fallen,
Who will care for sister now?

The night wore away. Death stole on. He suffered intense pain, but not a murmur escaped his lips. Sabbath morning dawned, and with the coming of the light he passed away.

"I die content," said Wolfe, at Quebec, when told that the French were fleeing.

"Stand up for Jesus," said Dudley Tracy, in his last hours, words which have warmed and moved thousands of Christian hearts.

"Let me die with my face to the enemy," was the last request of General Klee, christian, soldier, and patriot, at Spotsylvania; but equally worthy of remembrance are the words of Edward M. Schneider,—boy, student, youthful leader of the desperate charge at Petersburg.

His grave is near the roadside, marked by a rude paling. The summer breeze sweeps through the sighing pines above the heave-up mound. His was a short soldier's life, extending only from the peaceful shades of Andover to the entrenchments of Petersburg; but oh, how full. Had he lived a century he could not have completed it more thoroughly or faithfully.

I have stood by the honored dust, of those whose names are great in history, whose deeds and virtues are commemorated in brass and marble, who were venerated while living, and mourned when dead, but never have I felt a profounder reverence for departed worth than for this young christian soldier, unconfined, unshrouded, wrapped only in his blanket, and sleeping serenely beneath the overgreen pines.

His last words—the messages to his comrades, to his father and his brother,—are worthy to live so long as the flag of our country shall wave, or the cross of Christ endure.—Carleton's *Four Years of Fighting*.

Our Temperance Organizations.

MESSRS. EDITORS.—Thinking that a brief sketch of the rise and progress of two societies, which have conferred such rich blessings, and been instrumental in bringing, by the blessing of God, peace and happiness to so many families of our village, might interest a portion, at least, of your readers, I have hastily sketched the following:—

In the Fall of 1863, the population of the Vale had reached the highest number ever residing in it, a census taken that year showing 1225 inhabitants. A very large sum was disbursed monthly from the manufactories here, reaching nearly, or quite, \$40,000 per month. As a natural consequence men who came here, and others who resided here, and who would sell their souls for gain, opened dram-shops one after another, till some eight or ten, and perhaps more, were daily dealing out their vile decoctions, till some of the good people finally became aroused, as the tide of intemperance growing stronger and stronger, seemed likely to overwhelm everything that was good, and convert the village into a pandemonium. A few persons met at the Depot Hall at the request of the worthy Post Master, and resolved to

form a Division of the Sons of Temperance, an Order which has been instrumental in taking thousands from the mire and filth of intemperance and placing them where they should be as becomes those formed in the very image of God. Accordingly on the evening of Dec. 10th 1863 the Division was organized, and named Shawheen, from the goodly stream which waters our village.

The number of charter members was 32, and the first presiding officer was Mr. W. G. Waters, who was succeeded by Mr. N. M. Macomber. The membership of the Division rapidly increased, till at one time over two hundred persons had embraced the principles of total abstinence and become shining lights in their families and the community. Some of the most inveterate drinkers threw off the shackles of thralldom which bound them to King Alcohol, and have, to this day sacredly kept their solemn covenant, and have become freemen indeed. Time and space will not permit a detailed account of the doings of this organization, but many will remember and bless the day that it sprung into existence. The following persons in the order named, have severally filled the office of W. P. with much credit to themselves, and profit to the division:—

W. G. Waters, N. M. Macomber, A. J. Dearborn, W. F. Lacout, Frank Banks, John E. Farnham, Jas. R. Murray, J. W. Dearborn, S. W. Blunt, A. S. Biggar, Rev. John S. Day, David Priest, Walter Murray, Matthew Winton, Robert Murray, Thos. Hutchinson.

The Division meets on Wednesday evenings at Temperance Hall, and members of the Order are cordially invited to visit them, and those who yet remain outside of its walls, and especially those who may be addicted to the intoxicating cup, are earnestly urged to cast in their lot and help to drive intemperance from the land.

At the time alluded to, when the membership of the Division had reached two hundred, there seemed for various reasons to be a demand for another temperance organization, the smallness of the Hall of meeting being one, and a desire on the part of some to take another step, and be initiated into the mysteries of the Order of Good Templars, but perhaps the greatest reason was the fact that this Order placed both sexes on the same footing in the temperance family. Accordingly 33 persons petitioned for a charter, and on the evening of June 25th 1865, they were organized into a Lodge. From the formation of the Lodge till now, the membership has constantly increased till 140 members in good standing are enrolled under the banner of Faith, Hope, Charity, and its star is still in the ascendant. The meetings of the Lodge were never of more interest than now, and being characterized by a high moral tone no one can fail to be benefited who comes within the pale of its influence. This is but one branch of an Order, which in this State has 250 Lodges, and a membership of more than 25,000, and constantly increasing. Its motto is "Total Abstinence," and "Prohibition," and on this line it is determined to fight it out. Members of the Order are cordially invited to meet with the Lodge at their Hall, the same occupied by the Division on any Monday evening, the meetings commencing at 7 1/2 o'clock. To those who have not passed within the mystic circle, a most hearty invitation is extended, and rest assured that all will receive a brother's hand and sister's welcome. The following W. C. T. U. have presided over the Lodge since its organization:—

S. W. Blunt, W. H. B. Woodlin, Frank Banks, N. M. Macomber, Jas. R. Murray, George Byram, J. C. Buswell, F. G. Haynes, Rev. John S. Day, Henry S. Foster, Homer Foster.

Very recently a "Temple of Honor" has been located here. We know nothing of its mysteries, but welcome it as a co-laborer in this grand reform. w.

BALLARD VALE AND ITS SUBURBS.

WASHINGTON JONES—HIS COMPOSITION.

Ballard Vale is in the state of Massachusetts, near Abbott's Village. It is the largest place of its size except the Tewksbury Almshouse anywhere near it. It is mostly built of wooden houses, except the barns, which has got the paint rubbed off, from which it is called Ballard Vale. The depot is in the centre of the village, and is used principally to let the cars run past it. The post

office is in the depot, so that the folks in the cars can see what the postmaster's name is, which is Blunt. The principal places of amusement are the Hat Factory Hall, the Base Ball Club, and the Perch Dam. The hall is used principally by the temperance folks to speak pieces in, the Base Ball Club to getting beat, and the Perch Dam to swim in. The principal mountain is Pole Hill, so called because a man from Poland lives near it. The largest body of water in the place is Foster's pond, which is in Wilmington. The largest river is the Shawheen, which rises back of Ben Bara, and running under all the bridges that are built over it, empties into the saw-mill at Abbott's Village. The principal occupation of its inhabitants is pitching coppers and loading round the depot. Its mineral productions are coal, which comes in the cars, and mineral water, which comes in bottles. Its agricultural productions are files and flannel. Its support is Tewksbury wharf.

Andover, on the north, is a large town, and is principally noted for its place where teaching is taught. The principal occupation of its inhabitants is selling peanuts to the Academy boys.

Wilmington, on the south, is noted for its butchers and crackers, and is connected with it by a silver-maned horse, which knows the way alone.

Tewksbury, on the west is the place where the State Almshouse lives.

THE SEXES AND AMUSEMENTS.

It may be laid down as a general rule that amusements which separate the sexes are dangerous. I would not press the truth too narrowly and literally; but undoubtedly it is a general truth that where women seek their amusements in one way by themselves, and men seek theirs in another way by themselves, there is in both ways a tendency to degeneration and temptation. God meant that man and woman should live together, work together, and in all the functions of life—civil, social, religious, artistic, and intellectual—co-operate with each other; and their mutual relations are harmonizing and balancing, and nowhere else more than in the seeking and prosecution of amusements. I believe that boys and girls should go to school together. As they sit together in the household, so I think they should sit together in our temples of learning. Colleges should not be for all men or for all women, but the same buildings and the same professors should be provided for both in common. And as it is in everything else, so it should be in amusements. There is much greater liability to temptation and immorality where amusement is sought in the isolation or separation of the sexes.

Therefore, all exhibitions of pictures and statues, all provisions for public recreation, all institutions for public amusements, should be such as to enable the people to grow up in groups and families.

I do not think amusements can be good generally, in a community in which a man is ashamed to take his whole family to them. If there is anything you would not like your wife and children to participate in with you, the presumption is that it is wrong; and if there is anything you would like them to participate in with you, the presumption is that it is right. And this might be made a rule of judgment far more widely than it now is.—H. W. Beecher.

THE STILL SMALL VOICE.

A young man who carried a collecting plate after the service, before starting, put his hand in his pocket, and put, as he supposed, a shilling in the plate, and then passed it round among the congregation, which included many young and pretty girls. The girls as they looked at the plate, all seemed astonished and amused; and the man, taking a glance at the plate, found that instead of a shilling, he had put a conversation lozenge on the plate, with the words, "Will you marry me?" in red letters, staring everybody in the face.

There is lasting significance in that vision of the Hebrew prophet, wherein God came, not in the whirlwind of the earthquake, but in the still, small voice. Its truth comes home to us in the busy life of to-day as it fell on the soul of that Hebrew in the quietude of the Orient.

It is not in the whirlwind of some great excitement, not in the earthquake of some mighty upheaval, but in the still waiting of the soul for truth, that we hear the Divine Voice. Once heard and reverently listened to, it makes us strong when the whirlwinds come, firm amid the earthquake's shock, while Church and State may reel and totter, steadfast for the right and serene amid wildest commotions.

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CHRISTMAS VISITOR.

Answers to Correspondents.

PETER O. LEWIS.—The popular notion that Columbus was an Italian, and originally came to this country to follow the lucrative occupation of a performer upon a perambulating organ, is erroneous.

A. P. NUTT.—The Executioner of Venice, now being published from the New York Ledger, is from the pen of W. Shakespeare.

DEXTER.—The age of a horse depends greatly upon how old it is.

Q. RICHMOND.—You are mistaken in supposing that the Great Eastern might have discharged her cargo at any of the wharves in Ballard Vale.

L. O. B.—In answer to your question whether Felix of the Vale, was named after the Roman Governor of that name, we reply: Certainly; he was not named before.

VERDANE.—In reply to your statement that the squirrels always eat the outside row in your corn-field, and your question how to prevent it, we would say: either kill your squirrels, or have no outside row.

POET.—The beautiful lines you allude to, are from Virgil, we think:

AN UNFORTUNATE.—We know of no remedy for your red nose. It is a solemn question. Perhaps it is tight lacing.

GEOLOGIST.—We are ignorant of the geology of the Shawheen, and have only heard one case of a Mastodon being found upon its banks, but we are privately of opinion that it is the remains of a faithful war charger of a Canadian nobleman, who had it interred on the banks of the stream.

MUSICIAN.—It is said that the author of Dalay Deane has gone into the Root & Candy business, and is engaged in the preparation of the much celebrated "Song Lozenge."

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TROTTER.—You are laboring under a great mistake. The red horse with white mane you have seen riding its way through River Street, with such majestic strides, is not Dexter, or Kentucky; but the no less famous "Ranger," who evidently has all the good qualities of those two celebrated horses combined.

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Our Grab-Bag.

HISTORY OF ARTEMUS WARD BY HIMSELF.—I was born in the state of Maine, of parents. As an infant I attracted a good deal of attention.

I have always sustained a good moral character. I never was a railroad director in my life.

Although in early life I did not invariably continue myself to truth in my small bills, I have been gradually grown respectable and respectable every year.

My temper is bilious, altho' I don't owe a dollar in the world.

I am an early riser; but my wife is a Presbyterian. I may add that I am also bald-headed. I keep two cows.

I live in Baldwinville, Illinois. My next door neighbor is Old Steve Billings. I'll tell you a little story about Old Steve that will make you laugh.

I am 56 (56) years of age. The old Sixton gathers them in—he gathers them in! I keep a pig this year.

If you should give my portrait in connection with my Bogfry, please have me engraved in a languishing attitude, leaning on a marble pillar, leaving my back hair as it is now. Truly yours,

ARTHEMUS WAIRD.

A QUESTION ANSWERED.—Somebody—a woman of course—quires why, when Eve was manufactured from a spare rib, a servant wasn't made at the same time to wait on her.

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Poetry.

THE OLD YEAR. BY JAMES H. MURRAY.

That be the song that we raise to the sky, Let us be happy in our friends, to-night.

NEARLY HOME. Nearly Home! We have folded our hands, Have finished our work in the world.

NEARLY HOME. In the quietest watches, Rings in my ears the heavenly music.

NEARLY HOME. From a land of strangers, Nearly Home! To a land of prayer.

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FINANCIAL STATEMENT OF THE MERRIMACK MUTUAL FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, for the six months ending October 1, 1867.

Whole amount now invested, \$4,745,185 00 Increase in amount last six months, 253,777 00

TABLE OF BIBLE WEIGHTS AND MEASURES. A table of money, weights and measures mentioned in the Scriptures.

Roman Currency mentioned in New Testament: A Mite, 0 1-3 ct. A Penny, 1 ct.

Scripture Liquid Measure: A Seah, 8 qts. 1 pt. An Ephah, 24 qt. 2 pt.

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Of what Revolutionary name can our village boast? Ans.—Stark.

Why is a certain man in the Vale, near the mill, like King David's son Esau? Ans.—Because he is a hairy son.

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What is the resemblance between the two celebrated firms, Joseph "Gillott" and the Ballard Vale Company? Ans.—They are both great makers of Pens.

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Why can our village boast of good pedestriars? Ans.—Because we have some smart walkers!

When our people wish to get shaved, where can they go? Ans.—To the Barber, of course.

Why is our village a good agricultural-district? Ans.—Because we have well tilled fields, and raise excellent Beans.

When the operator in the Woolen Mills are dissatisfied, what exclamation can they use? Ans.—Pshaw (Shaw), what did you do that for?

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Why has a faithful expressman his business up Brown? Ans.—Because he always does his business up Brown.

What may another firm of our merchants be called? Ans.—The Birds of the Vale.

The head clerk of the Whipple File Co. is rather small in stature; why may he look for an increase in this respect? Ans.—Because he is every day a little bigger (Bigger).

way-faring traveller called, and wished for a bite of cold vittles.

While he was eating, (Sam happened to be in the room,) he asked the man if he would not like some elder with his cold meat.

Now as elder in those days was not contraband, the man replied that he should like some, but he could not afford it.

He then took from his pocket a silver pistareen, and gave it to the man. Reader, do not doubt my story, they had silver money in those days.

And the man departed. Sam then went into the kitchen and enquired of his mother what it was worth to pick those bones.

A quarter of a dollar, said she. O then, said "Sam," I have made quite a bargain, for I have got it done for twenty cents, and a half mug of elder. O "Sammy" you will ruin us, you are such a rake. O no mother, you are mistaken, you and father are the raks, I am the fork, to spread it.

Brother, religion is not a jumble of principles thrown together without system, order, affinity, and completion; they form a complete zone to enclose you round about.

Let us be men with men, and always children before God; for in His eyes we are but children. Old age itself, in presence of eternity, is but the first moment of a morning.

This life is but the cradle of the other. What avail then sickness, time, old age, death,—different degrees of a metaphorical which doubtless has here below only its beginning?

We should speak to men of destruction only to make them think of dura bon, and of death only to make them think of life; for death runs into life, and destruction precipitates itself into duration.

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SCRIPTURAL ENIGMA.
I am composed of 33 letters.
My 27, 11, 17, 4, 9 was one of Christ's Apostles.
My 5, 23, 12, 26, 12, was a leader of the Israelites.
My 15, 20, 1, 21, was a prophet who saw the army of Sennacherib.
My 14, 2, 9, 30, 6, 12, 19, 16, was a famous pool.
My 22, 28, 3, 31, 29, 18, 21, is one of the books of the New Testament.
My 10, 22, 8, 20, 6, was a noted rock mentioned in the Bible.
My 27, 16, 32, 5, 33, 1, 20, was a city built by Solomon.
My whole is one of the ten commandments.
[Answer in next number.]

LIFE.
An infant on its mother's breast,
An eager boy at play,
A youth by its victim's side caressed,
A stalwart man with care oppressed,
An old man silver grey,
Is all of life we know;
A joy, a fear,
A smile, a tear,
And all is o'er below.

ANSWERING ONE QUESTION BY ANOTHER.—When skeptics tauntingly ask why so many more women than men become members of the church, they may find it hard to answer why so many more than women crowd our prisons and penitentiaries.

A LADY AQUAINTANCE. when she goes shopping says, that if the article is good, won't fade, is warranted, gets good measure, and she wants it, and can't get it for any less, she always buys, without jabbering about it all day.

DEATH comes to a good man to relieve him; it comes to a bad one to relieve society.

MARRIAGES.
PRICE-BINGHAM—Nov. 25th, by Rev. Rev. B. Babbit, Mr. Edwin Price, Jr., of Lowell, to Miss Anna E. Bingham, of Ballard Vale.
HAYWARD-DOWNING—In Ballard Vale, Dec. 15th, by Rev. Mr. Greene, Mr. Charles W. Hayward to Miss Eliza N. Downing, both of Andover.
HAYNES-FLETCHER—In Sanbornton Bridge N. H. Nov. 21st, by Rev. Mr. Herrick, Mr. Felix G. Haynes, of Ballard Vale, to Miss Ada, eldest daughter of John Fletcher, Esq., of S. B.
We congratulate our young friends, who have taken upon themselves their matrimonial vows, and embarked upon the matrimonial voyage. May their paths be strewn with choicest flowers, and as perhaps new duties and responsibilities may in time make their appearance, may they together share them, and reap the richest fruits of this earthly life and the far richer fruits of the life to come. [RHS.]

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ON
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PROGRAMME.

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INSTRUMENTAL.

2. CHORUS,—Village Bells, STARKWEATHER
By a Choir of 90 Young Ladies.

3. RECITATION,—William Tell's Apostrophe to Liberty.
FRED FOSTER.

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J. H. PROCTOR.

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BY THE CHOIR.

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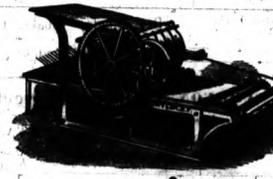
7. SONG,—Come in and Shut the Door, EMERSON
Miss NELLIE MURRAY.

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Correspondence.

DEAR MOTHER:—I arrived here last night; the train was behind time; so the conductor said, and I guess he ought to know; he was a great big man; he sat with me part of the time; said it was a very cold night. He put lots of wood in the stove, as much as I could saw in one day, and pile it up; I wish he had waited till we got to the Vale. You told me not to change seats when the cars were going, for fear I would get run over; I wish the stove had been at the other end of the car; it was so near I could put my foot on it; a big boy with kid gloves on, and a large Boston pin, threw some nut shells on the stove, which made a very bad smell, just like leather, burning. The conductor said I was a very little boy to go alone so far away; I told him I belonged to a Base Ball Club; a big fat man in front quipped, and said something about a staver, I guess he meant the fire. He tried to turn round, but the seat was too little; he had a white hat on. You told me to look out for men who had grindstones to turn; he looked just like a grindstone man; I guess he carried it under his vest. I was going to put my foot on the stove, when the man in front gave a sneeze, which made me jump off the seat; it didn't scare me much; I thought the cars had run off the track, but it was all right, for very soon the conductor sang out, "Wilmington Junction." I looked out of the window, but did not see anything but a man with a tin pall; I guess he was an artist going home to his supper. It must be a big place, for the conductor said, "Passengers for Lowell and Tewksbury stop here." All the folks at the other end got out; one woman had a baby with no hat on; 'twas the littlest baby I ever saw. There was one man who was scarcely able to walk; I thought my boot was burning, but it didn't smell a bit like leather. He had the reddest face that I ever saw; some dirt was on his coat; I guess he had fallen down somewhere. The conductor said the next place would be the Vale, that I must be careful in getting out. When I reached the platform I thought surely I had stopped at the wrong place, there were so many people round the depot; one man who smoked a pipe, got on the train, then jumped off to kiss somebody, when all at once the express came whizzing past on the side track; I was just getting across, when a man gave me such a jerk by the collar that I thought I was on the cowcatcher, until he asked me if I wanted to be run over, then I knew I was safe. I guess they say there all the time to keep folks from being killed; one boy got on the car, and looked in at the window; I guess he was looking for his mother, but he jumped off when they got going pretty fast; the boys don't do this all the time. One boy with a sore foot came up, and said, "Hello Jim! when did you come down? Lead us your kids till I catch a frog." It's a real easy place to get acquainted. He wanted to borrow my two-bladed knife; Uncle Jenkins, who was on the lookout for me, came over just when I was feeling for it, so I went with him. He lives in a big house with a fence in front; the pump is at the back door. He soon built the fire and got the kettle boiling. Cousin Lucy put the baby in the wood-box while she set the table; then we had supper. I didn't see Aunt till this morning; she was at the sewing circle; she went to see Widow Gray about that pudding; Mrs. Bedlam said that she knew very well that she used French brandy for flavoring, and don't you think, she belongs to the Division; besides she wore a new cascade with six rows of studding, and trimming on, that cost two dollars a yard in Boston. Aunt went to see her about the pudding, this forenoon; had her attention so taken up with Mrs. Flurry's new bonnet that the pudding went entirely out of her mind. Uncle don't keep any goats; most of them here, have four legs. I went down to the store this forenoon; a boy with a fish-pole, asked me to lend him ten cents till he sold his fish; he said it was cloudy, and they'd bite first rate. He had no shoes on, but he had a red head. The boys here know a good deal; when the bell rings they run right home to dinner. Aunt said she would go to the Festival to-night, but there wouldn't be anybody there, besides, she only had seven rows of velvet round her dress, and she had not time to put on only three more; then Joe Woodpecker's wife would be there with her pea green silk that she turned last spring; it was a shame.—she never had anything to wear. Aunt cried a little, then took the baby across the street to Bill Peep's wife, to see if it was really true that Malinda Flirt was seen talking to Sam Blink at the depot the other night; what was the Vale coming to; if Uncle Jenkins could only get as good wages in some other place she would not stay another day. I got acquainted with lots of boys to-day. I had to sit in my stocking feet while Smith mended my boots. I got my knife sharpened on his whet stone. Uncle said I might go to the Festival to-night; he said they could beat all creation on festivals, they were as much as fifty years ahead of everything else in the festival business; he'd rather lose a month's wages, or the best turkey dinner you could scare up, than miss going. All the Wilmington, Hackett's Pond, and Tewksbury folks would be there; the Andover folks couldn't stay away, because the fat man was coming, and every body went where he did, I forgot to say that the fat man lived in Andover. Bill Stripe has got some gray rabbits; he says he sells them for fifty cents, but he'd let me have one for twenty. I met the boy with no shoes on; he said he hadn't been fishing yet, he had to be at the depot when the train came in; I guess the folks in the cars would feel bad if they did not see him every day; he says he'll pay me next week when he gets his back pay. I bought some peanuts at Morrison's; he don't give many for a cent. Send my mittens by Brown's Express; I sent mine to a boy with a sore thumb; he couldn't go to the Festival, he hadn't any sleeve-buttons. There's a good blacksmith's shop here, and a place where they make files, also two mills where they make flannel for the Freedmen, who don't have anywhere to go to. There's two engine companies here, but I don't know where they live. A man, named Vic, does all the teaming; they say he feeds his horses on tea chests, but I don't believe it. Uncle bought a new saw-horse to-day; he says I can leave the knotty pieces. I guess I'll come home next week. I'll write again and tell you all about the Festival.

Yours affectionately,

JAMES FREDRICK.

P. S. Aunt's baby has got three front teeth.

J. F.

Religious.

PROPHET FULFILLED.—REV. J. L. PORTER, an English scholar, who has travelled extensively over Bible lands, says, as the result of years of study and travel, and of a calm and thorough comparison on the spot of the prophecies of Scripture regarding Palestine with their fulfillment, that "were the same holy men now inspired by the same Divine Spirit to describe the actual state of Palestine, they could not possibly select language more appropriate or more graphic than that found in their own predictions, written thousands of years ago. My examination extended over all Palestine, and over most other Bible lands; and now I thank God that, with the fullest and deepest conviction—a conviction that all the ingenuity of modern criticism, and all the plausibility of modern scientific criticism can never overthrow, could never shake—I can take up and re-echo the grand, the cheering statement of our blessed Lord, and proclaim my belief before the world, that all heaven and earth pass, one jot or one tittle shall in no wise pass from the law till all be fulfilled."

THE WRATH OF MAN PRAISING GOD.—It shows how this truth is confirmed in the issues of the great wars and revolutions of the last seventeen years. The wars that followed the revolution of 1848 planted constitutional government in Sardinia, and opened the door to the Bible in Piedmont. The Crimean war of 1854, resulted in the Sultan's decree of religious liberty. The mutiny in India, in 1857, was followed by Queen Victoria's proclamation of Christianity as the religion of that empire. The war in China ended the isolation it had maintained for centuries, and opened it to the Bible and the mission. The Italian war, in 1859, opened the whole peninsula, excepting the Papal States, to the circulation of the Scriptures and the preaching of the gospel. The civil war in the United States resulted in the abolition of slavery. The short but decisive war between Prussia and Austria overthrew the strongest bulwark of the papacy, and turned the balance of political power in Germany in favor of Protestantism.

LETTER OF PUBLIUS LENTULUS TO THE SENATE OF ROME.—It being the usual custom of Royal Governors to advertise the senate and people of such material things as happened in their provinces in the days of the Emperor Tiberius Cæsar, Publius Lentulus, President of India, wrote the following epistle to the senate, concerning our Saviour:—"There appeared in these, our days, a man of great virtue, named Jesus Christ, who is yet living amongst us; and of the people is accepted as a prophet; but his own disciples call him the Son of God. He raiseth the dead, and cureth all manner of diseases; a man of stature, somewhat tall, comely, with a very reverend countenance, such as the beholder may well love and fear. His hair, of the color of a chestnut fully ripe, and plain to his ears, but thence downward it is more orient, curving and waving about his shoulders; in the midst of his head is the seam or partition of his hair; after the manner of the Nazarites; his forehead plain and very delicate; his face without spot or wrinkle, beautiful with a lovely red; his nose and mouth so formed as nothing can be reprehended; his beard, thick, is in color like the hair of his head, not very long, but forked; his look innocent and matured; his eyes gray, clear and quick; in reproving he is terrible; in admonishing courteous and fair spoken; pleasant in conversation, mixed with gravity. It cannot be remembered that any have seen him laugh; but many have seen him weep. In proportion to body most exact; his hands and arms are delectable to behold; in speaking very beneficent, modest and wise; a man for his singular beauty surpassing the children of men."

The trimmer to popularity is a traitor to God. His presence destroys unity and zeal of action.

In the spirit of the Christian there is a perpetual spring tide, and in the wintry valleys he hears the ripple of ever-flowing streams.

WEEKLY NEWS SUMMARY.

SATURDAY.—Liquor is furnished the Connecticut Legislature as a sedition. A soldier was buried alive in Illinois recently. In his struggles to get out of the coffin, when coming to be aroused, he was dug up, but too late to save him.—Athens Hall, Concord, N. H., was burned up yesterday.—The funeral of the late Bishop John B. Fitzpatrick of Boston, took place yesterday forenoon. It was a grand and imposing ceremony. The societies in the profession alone numbered one thousand men. The Governor, Mayor, and other distinguished gentlemen, including leading Protestant clergymen and eighty Catholic priests, were present at the services. The bells of the city were tolled for half an hour at noon.—The U. S. kidnapping bill provides for the forfeiture of any vessel carrying slaves from this country to Cuba.—Edwin Lawrence, formerly Register of Probate in this county, has been sent to the State Prison in New Hampshire for three years, for forgery.—Morph persons have been poisoned by pork in the West.—The California Senate has refused to repeal the specie contract law. The Union Legislative caucus had voted for repeal by a large majority.—Gold 137 1/2.

MONDAY.—It is rumored that Tampico has been captured by the Mexicans. An Imperial train valued at \$500,000, was recently captured by them.—The Speaker of the Tennessee Legislative House, threw his gavel at the head of a member, on Friday, as a kind of knock-down argument. The latter drew a pistol.—Gen. Grant will suppress several Southern papers.—The patrol of Richmond carry shears and cut off the rebel army buttons worn in the streets.—Two Spanish frigates have arrived in New York, to refit. It is supposed that they are to cruise for Chilian privateers.—A new corps of volunteers for Maximilian is being organized in Austria; violation of neutrality.—Another steamer has left England for Peru; it was built by the Lairds, who will construct them for any power that has the wherewithal.—The Dublin police refuse to allow fares for the benefit of the families of the Fenian prisoners.—Gen. Lee has been before the reconstruction Committee. He was coolly received, and said as little as possible.—The war in New Zealand between the British and the natives, continues. The former have hanged sixteen of their prisoners.—The moving ice in New York Harbor, is doing much damage. Mr. Fenby, of this county has given to the poor of London \$1,250,000; it is the most magnificent charity on record.—Letters from Mexico assure that over 10,000 Mexicans have been murdered since September, by order of Imperial Genl. Martini.—Kilkenny and a portion of three other counties in Ireland are under a sort of martial law.—French troops have arrived at Havana on their way from Mexico to France.—The Fenians, 20,000 strong, will parade under Col. O'Mahony, March 17th.—Gold 137 1/2.

TUESDAY.—It is stated that there was a bargain between France and Austria that the troops of the former should be withdrawn from Mexico, and the latter should furnish 100,000 men to Maximilian. France to furnish transportation and supplies.—Congress is asked by merchants of Boston and New York to present \$192,000 to the officers and crew of the Kearsarge.—Five persons were poisoned in Philadelphia by eating pork, a few days since.—It is said that many of the stories about the murder of Northern men at the South are humbugs, and are started for political effect.—The colored troops and the police have had a fight in Charleston, S. C.—The President has vetoed the Freedmen's Bureau Bill, on the ground of unconstitutionality. His message was received with applause and hisses.—The steaming mill at Franklin, N. H., was burned Sunday night, loss \$1,000.—There is a fair prospect that the Massachusetts liquor law will be sustained by the Supreme Court.—The President does not approve of the order to suppress the Richmond Examiner, and Gen. Grant has revoked it. The veto of the Freedmen's Bill has created much bitterness. The President was serenaded by the democrats in the evening, but did not appear.—Gold 137 1/2.

WEDNESDAY.—The democrats fired salutes at several points yesterday in honor of Andrew Johnson.—The Senate refused to pass the Freedmen's Bill over the veto of the President; ayes 30, noes 18. Two thirds (32) were required. Six of the 18 were republicans, and twelve democrats.—The House, after six hours' filibustering, (making bogus motions, and having the vote called on them by ayes and noes), passed by a vote of 119 to 49, a joint resolution declaring that no Southern members should be admitted until Congress should decide.—At Willard's Hotel a toast was publicly drank as follows: "The three chief Americans, Jefferson Davis, Andrew Johnson, and Robert E. Lee."—The U. S. officers at Utah who are polygamists, have been removed.—B. Doran Killian has threatened vengeance on Canada in a note to Fremont, if the arrangements are permitted to disturb the Catholics. A big fight is expected on the 17th of March.—Two hundred men on their way to Montana from Nevada, are supposed to have perished in the snow.

THURSDAY.—Napoleon is accused by Secretary Seward of telling a fib when he says he invited the United States to join in the war against Mexico.—The California mail arrived Wednesday.—Gen. Howard, of the Freedmen's Bureau is of the opinion that the Freedmen's Bill will be modified, and that the President will then sign it.—The Massachusetts liquor cases will be argued in the U. S. Supreme Court on Monday.—The democratic members of the Ohio Legislature, in caucus, endorsed the President's veto.—The Legislature of Tennessee is in confusion and almost disorganized.—In Tennessee a Mr. Hughes and Dr. Fuller, both of the rebel conspiracy, were waited upon one night recently by parties who had insulted and injured by them. Hughes sent out his rebel army coat, and it was blown in pieces with musketry.—Dr. Fuller, who solicited and obtained the office of executioner of a Tennessee Union soldier when the rebels had convicted of treason, was cut in pieces with bowie knives, by the

friends of the man.—Queen Victoria has at last appeared in public, but very melancholy, her husband only having been deceased three or four years.—The U. S. House joint resolution refusing to admit Southern representatives, was laid over until Friday in the Senate.—A bill has been introduced to sell the gold and silver mining lands of the United States. Notice have previously been disposed of by the government.—Official corruptions at the South have been investigated, and the government found to have been defrauded of \$10,000,000 in a single year.—In the Massachusetts House, resolutions were yesterday introduced regretting the vote of the President. Resolutions approving of the President, were introduced by the democrats, and voted down, 90 to 18.—The Union men of the Maine Legislature, in caucus, disapproved of the veto.—Gold 137 1/2.

FRIDAY.—With the exception of Smith of Kentucky, none but democrats spoke at the great mass meeting to sustain the President, held yesterday in Washington. The meeting adjourned to the front of the President's house, where he addressed them for an hour, styling Sumner, Stevens and Phillips, traitors.—The President spoke at the annual meeting of the Washington Monument Association, declaring that he should be guided by the principles in the Farewell Address.—Fishermen in the United States are cautioned against fishing on the shores of the Province after March 17th.—At the great Johnson meeting in New York, yesterday, Mr. Seward repudiated the idea that there was any serious difference between the President and the Republican party. It was only a difference between pilots as to how to conduct the ship of State to the inside of some trifling reefs into a safe harbor. The situation was greatly magnified. He agreed with the President in denouncing territorial governments for the States late in rebellion.—The portrait of Washington has been taken from the five cent centurion and that of an understrapper of the Treasury Department substituted.—The Fenian movement in America, and the aid they receive, is being discussed in the British Commons. One man charged Mr. Seward with being the real head centre.—The cattle plague is the chief topic in the British Parliament.—The Dublin police have unearthed an extensive Fenian ammunition factory.—Austria and Prussia are quarrelling over the duchies which they stole from Denmark.—Gold 137 1/2.

THE CELEBRATION OF THE 22d.

There could not well have been a finer day for the celebration of the birthday of the Father of his Country than yesterday. The sun shone brightly, the air was pure and clear, and the temperature of a spring-like character. Owing to a change in the arrangement no salute was fired in the morning, but the bells, large and small, throughout the city, pealed out their merry welcome to the day for half an hour. The City Hall bell was rung with so much energy that the tongue was broken off, and it could not be used again until noon, when it was made up for lost time. All the other bells were also rung at noon and at sunset.

THE LIGHT BATTERY.

At a little before noon the 4th Light Battery (the Bonney Co.), commanded by Capt. Henry McIntire came upon the Common. The four twelve-pounders were placed in position, and precisely at twelve they commenced thundering. One hundred guns were fired in a very soldier-like manner, those engaged in handling the pieces having done the same thing when rebel shot and shell were hissing and screaming about them in clouds. The battery consists of the four twelve-pounders, with their carriages, and four caisson wagons, and four horses are required for each piece and each wagon.—The cannon alone, without their carriage, weigh over twelve hundred pounds each. They were cast by the Bevere Copper Company in Boston, and are styled the Napoleon gun, from the fact that such pieces were first used by him in the Italian war. Thirteen large boxes were received with the pieces, containing harness, saddles, &c. The battery, and all the equipments are entirely new. In addition to the 32 horses required for the pieces, there will be needed at a parade, horses for the Captain and four lieutenants, six sergeants, two buglers, two artificers, and one guidon bearer, making 48 in all. The company give another of their agreeable assemblies at their armory this evening.

THE BALL OF THE PACIFIC.

The festivities of the day were concluded by the grand ball of the Pacific Steam Fire Engine Company, which was by far the most brilliant affair of the kind that has been witnessed in the City Hall for years.—About one hundred and fifty couples were present, and one hundred more tickets could have been sold had the managers seen fit. Over one hundred persons were in the gallery by addition. The ball was a success in every way and was very creditable to the managers.

NEW FREIGHT AGENT.—The position of general Freight Agent of the Boston and Maine Railroad, made vacant by the resignation of Mr. Merriam, has been filled by the appointment of Mr. JOHN B. GILLET, who is well-known to shippers by this line, as for many years the gentlemanly freight clerk in the Boston office, and whose uniform courtesy heretofore, are certainly indicative of correct efforts to ensure the prompt and satisfactory conduct of the weighty business of his department.

Rev. J. J. Hall, Pastor of the Havorth Street, M. E. Church, hereby gratefully acknowledges the receipt of one hundred and fifty dollars as a donation from the friends and members of his church and congregation. GOD BLESS THEM.

Leave to withdraw, with consent of parties, was granted, on the petition for a new railroad route from Lowell to Boston, via Lexington, and for the Shaw-shueen railroad, forming a new line from this city to Boston.

WORKINGMEN'S TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The energetic workers of the Workingmen's Total Abstinence Society will hold a meeting Sunday evening at the Presbyterian Church, on Oak street, between Jackson and Lawrence, at 7 1/2 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

ROOT'S PESTICINE.—Contains Pesticide out oil.

Vital Statistics of 1865.

The whole number of marriages in this city during the year 1865, was 361, an increase of 68 over the number in 1864.—The birth-places of the parties were as follows:—

Birth-places.	Males.	Females.
England.	41	50
Ireland.	45	43
Massachusetts.	45	43
New Hampshire.	45	43
Maine.	36	47
Canada and the Provinces.	16	10
Scotland.	9	12
Yorkshire.	11	9
Germany.	5	5
New York.	0	3
New Jersey.	1	3
Pennsylvania.	2	0
Connecticut.	2	0
Washington, D. C.	1	0
Rhode Island.	1	2
Tennessee.	1	1
Unknown.	3	8

The number of American born married was 311; foreign born 281; unknown 11. The marriages took place in:—

Month.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
January.	34	20	21	21	21	21
February.	20	20	20	20	20	20
March.	21	20	20	20	20	20
April.	21	20	20	20	20	20
May.	21	20	20	20	20	20
June.	10	20	20	20	20	20

Of the women, one was married the third time, and forty-eight the second time. Of the men, four were married the third time, and fifty-three the second time. The ages of those married were thus given:—

Age.	Males.	Females.
Sixteen years.	0	2
Seventeen years.	0	6
Eighteen years.	1	28
Nineteen years.	5	14
Twenty to twenty-five.	142	170
Twenty-five to thirty.	77	77
Thirty to forty.	62	43
Forty to fifty.	22	8
Over fifty.	9	1
Unknown.	2	1

The oldest couple were 60 and 45, and the youngest couples 18 and 20, and 19 and 18. The parties were united by:—

Age.	Males.	Females.
Geo. R. Rowe, (J. P.)	33	E. A. Daisey, 7
C. E. Fisher, 30	A. S. Hatch, 7	
A. A. Miller, 23	G. S. Dearborn, 7	
G. O. Pickard, 23	J. K. Tarkenton, (J. P.) 7	
Wm. Orr, 22	P. J. Madden, 2	
M. Gallagher, 22	W. F. Gile, (J. P.) 2	
J. B. Davis, 20	Geo. S. Merrill, (J. P.) 1	
L. M. Edg., 20	G. W. Messure, 1	
J. H. Hall, 19	W. E. Hilditch, 1	
C. M. Cordier, 17	C. G. Newton, (J. P.) 1	
Geo. S. Weaver, 17	Wm. Boardman, (J. P.) 1	
Geo. P. Wilson, 16	N. W. Harmon, (J. P.) 1	
J. D. Taff, 15	H. Henry Harmon, 1	
E. C. Donnelly, 12	M. D. Hart, (J. P.) 1	
Henry A. Cooke, 11	And 21 by persons in other places.	

BIRTHS.

The whole number of births in 1865, was 652, an increase upon the births of 1864, of 73. Number of females born, 300; males 352. Majority of males 52.—Last year there was 11 majority of females. There were six pair of twins, and one illegitimate. The parentage of the children is given as follows:—

Birth-places.	Fathers.	Mothers.
Ireland.	53	303
England.	43	28
Massachusetts.	41	38
New Hampshire.	38	30
Maine.	28	28
Scotland.	17	28
Canada and the Provinces.	12	15
Vermont.	12	15
Germany.	10	10
Connecticut.	5	0
New Jersey.	3	0
Unknown.	2	0
New York.	1	7
Pennsylvania.	1	2
Rhode Island.	0	1

DEATHS.

The whole number of deaths during the year was 671. Males 260; females 302. There were 118 more than in 1864. Of the number who died, 268 were born in Lawrence; they were the youngest recorded; 114 were of foreign parentage, 163 foreign born, and 3 unknown. The deaths occurred in:—

Month.	July.	Aug.	Sept.	Oct.	Nov.	Dec.
January.	62	30	30	30	30	30
February.	32	30	30	30	30	30
March.	31	30	30	30	30	30
April.	45	30	30	30	30	30
May.	47	30	30	30	30	30
June.	41	30	30	30	30	30

Under 1 year, 165 30 to 40 20 1 to 5 105 40 to 50 20 5 to 10 35 50 to 60 22 10 to 15 19 70 to 80 24 15 to 20 19 80 to 90 7 20 to 25 13 Over 80 7 25 to 30 28

The two oldest persons who died were 85 years of age. Of the number 308 were buried in the Catholic grounds, and 190 in the City Cemetery; 73 were buried out of the city. The causes of death are classified as follows:—

Cause.	Number.
Consumption.	82
Congestion of Lungs.	6
Scarlet Fever.	33
Erysipelas.	6
Whooping Cough.	38
Small Pox.	6
Cholera Infantum.	24
Canker.	6
Typhoid Fever.	22
Congestion of Bowels.	4
Diphtheria.	22
Cancer.	4
Lung Fever.	11
Bowel Complaint.	4
Croup.	19
Liver Disease.	4
Water on the Brain.	13
Convulsions.	17
Arthritis.	3
Infantile.	17
Typhus Fever.	3
Dropsy.	16
Accidents.	3
Diphtheria.	13
Scalded.	3
Whooping cough.	11
Childbed Fever.	3
Heart Disease.	10
Worm Fever.	3
Croup.	19
Convulsions.	17
Infantile.	17
Lung Disease.	7
Killed on Railroad.	2
Old age.	7
General Disease.	2
Rain Fever.	6
Spinal Tubidity.	2
Inflam. of Brain.	6
Chronic Disease.	2
Cold.	2
Measles.	2
Bilious Fever.	2
Starvation in Reb. Prison.	2

And one each of scrofula, sun stroke, purging, drinking ice water, bilious complaint, insanity, rheumatic fever, piles, wounded in battle, apoplexy, congestion of stomach, black jaundice, paralysis, head disease, scarlet rash, hemorrhage, congestion of liver, pneumonia, griping, scald rheum, malignant pustule, bronchitis, scald head, chronic rheumatism, mortification of viscera, obstruction of bowels, consumption of blood, humors, lumber abscess, delirium tremens.—Stillborn 11; unknown 21.

WORKINGMEN'S TEMPERANCE MEETING.—The energetic workers of the Workingmen's Total Abstinence Society will hold a meeting Sunday evening at the Presbyterian Church, on Oak street, between Jackson and Lawrence, at 7 1/2 o'clock. All are invited to attend.

ROOT'S PESTICINE.—Contains Pesticide out oil.

CITY GOVERNMENT.

COMMON COUNCIL. Monday Evening, Feb. 19, 1866. Regular session, President Merrill in the Chair; absent, Mr. Blood. Came down the resolution increasing pay of the Fire Department; the other Board persisting in their amendments, the Council refused concurrence. Mr. Young offered a resolution authorizing the completion of the fence around new portion of the cemetery; passed to second reading. Mr. Storer presented an order for a joint committee to take the proper steps, under the Ordinance, towards the construction of a permanent sidewalk on the north side of Essex street, from Union street to the depot. Adopted, and the committee on streets appointed. Mr. Eaton presented a resolution authorizing the City Treasurer to pay drafts of Finance Committee to meet requirements of the State Aid Department; passed to a second reading. Adjourned one week.

BOARD OF ALDERMEN. Tuesday, Feb. 20, 1866. Mayor Armington in the Chair. SEWER ASSESSMENTS.—Petitions of Pacific Mills Co., A. R. Brewster and James Sanderson, for abatement of sewer assessment, referred to committee on sewers. APPOINTMENT.—Samuel Drew was appointed a special police officer. TRAVELERS JOURNALS.—Messrs. Orange Wheeler, Reuben Maynard, James Byrom and Abram A. Chase, were drawn to serve as Travelers Jurors to serve in the Superior Court, civil term, in this city on the first Monday in March.

SIDEWALKS TO BE CONSTRUCTED.—Order from the other Board looking to the construction of permanent sidewalks where they do not now exist, on the north side of Essex street the entire length from Union street to the depot, was concurred in, and the Mayor and Aldermen Harrison and Beetle were appointed as the committee on the part of this Board. FIRMEN'S PAY.—Aldermen Smith, Beetle and Sargent were appointed a committee of conference on the part of this Board upon this matter. SIGNED BY THE MAYOR.—The resolution providing for the purchase of additional land for the Poor Farm, having passed both Boards, was signed by the Mayor.

ADJOURNED TO TUESDAY FEB. 27th, at 7 1/2 P. M. SIDEWALK TO THE DEPOT.—Our citizens, especially those who have had occasion, during the late thaw, to wallow through the slough on Essex street, between Merchants' Row and the depot, will rejoice to hear that the City Council will have the honor to speedily complete the proposed permanent sidewalk, contemplated by the order this week adopted. That Essex street, the principal thoroughfare of the city, and the avenue over which passes four-fifths of the travel to and from the railroad station, should present such an intolerable nuisance as exists along the unoccupied upper portion, and in one or two other places front of vacant lots, is no credit to the city, a perpetual annoyance and a standing disgrace. By the provisions of the Ordinance the City Council may, wherever the public good seems to demand, lay out and construct a sidewalk, the city furnishing the edge stones, and the abutters being assessed the remaining cost. The public will anxiously await its completion.

GOOD TEMPLARS ELECTION.—At the institution of Young America Lodge, No. 99, Thursday, Feb. 8th, the following officers were installed into office for their first term, ending May 1st, 1866:—J. H. Brown, W. C. T.; Melissa Savage, W. V. T.; Edw. A. H. Colby, W. S.; Edward J. Dow, W. A. S.; John McKay, W. F. S.; Cynthia A. Fisher, W. T.; Truman Tuttle, W. M.; Martha Murray, W. O. G.; Carrie Stewart, R. H. S.; Kate Anderson, L. H. S.; Frank Nichols, P. W. U. T.—This is a new Lodge, being the second offspring of "Good Will."

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FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 23, 1866.

Communications solicited concerning all items of local interest in Andover, North Andover, and vicinity. We shall be glad to receive reliable items from any source. ANDOVER ITEMS. Mr. G. W. K. Gallis has purchased the estate on the corner of Brook and Church streets, formerly owned by Doct. Samuel Johnson. Prof. Charles A. Aiken of Dartmouth College, son of Hon. John Aiken of this town, has been elected to fill the Latin Professorship in the College of New Jersey. Mr. Eugene H. Titus, of the last class of Andover Theological Seminary, was ordained pastor of the Dane Street Church and Society, in Beverly, on the 18th inst. Mrs. Sarah C. Robbins, wife of Prof. R. D. C. Robbins, of Middlebury College, and daughter of the late Prof. Stuart of this town, has been awarded a prize of \$50 offered by the publishers of the New York Observer for the best "Religious Narrative."

At an unusually large meeting of the Society connected with the Free Church, held on Monday evening, Almon Clark, Moderator, and James Spence, Clerk, it was voted unanimously to concur with the church in extending an invitation to Rev. James P. Lane, late of East Weymouth, to become their pastor.

SAVINGS BANK.—The petitioners for a Savings Bank to be located in this village had a hearing before the Legislative Committee on Saturday last, Jas. M. Fessenden and A. B. Southwick appearing for the petitioners, and on Monday a bill granting a charter to the same was reported in the House of Representatives. THE WHITTLE FILE CO. have changed the pay-day of their workmen from the second Monday in the month, to the 15th day. This arrangement will come into effect next month. THE METHODIST SUNDAY SCHOOL, (Rev. Mr. Day's) gave an exhibition on the evening of Washington's birthday at the Temperance Hall. It consisted of some well selected single pieces, of very interesting dialogues, and beautiful songs, all by the members of the school. The entertainment was creditable to the society and school, and we hope that its friends, encouraged by this success, will redouble their efforts in this glorious mission of gathering in the children and leading them to Christ. The exhibition will be repeated on some evening next week in the town hall in Andover, and due notice of the evening and particulars will be given. We trust our friends in Andover and vicinity will bear this in mind, and aid and encourage it by their presence and their patronage.

LECTURES.—This (Friday) evening, the Fenian Brotherhood of this vicinity will have a lecture from Frank S. O'Riely, at Pierce's Hall. Subject: "Ireland as a Nation again." The temperance societies have arranged so that the eloquent pleader for the unfortunate, Miss Ellen D. Rockwood, will deliver a lecture at their hall on Tuesday evening next.

THE IRISH ORATOR.—It will be seen by the advertisement, that Edward H. Uniac, Esq., is to lecture in the Town Hall, at Andover, on Wednesday evening next. Mr. Uniac is a native of the green isle of Erin, and one of the most eloquent and effective speakers upon temperance. He is a native orator, an educated lawyer, and has thrilled and electrified large audiences in the West, and throughout New England. His address in Lawrence, some time since, was received with great enthusiastic applause. We congratulate our Andover friends on the rich intellectual treat in store for them.

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Auction Sale

REAL ESTATE IN ANDOVER!

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Attorney & Counselor at Law, Bank Building, Andover, Mass. GEORGE H. POOR, Feb. 16—51m

Piano Forte Instruction. E. J. CHOWNY, Teacher of Music and voice-building. Please call at her residence on School St., opposite the new academy, for particulars. From 8 o'clock, Wednesday and Saturday afternoons. A class of ten for voice building under ten years of age not apply. A separate class for song and piano. References—N. W. Haven, Milton Berry, S. H. Taylor. 16x2m

Toys and Fancy Goods. The inhabitants of Andover and vicinity can find an assortment of the above articles in the best manner. ERICSSON and CHLOEUSON, Andover, Feb. 23, 1866. WM. HINCHCLIFF, 145 Essex Street, Lawrence.

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METHUEN. Now that our esteemed townsman, the Methuen reporter of your excellent paper has removed to Portland, I fear that local items of interest in this village will suffer. A part of what goes to make up the history of the world for seven days, as contained in the weekly newspaper, occurs in Methuen, and human life is presenting the same comedy and tragedy here as elsewhere. Actions and motives, hours of amusement and sleep, daily slumbers and midnight vigils, faults of temper, merits and demerits, secret thoughts and idle remarks, aspirations and fillings, hopes and purposes, plans and the execution of them, sins and good deeds—all these which make that onward passage that we call life, remain unwritten, while the lesser details of every-day life find their way into the newspaper, and are eagerly sought for by all.

On Tuesday evening the 13th inst., the Rev. Wm. Studley, of Boston, lectured in the Town Hall upon "Grumbling." The importance of presenting this subject to the minds of lecturers, who are themselves vile grumblers, and the result is that the audience are obliged to listen to a grumbling about grumbling; but Mr. Studley took a different course, and with ease, good nature, and clearness, treated this fruitful theme in a very acceptable manner, pointing out the evils of grumbling, and its incompatibility with human happiness, and the great art of living well. In considering the relation of his subject to public officers, and the government, he did not have occasion to consider hackneyed political questions, and for this we thank him.

POLICE MATTERS.

FRIDAY.—Three men whose cases are noted elsewhere, were charged with being vagrants...

Essex County Items.

The schooner, Carrie E. Cruise, of Gloucester, from Prince Edward's Island, with a freight of potatoes, is supposed to be lost...

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SPECIAL NOTICES

Whiskered Whiskers! Do you want whiskers? Our Golden Compound will force them to grow on the smoothest face or chin, or hair on bald heads, in six weeks. Price, 50 cents per box. Sold by mail anywhere, enclosed in receipt of price. Address: WALKER & CO., Box 186, Brooklyn, N. Y.

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CHADWICK'S Life and Fire Insurance AGENCY For the following First-Class Companies. 142 Essex Street, Lawrence. Howland, Capital and surplus, \$250,000.00. Commercial Union, 200,000.00. Northwestern, 200,000.00. Cr. Ins., 275,000.00. New York, 250,000.00. Commercial, 250,000.00. Columbia, 200,000.00. Phoenix, 1,500,000.00. Security, 1,500,000.00. Unity Mutual, 100,000.00. Conn. Mut. Life Ins. Co., 100,000.00. National Fire Ins. Co., 200,000.00. This Company insures against accidents of all kinds, including traveling tickets. Fire, 7 per cent. dividend paid annually on Life Policies. Orders will receive prompt attention. 5m23

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS

FLORA GUIDE AND FLOWER & VEGETABLE SEEDS. Vio's Illustrated Catalogue of SEEDS. FLOWERS GUIDE. For the season of 1896. It now published. It contains full descriptions of the choicest flowers of the world, and the best vegetable, with plain directions for culture. Illustrated with a colored bouquet and Fifty Wood Engravings of the most and best flowers, and containing about 700 pages—sent to all who apply for one, and who enclose 10 cents in advance. Flowers from seeds sold by us obtained the first prizes at the principal State Fairs, and hundreds of County Fairs, the past summer. JAMES VICK, Rochester, N. Y.

BEAUTIFUL COMPLEXION

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F. S. JEWETT & CO'S Furniture Warehouse! 184 ESSEX STREET, (at 3 Merchants' Row). We have on hand, for sale, and are receiving, weekly, the very latest styles of PARLOR SUITS! which, for finish and durability, excel any goods of the kind for sale in Lawrence. CHAMBER SUITS IN FULL. Marble, Black Walnut, Oak trimmed in Walnut. Chestnut, Birch, Mahogany and various. We have a large stock of the very latest styles, and are in the most thorough manner. If you desire suits for \$25 and \$30. Call and examine, and you will feel that you are getting the best for your money.

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