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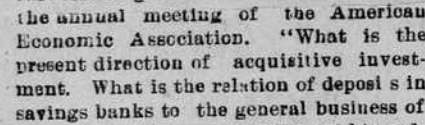
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FAULTS OF OUR SAVING SYSTEM.

Timely Article by Ex-Secretary Fairchild on Subject.

Baltimore, December 30.—Ex-Secretary of the Treasury Charles Fairchild opened this morning's session of the third day of the annual meeting of the American Economic Association.

There are certain features connected with this particular form of investment of savings which apparently are not well for the community.

These funds, which have been so miserably accumulated and which have been of considerable benefit to the community, become at times a menace to all business interests.

Using Second Hand Evidence. Biddeford, December 30.—Biddeford parties upon whom scire facias writs were recently served on liquor indictments found at the last term of the Supreme Court, met today and decided to contest their cases at the January term of court.

George B. Young Wants Pardon. Augusta, December 30.—A petition for the pardon of George B. Young of Ellsworth, who was sentenced October, 1894, to four years to the state prison for assault with intent to kill, was presented to the governor and council this afternoon.

"MACEO IS ALIVE."

Joyful Cry Indeed To The Cuban Camp.

WAS WOUNDED BUT RESCUED BY HIS SOLDIERS.

Precise Details of His Injury Are Coming to Havana—Zertucha's Treachery Confirmed.

Havana, via Key West, December 30.—"Maceo is alive," is the Cubans' joyful cry. The first rumors, accepted with incredulity, are now gaining ground.

Under a strong escort they carried him to the Sigüera hospital where, under the skillful treatment of Doctors Fernin, Valdez, Dominguez and Pancho Dominguez, the chief is now slowly recuperating.

ALL IS HAPPINESS IN CUBA.

According to This Despatch There Isn't Much of an Insurrection There Anymore.

Washington, December 30.—There is authority for the statement that the Spanish government is, generally speaking, entirely satisfied with the attitude of the United States with reference to the Cuban revolt.

Through advices which reached the state department today it is learned that as soon as that portion of the President's recent message to Congress relating to the Cuban situation had been translated, copies were sent to the Spanish ministers at the various European capitals with the added statement that the Spanish government was entirely satisfied.

WEYLER AN OBSTACLE TO REFORM.

Ex-Premier Sagasta Says He Is Incapable of Coping With Rebellion.

Madrid, December 30.—A report of an interview with Ex-Premier Sagasta, leader of the Spanish liberals, is published in El Liberal, in which he is represented as saying that Europe is in sympathy with Spain in the maintenance of Spanish sovereignty in Cuba, but that Europe wishes to see the establishment of reforms in Cuba.

Canovas Talks To a Newspaper.

Madrid, December 30.—The Imparcial publishes a report of an interview with Senor Canovas, prime minister, in which he declared that the government will not accept any intervention on the part of the United States in Cuba.

General Colby's Army.

Lincoln, Neb., December 30.—Gen. L. W. Colby of Beatrice, who has taken upon himself the task of forming an American army to fight for Cuban independence, will start for the east in a few days, stopping at Chicago, Cleveland and New York.

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STATE REPORTS.

Land Agent's Accounts—The Industrial School.

The accounts of Hon. Charles E. Oak, land agent, have been submitted to the governor and council, giving the following: Cash on hand, December 1, 1895, \$382.60; December 1, 1896, \$266.57. This latter balance is about the average, the large amount on hand for 1895, being due to some bills being held over.

There has been received from the state treasurer, \$400 for forestry appropriation; \$11 from French settlers on notes.

The report of the State Industrial School for Girls at Hallowell was presented, showing that institution to be in a most satisfactory condition, financially and otherwise. The report of the retiring superintendent, Mr. E. Rowell, is in part, as follows: Twenty-four girls have been committed to the school during the past year from the following cities and towns: Bath, 3; Portland, 3; Augusta, 2; Westbrook, 2; Rockland, 2; one each from Calais, Rockport, Thomaston, Clinton, Gardiner, Fryeburg, Fairfield, Alfred, Jay, Bangor, Deer Isle and Boothbay, making a total of 64 since the opening of the school in 1875.

The number at the school December, 1875, was 79; average number during 1896, 76; number committed during the year, 24; returned to the school during the year, 110; sent home, 34; married, 6; died at school, 1; of age, 12; of positively bad record since leaving the school, 40; whole number married before majority, 92; after majority, 64.

About the same number have been placed in homes as have been committed, leaving the present number in the school 73. The average during the year has been fully up to that number.

The number now in homes is 27; married before reaching majority, 92; reached majority while unmarried, 130; returned to friends, 56; dismissed as uncorrectible, 7; deceased, 33; escaped and not recovered, 5.

The percentage of girls committed since the organization is as follows: American, 80; Irish, 35; New Brunswick, 17; Nova Scotia, 8; French Canadian, 1; Mulatto, 2; African, 2; Dane, 1; German, 4; Russian Jew, 1; English, 6.

STATE BOARD OF ASSESSORS.

Annual Report Filed With the Governor and Council.

Augusta, Dec. 30.—The Board of State Assessors, Otis Hayford, George Potlie and William B. Marshall, today submitted their sixth annual report to the Governor and Council. It is of more than ordinary interest as this is the biennial year when they fix the values for State taxation. They say:—

We are not unmindful of the fact that not so large a percentage of increase appears as in former years.

This may readily be accounted for when it is known that we have endeavored, not so much to increase the State valuation as to more thoroughly equalize present values. We have in addition to this also to meet the depreciated condition of values of all classes of property both real and personal. We find that the late act relating to shipping places the present value at \$2,631,033, as against the value in 1894 of \$6,346,228, a reduction of \$3,814,635. We have also been forced to reduce our standard of values on live stock to the extent of over one-half million of dollars, and a total reduction in values of \$70,902.

The recapitulation shows the total local valuation to be \$278,358,654 of which \$177,207,062 is real estate; \$36,226,160, real estate non-resident; \$61,056,764, personal estate; \$3,872,668 personal non-resident.

The polls returned are 182,188.

Returns by Counties for 1895 and 1896 are as follows:—

Table with 3 columns: Counties, Returns for 1895, Returns for 1896. Lists counties like Androscoggin, Arden, etc.

The falling-off in the valuations of Live-Stock returned is to be regretted as it largely represents a loss to our agricultural people. Comparative figures of values given by the local assessors are as follows by counties.

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The assessors' returns show the following aggregate valuations in the State: Stocks in trade, \$15,148,180; money at interest, \$11,370,382; bank stock, \$8,608,073; bicycles, \$184,493; carriages, \$1,237,567; musical instruments, \$1,713,228; shipping, \$2,531,693.

The assessors as required by law, submit the amounts of their assessed valuation of each city, town, plantation and wild lands. The total valuation of the State is fixed at \$228,500,994, divided as follows: Real estate, \$229,869,182; personal estate, \$71,111,947; wild lands, \$17,075,895; timber and grass on public lands, \$443,970.

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SEA AND SHAD FISHERIES.

Commissioner O. B. Whitten Files His Annual Report.

Augusta, December 30.—Orrin B. Whitten, commissioner of sea and shad fisheries, submitted his biennial report covering the past year to the Governor and Council Wednesday. He traces the history of the fisheries on the coast of Maine.

The cod fisheries of Maine are demoralized, which he attributed to the withdrawal of the bounty of 1895, the enormous expense and uncertainty of this business and the strong competition of Canadian fisheries. Yet Maine fishermen are following a less hazardous business in local fishing, receiving fair remuneration. There are 14,640 persons connected with the Maine fisheries and the total number of vessels employed is 512, with an aggregate of 10,125 tonnage.

The herring fishery, in connection with the sardine industry, is of the first importance of any. During 1896 they have been unusually abundant. The aggregate amounts to more money value than any other fishery on the coast. From the statistics the commissioner learns that there were taken 21,250 barrels for salted herring, valued at \$530,370, and 1,217,950 bushels of fresh herring, valued at \$197,786.

It is estimated that on the Kennebec river are 394 fishermen engaged in shad fishery with weirs and drift nets, with 181 boats, and that the value of weirs, nets and boats is \$29,085. The total amount received for shad during 1896 was \$30,737.

There are 781 persons employed in the clam fishery who secured 232,981 bushels of clams in the shell, worth \$140,878.

There has been a complete absence of menhaden on the coast the past season.

A large amount of smelts are caught, more persons being engaged in this business than for many previous years, but prices have ruled lower. The catch for the year has been 1,326,000 pounds, which sold for \$71,704, principally in Boston and New York.

In the salmon fishery in 1896, 193 persons were employed, the number of weirs being 175; the value of weirs, \$8,795; number of boats, 107; value of boats, \$2,737; amount of catch, 75,117 pounds, valued at \$12,383.

The alvish fishery is chiefly in Knox and Lincoln counties; 11,481 barrels were taken, from which \$16,264 was realized.

The sardine business has been depressed. Low prices have prevailed, there have been strikes and there is a quantity of inferior goods on the market. Fifty factories have been in operation, 5,735 employees, with total wages of \$76,424. The number of boats is 123; bushels of sardines taken, 657,820; the value of which is \$134,399; cases packed, 840,587.

The old fishing grounds for mackerel from the western boundary of the state to Mt. Desert failed this season, but our fishermen get successful catches at the Georges banks. Four Maine mackerel vessels stocked \$60,000. The number of Maine vessels employed in the mackerel fishery is 14; number, 233; value of vessels, \$14,200; value of seines, etc., \$25,300; value of catch, \$34,556. Ten of these vessels are from Portland harbor.

Mr. Whitten gives the history of the sword fisheries and the process of taking sword fish. The number of vessels engaged in capturing sword fish is 32, of tonnage, 1563; value, \$61,500; number of sword fish caught, 3,303, weighing 1,900,750 pounds, and of aggregate value \$3,524. Twenty-six of these vessels hail from Portland.

The salted fish industry is in such poor condition that catching fish for export has almost ceased to be a part of the fisheries of Maine, a fleet of three vessels at Boothbay Harbor, and of three at Bucksport being the only vessels engaged in the bank cod fishery the past season.

The pollock fishery is principally in Hancock and Washington county waters. The fish cured for export and local consumption is 1896, amounting to 1,165,380 pounds, valued at \$205,530. The total amount of fresh fish industry in the state in 1896 was 24,406,330 pounds, valued at \$504,294. Of these, 17,320,400 pounds arrived at Portland.

A long chapter is given on the lobster fisheries. 352,000 lobster fry were liberated at Kittery Point, 154,000 at York Harbor and 150,000 at Newcastle, all from the United States Station at Gloucester. Mr. Whitten advises consideration by the legislature of lobster culture. The men employed in the lobster fishery during the year was 3708; number of lobster cars, 21,430; of lobster boats, 3353; traps, 173,356; lobster takers, 7,925,575; valued at \$79,266; total value of lobster catching equipment, \$435,157.

Other fish products are given as follows: Scallops, \$500,000; eels, \$772; sturgeon, \$704; bass, \$968; fish oils, \$11,320; scraps, \$30,000; tom cods, \$1366. The total money value of the sea fisheries product is given as \$4,393,692.

The commission appointed by the Governor and employed in the codification of fish laws is now at work. More liberal appropriations are needed.

Superintendent Stetson's Report.

Augusta, December 30.—The annual report of W. W. Stetson, state superintendent of schools, submitted to the Governor and Council, shows 134,140 scholars in Maine schools for 1896; 6789 teachers, showing an increase of 150 over 1895. There are 4391 schools with an increase of 15 towns having high schools which have 16,808 pupils.

A Jail Breaker Caught.

Skowhegan, December 30.—Milford J. Adams, who escaped from Norridgewock jail about one year ago and has since eluded arrest, came into Skowhegan late Tuesday night and gave himself up to Sheriff Villas. Adams' original offence was criminal assault. He was brought into court Wednesday morning and sentenced to six months in the county jail by Judge Wiswell. The court observed leniency on account of Adams' family.

DISCUSSING SCHOOL TEACHING.

Second Day's Session of the State Pedagogical Institution.

Lewiston, December 30.—The session of the Maine Pedagogical society was continued today. This forenoon the report of the committee on arithmetic by Acting Chairman Principal S. I. Graves of Augusta was listened to with much interest. It was discussed by Principal Adelaide V. Finch, Lewiston Training School; Superintendent W. H. Winslow, Bath; Superintendent O. M. Lord, Portland; Principal Theodore T. Young, Saco. Arithmetic, by G. I. Aldrich, superintendent of schools, Newton, Mass., was another good paper. In the High school section of room E, the question, "Is the present Preparatory English a Success?" was ably discussed by President George C. Chase of Bates college and Principal H. E. Cole of the Bath High school. President Nathaniel Burler of Colby was excused, he not being able to be present.

The question, "Should the College Preparatory English be Separated from the other English in High Schools?" was discussed by Prof. H. M. Estabrook, State college; Principal Albro E. Chase, Portland High school; and Principal E. L. Sampson, Thornton Academy.

In the hall Wednesday afternoon the following papers were read: "The German Schools," W. H. Hartshorn, professor of English literature, Bates College; "Nature Study and Literature," Sarah L. Arnold, supervisor of schools, Boston, Mass.; "Reading," Superintendent A. P. Wagg, Auburn.

The committees on instruction met in the hall. In the Normal school section of room, the following question was ably discussed by Principal A. E. Richardson of the Castine Normal school: "Should Normal Schools Demand High School Course or Its Equivalent as a Requirement of Admission?"

Principal G. C. Purlington of the Farmington Normal school and Miss Mary S. Snow, superintendent of schools of Bangor, also spoke on this subject most interestingly.

A paper by Principal Sarah M. Taylor of the Portland Training school was read at 3 p. m., on the subject, "How Shall High School Courses Be Arranged to Meet the Needs of Normal Schools and Training Classes?"

Miss Adelaide V. Finch of the Lewiston Training school also spoke on this text and gave some very interesting facts. Principal W. J. Corthell of the Gorham Normal school led the discussion in his characteristic interesting way.

At the evening meeting there was an address on "Modern Demands Upon the Teacher," by Hon. F. A. Hill, secretary of the Massachusetts board of education before a large audience in City hall. The committee appointed to bring in a list of officers are: Messrs. Jordan, Lewiston; Wagg, Auburn; Keyes, Bar Harbor.

Portland Teachers at Lewiston.

Mr. Albro E. Chase of the High school, Dr. D. H. Dole of the Jackson school, and Miss Harriet C. Baker of the Training school, attended the meeting of the Maine Pedagogical society in Lewiston yesterday. Miss Baker read a paper on "How Shall High School Courses Be Arranged to Meet the Need of Normal Schools and Training Classes?" written by Miss Sarah M. Taylor. Yesterday forenoon Mr. Chase was on the programme for a paper on "Should the College Preparatory English be Separated from the Other English in High Schools?" Superintendent Lord was to take part in the discussion of the report of the committee on arithmetic.

Cattle Commissioners at Bangor.

Bangor, December 30.—The Maine cattle commissioners held a meeting here tonight for the purpose of closing up the year's business, considering the cases of tuberculosis and taking action regarding the appropriation by the legislature for the coming year. It was decided to issue certificates of health to sound cattle, the owner to pay a nominal sum for certificates and the state to pay for diseased cattle as before. Commissioner Beal condemned and had killed five cattle of a herd of nineteen at Hampden today. Three diseased animals in this city are quarantined. The commissioner will ask the legislature for a sum sufficient to do effective work.

Plan to Reorganize Howland Pulp Company.

Bangor, December 30.—Mr. L. A. Sumner of Boston, one of the stockholders of the Howland Pulp and Paper Company, and one of its heaviest creditors, is in the city engaged in promoting a plan by which the affairs of the corporation may be conducted on a new basis at the close of the present proceedings in insolvency.

A few weeks ago the stockholders of the corporation, as is well known, met in Portland and agreed to petition for insolvency proceedings in their case. A committee was appointed to consider the proposal for further operations at the Howland mills.

Meanwhile, Mr. Sumner, one of the heavy creditors of the company and a stockholder, began to arrange a plan. Mr. Sumner's plan is said to be this: He will ask the creditors to sign off for 50 per cent of their claims then he will assess the present stockholders 20 per cent of their holdings, for funds with which to begin operations again. In exchange for the assessment an amount of the preferred stock of the company, equal to the assessment of 50 per cent will be issued to stockholders forwarding the same, and common stock to the amount now held will be issued to those who agree to the assessment. All this occurs at the close of the insolvency proceedings of course.

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POLO.

Lewiston was defeated by Portland last evening at polo in City hall by a score of 12 to 3. The victors started in with great energy, but unfortunately met with some severe accidents at the outset and played in a listless manner during the first period. Later they got down to a better style of work, but the lead of the Portlandists was then so great that the visitors were unable to catch up. Despite the fact that it was a rather one sided contest, the game was an interesting one to witness, and the 1100 people present thoroughly enjoyed the evening.

THE AMATEUR GAME.

Previous to the game between the Lewiston and Portland, two amateur teams played a game which for all round slugging, smashing and exciting play was more interesting than the league contest. These amateur teams were the Forest City and South Portland, and a lister set of players have never been on City hall floor than were the young men on these teams. Only two periods were played, and the game resulted, South Portland, 3; Forest City, 1. Johnson, formerly of the Portlandists was the referee, and he allowed almost any kind of playing to go without question. So warm did the game become that in the second period R. T. Sterling was hit with a polo stick and had his nose broken. This accident to the Forest City's best rusher doubtless had a great deal to do with that team's defeat. The summary of this amateur game was as follows:

South Portland—Woodbury, first rush; Spear, second rush; Whitney, centre; Flavin, half back; McGovery, goal. Substitutes, Anderson and York. Forest City—R. T. Sterling, first rush; W. B. Deaton, second rush; R. G. Sterling, centre; C. E. Brackett, centre; E. Shaw, goal.

Table with 3 columns: GOALS, WON BY, MIN. SEC. Lists goals for Forest City and South Portland.

Score—South Portland, 3; Forest City, 1. South Portland, 30; Shaw, 13. Rushes—Sterling, 3. Time Keeper—Wescott. Referee—Johnson.

THE LEAGUE GAME.

When the professionals took the field there was considerable applause, for the Lewistonists brought over a good crowd of enthusiasts with them, and who also have many admirers here in Portland. Whipple got the first goal for Portland after five minutes of hard playing, and hardly had the ball been put in play again when Foster, by a drive from the centre of the hall, succeeded in getting the second goal, much to W. Broadbent's disgust, as the ball would have been such an easy one to stop.

The Lewistonists didn't seem to be up to their work, and two more goals were scored by Portland with ease. Then the Lewistonists woke up to the fact that they were dropping the game too quickly, and began to play like fiends. A minute or so of rapid work and Conley was struck in the mouth with a stick and had seven teeth knocked down his throat. The injured man was taken to his dressing room and a doctor summoned from the audience to attend him. Wilson the substitute went on to the floor in Conley's place and play was again resumed. Hardly a minute later and time was called again. This was for a three inch splinter from Foster's stick, which had been driven into Fitzgerald's leg, and this man was also taken to the dressing room. When Fitzgerald was able to get out onto the floor again to play out the game he was heartily cheered. J. Dawson scored Portland's fifth consecutive goal by a pretty pass play. The Lewiston men then got their first goal by passing the ball back and forth across the hall and driving it into the goal in a very clever manner. The Portland goal was left entirely unprotected during this play, and this made the Lewiston's first goal an easy one to win. The period ended with Portland having seven goals to his credit and with Lewiston only 1.

In the second period the visitors braided up a little and put up a remarkably lively game. But they were clearly outclassed and disheartened, and were not able to accomplish much. The two goals that Lewiston won in this period should never have been scored, as in both cases the Portland goal was left unguarded and Allen seemed unable to stop the eye drives. Four more goals were scored by Portland in the third period, the last one being caged just as the gong for the end of the period was sounded.

Both goal tenders did good work, especially was this true of Broadbent, who plays his position for all it is worth. The Portlanders grew very careless towards the end of the game, having found the Lewistonists too easy to worry much about. Foster played an exceptionally good game and was well applauded for his work.

The summary: Portland—J. Dawson, first rush; Whipple, second rush; Foster, centre; Jordan, half back; Allen, goal. Lewiston—C. Broadbent, first rush; Jones, second rush; Connelly, centre; Fitzgerald, half back; W. Broadbent, goal; Wilson, substitute.

Table with 3 columns: GOALS, WON BY, MIN. SEC. Lists goals for Portland and Lewiston.

Reading, Pa., December 30.—Mrs. Becker, aged 66, wife of ex-Sheriff Becker, and Mrs. Wm. Seidel, her daughter, aged 30, were killed by an explosion of dynamite at Truckville, near this city, this evening. Mr. Becker placed a quantity of explosive in the oven of the kitchen stove to thaw it out. Shortly afterwards he went out doors. Five minutes later there was a terrible crash. The dwelling, a handsome stone structure, caught fire and was consumed. Becker is prostrated.

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Score—Portland, 12; Lewiston, 3. Stops—Allen, 26; W. Broadbent, 32. Rushes—J. Dawson, 9; C. Broadbent, 6. Fouls—Lewiston, 3; Forest City, 4. Time Keeper—R. E. Shirley.

GAME FRIDAY NIGHT.

The Augusta team will play here on Friday night and a great contest may be looked for, as the Augustas are playing a very strong game. An amateur game between the Bijous and the Forest Citys will be played during the first of the evening. Reserved seats at Chandler's.

The injured players in last evening's game were taken to the office of Dr. George S. Pitcher, where they were made as comfortable as could be expected under the circumstances.

Maine Polo League Standing.

Table with 4 columns: Clubs, Won, Lost, Percent. Lists standings for Rockland, Lewiston, Bath, and Augusta.

MEN TELL THEIR STORY.

Reply to President Little's Statement Regarding West End Strike.

Boston, December 30.—The Supreme Council of Conductors and Motormen's Union, tonight issued a statement to the executive board of the West End Street railway and the public in reply to that of President Little given out this afternoon. The council admits that mistakes were made and that it could not control the actions of the men after "needless and inexcusable delay on the part of the management of the road" in giving the council recognition, because it had not then time to communicate with them before the hour at which the strike had been voted to take effect. The council does not admit it acted in bad faith with the road or men and regrets President Little's inference that it gave the press unreliable statements. Only twenty-five men on the entire system voted against the strike. If he had informed the Supreme Council that he and no power to sign the agreement and the board was not within reach, or if four hours before he did, he had informed the council that the executive board would not discuss the agreement the strike would not have occurred. The executive committee of the West End company will meet Thursday afternoon.

IN THE WOODS OF MAINE.

Gang of Counterfeiters Arrested in New York Who are Said to Have Operated in This State.

New York, December 30.—Mary Hanson, Wm. Marlin and Patrick Burke, have been arrested at No. 8 Batavia street, this city, on the charge of being counterfeiters. They are said to be members of a gang of the cleverest counterfeiters that have existed for many years. The operations of the gang were carried on in the Maine woods, and in the mountain fastnesses of Virginia, as well as in the slums of New York.

Spurious money made by them has been extensively circulated throughout the United States, and so cleverly was this done that the government's detectives found it hard to tell it from the genuine. It is said that other arrests of the gang will be made shortly.

Marlin, one of the men arrested, has already served a term of twenty years for counterfeiting. He is considered a prize capture. He is over seventy years of age and a clever engraver. The three prisoners were arrested this afternoon and held in jail in sums ranging from \$500 to \$10,000.

President Little's Statement.

Boston, December 30.—President Little of the West End Street Railway, has issued a statement in which he reviews his position in the recent strike of the motormen and conductors. He says the Supreme Council showed themselves an irresponsible body in not being able to keep their promise made December 24. He thinks the employees who remained at their post and says to the employees, who have again entered the service of the road, that if their subsequent conduct is good, the past will not be remembered, and in no way will any discrimination be shown or allowed against them.

Capt. Patterson Gets a Verdict.

Boston, December 30.—In the second jury session of the superior court today, before Judge Sherman, a verdict of \$500 for the plaintiff was returned in the action brought by Capt. Wm. H. Patterson vs. the Kennebec Steamboat Company. The suit was brought to recover 12,000 damages for personal injuries consequent upon an assault upon the plaintiff by a night watchman on board the steamer Sagadahoc, on which the plaintiff was sailing, August 3, 1895, for Bath, Me.

Dividends Might be Worse.

Fall River, Mass., December 30.—The annual statement of the mill dividends for the year 1896 were issued this afternoon. Of thirty-nine corporations, three failed to pay anything. There is a decrease shown in the average dividend compared with last year when it was over eight per cent. There is an increase in the capital stock of about \$1,500,000; \$800,000 of which is represented by the Kerr Thread company not listed last year. Only a few of the corporations had debts worth mentioning. The print cloth market, especially during the last half of the year has been very dull. The average dividend paid this year on a total capital of \$22,938,000 was 5.34 per cent.

From Spanish News Bureau.

Havana, December 30.—Col. Seguras reports that his command while reconnoitering on Brazo Nopal, Pinal del Rio, December 25, found a rebel camp and had a skirmish with the rebels. The Spanish forces drove the rebels. Later on came across the rebels who occupied a strong position. A hard fight lasting for four hours took place. The rebels were eventually smothered and dispersed, suffering heavy loss. He was a member of the United States House committee on foreign affairs arrived here today.

More Thawing Out Dynamite.

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HAILED FROM WHITEFIELD.

Strange Death of Wealthy Maine Man in Massachusetts.

Sandwich, Mass., December 30.—Joseph F. Ware, aged 28, was found frozen to death in the snow near his cabin at White Island yesterday afternoon. Mr. Ware had a large interest in the cranberry bogs at White Island and has resided there the past six years. He was last seen alive a week ago Monday when he was returning from Ellsworth. He was likely overcome by exhaustion in walking through thick roads and fell down. His body has lain ever since by the roadside and the snow of last week covered it almost completely. Ware was not missed until yesterday when a searching party from Sagamore found his remains. Ware hailed from Whitefield, Me., and has a brother living within a few miles of where he met his death. There are no suspicions of foul play, as a large sum of money and other valuables were found on the dead man.

Contracts for Bath Iron Works.

Bath, December 30.—The Bath Iron Works have been awarded a contract for two big lightships and one light house tender, to cost \$320,000. The job will keep the works going at full blast all winter.

BRIEFLY TOLD.

At a meeting of the directors of the Consolidated Traction company, of Pittsburg, held Tuesday, it was decided to increase the wages of the motormen and conductors from 2 3/4 per hour to 18 cents per hour to take effect January 1, 1897. The company controls all of the street car lines in Pittsburg except one.

An Ottawa, Ont., despatch says that a proposal was recently submitted to the Dominion government to bring out the Armenians to settle on land in the Canadian Northwest. Yesterday a despatch was sent to Mr. Joseph Chamberlain that the scheme could not be entertained, as the Canadian government had no funds from which the Armenians might be assisted, and that it was considered imprudent to grant lands in a block for settlement.

Sheriff-elect A. L. McFadden of Waterville made public the appointments of his deputies. The list is the same as under Sheriff Norton, with the exception of Charles W. Jones of China, Frank J. Ham of Belgrade, J. F. Bean of Augusta, and Nathaniel Jaquith of Clinton, who are new men.

A Louisville special says: The board of councilmen has adopted resolutions calling upon Congress to recognize the Cubans as a free and independent people and to help them gain their freedom, if necessary by giving them physical as well as moral assistance.

Mrs. Nettie R. Craven, the claimant to a large portion of the estate of the late Senator Fair, is seriously ill. It is said that her ailment is such that she may die any time.

When called upon to surrender the county books and funds in his possession Tuesday night, Henry F. Siraux, county clerk of Langlade county, Wisconsin, committed suicide by taking poison. He left a letter stating that he was a defaulter to the amount of \$8,700. He was 72 years old.

Charles Benjamin Stevens, register of deeds for Middlesex county, Mass., died at his residence in Cambridge Wednesday morning, aged 78 years. He was an Old Fellow, a Grand Army man and a member of the Loyal Legion.

Burlington, Ia., special says that Dr. Charles Burdette, a local editor and owner of "the Burlington Hawkeye," a former state senator, a member of the coinage commission under President Hayes in 1878, and who has been fourth auditor of the treasury, and was prominent in educational and church work, died at his home there Tuesday, aged 66.

A special from Galveston, Texas, states that a thousand or more persons in that city are suffering from la grippe, which has been epidemic in nearly two weeks. There has been no appreciable increase in the death rate.

Articles of incorporation were filed Wednesday at Trenton, N. J., by the Honduras syndicate, a company which expects to secure concessions from the government of Honduras and grants of land for the operation of several railroad systems. The company's capital stock is \$500,000. Among the corporators are Chauncey M. Depue, John Jacob Astor and Benjamin H. Tracy.

Archbishop Fabre, the head of the Roman Catholic archdiocese of Montreal, died shortly after eleven last night. A slight improvement is noted in the condition of Mrs. Henry Ward Beecher.

Dr. Rizal, reported to have been the promoter of the revolt against Spanish authority in the Philippine Islands, and who was some time since returned to Manila from Barcelona, at the request of military judge, was shot on the 28th.

The Hen and Chickens Lightship, No. 2, has been replaced on the station on Nantucket shoals. Schooner Thomas B. Reed, from Bridgewater, N. S., ashore on Governor's Island flats the past five days, was floated yesterday morning, apparently uninjured.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

MISCELLANEOUS.

MR. STEVENS'S STAMPS.

Warren E. Bailey Held to Answer for Their Theft.

MRS. STEVENS'S STORY OF A COOL PIECE OF ROBBERY.

The Stamps Taken Were Worth \$600—The Respondent Claims He Was in Brockton at the Time—An Interesting Hearing.

On the 6th day of last October, Mr. Samuel A. Stevens lost a valuable collection of postage stamps, which were stolen by a young man who claimed to be in Mr. Stevens's employ and thus secured the stamps. Yesterday the story of the theft was told in the police court and it led to the holding of Warren E. Bailey in \$500 bail on the charge of stealing the stamps. Bailey, who surrendered to the police Monday, as already related in the papers, is a slim young man, with a noticeable crop of black hair hanging low over his forehead and ears. The hearing was long and interesting. Assistant County Attorney Webb appeared for the state and Dennis Meaher, Esq., for the respondent.

MR. SAMUEL A. STEVENS.

was the first witness for the State. He testified that early in October last he had a collection of postage stamps in two volumes, the stamps in the first volume being worth about \$600. Continuing Mr. Stevens said in answer to questions: The respondent came to my office about two years ago. That was the first time I saw him. He had postage stamps to sell and I purchased of him twice. I do not remember talking with him about my collection. He must have known that I had a collection of stamps because he offered to sell me stamps. On the 6th day of last October my collection was at my house, 197 Spring street. I have not seen it since. I learned that the stamps were lost when Mrs. Stevens telephoned to me at about half past three on the afternoon of October 6.

On cross examination, Mr. Stevens said he had no knowledge of the respondent's whereabouts on October 6.

ARTHUR W. BELL,

a resident of Portland and shipping clerk in Mr. Stevens's office, testified that he had known the respondent four years and a half and introduced him to Mr. Stevens about two years ago. He had talked with Mr. Bailey about Mr. Stevens's collection.

MRS. STEVENS

took the stand and told how she had given one of the volumes containing her husband's stamps to a young man on the 6th day of October and how last Monday she recognized young Bailey as the man who had taken the stamps and had followed him for some distance through the streets in an effort to have him apprehended. She positively identified the respondent as the young man who had taken the stamps. The attorneys asked few questions, and Mrs. Stevens told her story in a manner which interested everybody in the room. Mrs. Stevens said in substance:

I was at home on the 6th of October and saw the respondent on that day at about three o'clock. My nurse came upstairs and said a gentleman was at the door and wanted to see me about Mr. Stevens's stamps. I was not prepared to go down stairs and so sent the nurse to ask him about his message. The nurse asked him if Mr. Stevens had not given him an order for the stamps and he said no; that Mr. Stevens wanted to show the stamps to a gentleman who was going away by train. Even then I did not suspect the man's honesty but I stepped down stairs and asked him if he was an employe of Mr. Stevens and he answered rather abruptly "I am." I said I was surprised that Mr. Stevens had given him no order and he then stepped back and offered to go and get an order. I told him, however, I would give him the stamps and he followed me into the library. He said Mr. Stevens wanted only his United States stamps and I found the volume which contained the United States stamps and gave it to him. He said to me that he knew nothing about stamp but that he presumed those were the ones that Mr. Stevens wanted. Then he said "Can't you do them up?" and I wrapped the book in a piece of wrapping paper. I did not tie it up as he said not to mind the string. That was the first time he showed any evidence of haste. I went to the door with him and then, when he started away, I realized that I had made a mistake. He went away hurriedly. "I would not be understood to say that he ran away as a thief would run but he certainly went faster than any messenger sent by Mr. Stevens would do. I was not prepared to go out or I should have tried to overtake him. As soon as possible, I went to Mr. Gould's drug store and Mr. Gould telephoned to Mr. Stevens for me. I noticed the time when he left the house. It was 17 minutes past three and I thought "He is trying to catch the 3.30 train."

Mrs. Stevens then [described at length how on last Monday morning she saw Bailey in front of the store of Haskell and Jones and said to herself, "There is my stamp man." She followed him into the store of Loring, Short & Harmon and watched him while he made a

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purchase of a bottle of ink. Mrs. Stevens then asked the clerk if he would tell her the name of the young man and the clerk said it was William E. Bailey. Asked if it was not Warren Bailey, the clerk answered that it was Warren, saying he got Warren and William Bailey confused in his mind. Mrs. Stevens then followed Bailey up Congress street and saw him go into Stockbridge's music store. She stopped at Griffen's jewelry store to get a man there to telephone her husband. When Bailey was going up Congress street with Mrs. Stevens close behind him, he was apparently looking back over his shoulder. Mrs. Stevens thought when Bailey went into Stockbridge's he might be intending to elude her by passing out of the Casco street door and she tried to watch from the corner of Casco and Congress streets. She did not see him again, however, until he was under arrest. Then she [saw him in the sheriff's office and he said that he must have a double who was getting him into trouble and that he hoped this was not a put up job on account of his previous bad record among stamp collectors or words to that effect.

On cross examination, Mrs. Stevens described particularly the appearance of the man who took the stamps. She said he wore a blue coat and trousers of a different color, such as were usually worn with a cutaway coat. He had on no overcoat, a thing which was very noticeable because he seemed to be almost shivering with cold. Mrs. Stevens said that the man had a small moustache and she created considerable amusement when Mr. Meaher asked about the size of that hirsute adornment. Mrs. Stevens described it as an evidence of an attempt to raise a moustache.

"Should you say it was about a month's growth?" asked the attorney. "Oh, I am not tonsorial artist enough for that."

"Well, it was rather stubbly, was it?" "Yes, decidedly."

City Marshal Trikey testified that the respondent told him he had never seen Mrs. Stevens to know her prior to his arrest.

WARREN E. BAILEY,

the respondent was the first witness. He testified in answer to Mr. Meaher's questions: I have been writing cards and engraving door plates for the last year. For two months I have been [working in St. Johnsbury in the newspaper business. I am married. On the 6th of October I was in Brockton, Mass. I had some correspondence with my father at that time. At this point Mr. Meaher produced an envelope bearing the Brockton post mark "22 p. m. October 6." Mr. Meaher's method of putting in the letter led the court to direct him to first submit this and other papers to the county attorney. Continuing, Bailey said:

I do not remember writing to my father on that day but I always mailed my letters myself. I know that I mailed this letter on that day, from the post office stamp. I stayed while in Brockton with Mrs. Daniel B. Carr.

A postal card was also presented. The witness said: I know I wrote and mailed that postal card to my father. No one else mailed my letters.

I remember getting to Brockton the night before the Brockton fair began, either the last of September or the first of October. We stayed there ten days. I was not in Portland during that time. I did not go to Mr. Stevens's house to get the stamps. I supposed Mr. Stevens had a collection because he bought stamps of me. I learned from my father that there was a charge against me but when I came home he said it had all blown over. On Monday I went into the police station because it occurred to me on the street to go around to the police station and see what the trouble was about.

The witness described the clothing he wore early in October saying that he wore an overcoat and that his trousers differed from those he now wore almost as much as black from white. A statement which he made about his moustache or rather his attempts to raise one, was afterwards commented on by Mr. Webb in his argument. Bailey said that Mrs. Stevens's description of the evidences of a moustache which she saw on the man who took the stamps just fitted his own case.

ASKING QUESTIONS.

It Is a Woman's Prerogative, and She Uses It.

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JOHN H. CARNY,

a round faced young man who lives on Portland street in this city, testified that he was associated in business with Bailey and went with him to Brockton. They occupied the same room. The witness saw enough of Bailey to know that he did not visit Portland during the time they were living in Brockton. Bailey left Brockton between the 8th and 12th of October. The witness could not tell just what they were doing on the 6th of October. Bailey had a long black overcoat and wore it most of the time.

On cross examination, the witness testified that he got back to Portland about three weeks ago. During the Brockton residence, Bailey had "quite a few" stamps as he always did but he did no business in them at that time.

ALBION BAILEY,

clerk and salesman in Fred L. Merrill's jewelry store, testified that he is the father of the respondent. He testified to sending his son's overcoat to him in response to a request about the 20th of September. His son was away from the first of September to Christmas day. On the 7th of October, officer Fickett told the witness that there was some trouble in which his son was involved. He wrote and asked his son if he had done anything here which would get him into trouble. His son was in the habit of carrying stamps about with him.

On cross examination, the witness testified that he advised his son to go to the station on Friday, the day he got home, and learn what the charge was against him. He thought he mentioned the matter again and his son said he was going to the station.

WILLIAM U. HOWE,

of Portland, who has known the witness as a stamp collector, was called on the stand and testified that he remembered the witness wearing a moustache. He noticed that on Saturday when he saw the respondent that he looked as if his upper lip had been recently shaved. Bailey offered to sell to Mr. Howe a "Brattleboro" stamp worth \$200 or \$300. The respondent did not show the stamp but said he had it. Mr. Howe said that had he wanted the stamp he should have preferred not to buy it of Bailey.

On cross examination, the witness described the Brattleboro stamps, until Judge Robinson remarked to Mr. Meaher that the evidence was entertaining but hardly relevant.

This closest testimony.

MR. MEAHER

In his argument, laid stress upon the alibi which he claimed had been established beyond a doubt and assured the court that they had other evidence not proper for introduction here but which showed that Bailey was in Brockton on the 6th of October. The defence gave Mrs. Stevens every latitude in telling her version of the story. She had told it as she believed it but, Mrs. Stevens was

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not the first person to be mistaken. This young man has been arrested but from the beginning to the end he has averred his innocence. His father did what he could to aid the officers. He afterwards told his son that the affair had blown over, which accounted for Bailey's failure to go at once to the police station. Mr. Meaher claimed that the alibi justified Bailey's discharge.

MR. WEBB

said that he apprehended that the court would decide this case by the admissible evidence before it and not by assurances of what he could furnish if the court requested him to do so. In this case there is the direct testimony of Mrs. Stevens and she is corroborated in a singular manner by the respondent himself, for he testifies that when he does wear a moustache it is of the kind which Mrs. Stevens describes. Mr. Webb called attention to the fact that the letter in the envelope bearing the Brockton postmark was dated October 5. This letter might have been written on the 6th and mailed on the 6th. Bailey had a friend right there in Brockton who could have mailed it for him.

JUDGE ROBINSON

In announcing his decision said that the respondent was charged with an offence greater than those in which this court could pass judgment as to the guilt or innocence of the accused. The fact that the offence was committed was not denied. Consequently the duty of the court was limited to the question of probable cause. If the defence set up was believed by a jury it would lead to the acquittal of the respondent, but the government having made out a prima facie case, the judge deemed it his duty to hold the respondent.

Mr. Bailey did not succeed in securing bail yesterday and Deputy Sterling committed him to Portland jail.

New Corporations.

The following new corporations have filed their papers at the secretary of state's office: The American Tongue and Groove Rail Company, organized at Portland, for the purpose of manufacturing and doing business in railway supplies with \$50,000 capital stock, of which \$500 is paid in. The officers are: President, John F. Simmons of Boston; treasurer, Julius E. Northern of Boston.

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Mrs. Ella Castle the wife of the San Francisco millionaire, who was admitted to the Polyclinic hospital about three weeks ago, shortly after the return of the couple from the unpleasant experience in London, has left that institution perfectly well.

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THURSDAY, DECEMBER 31.

It is said that Mark Hanna has succeeded in inducing the Republican members of the Kentucky legislature to stop quarrelling and unite on John W. Yerkes for Senator to succeed Joe Blackburn.

The bank failures in the West are disquieting, but there is this redeeming feature, that the assets in every case are large, nearly if not quite equal to the liabilities.

The official figures reduce the popular majority for McKinley considerably below what it was expected it would be immediately after election.

The New York Evening Post, which is not an admirer of Mr. Platt, says he will be elected Senator by a practically unanimous vote.

A city charter is a public affair and reasons for supporting it or opposing it ought to be given to the public.

Both the Spanish and Cuban news mills seem to have shut down. No great battles, no dynamite explosions, no assassinations for almost a week.

Tammany Hall has split in two, Henry D. Purroy having revolted against the dictatorship of Sheehan, and with a large number of followers set up a new Tammany Hall.

The story that Spain had been sounding the European government with a view of finding out what their attitude would be in case of interference by the United States in Cuba seems to have been the product of somebody's imagination.

Spain has often promised the Cubans reforms as an inducement to keep the peace. But these reforms have never been forthcoming after the purpose in offering them had been accomplished.

One change in the tariff which the ways and means committee will certainly make is to substitute specific for ad valorem duties.

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and experience has shown the correctness of their position.

There is probably some truth in the rumor that Spain is seeking some agreement with us concerning Cuba, though the danger that the hot-headed Spanish populace might make it very uncomfortable for the ministry if they found it out, has compelled Senor Canovas to carry on his negotiations with great secrecy, and to deny even that any are under way.

Probably the province of Quebec is one of the most priest-ridden localities in the world, but there are abundant signs that there is a limit to church domination there.

Lewisohn is discussing the advisability of revising its city charter and introducing modern business methods. The Board of Trade has been considering the matter and the trend of its discussion, according to the Journal "was towards a consolidation of the two branches of the city government, the amplification of the power of the Mayor and the uprooting of the spoils system in municipal office."

IN THE OCEAN'S DEPTHS.

The Enormous Pressure Exerted by the Water in the Deepest Places. (From the Nineteenth Century.)

The temperature at the bottom of the ocean is nearly down to freezing point, and sometimes actually below it. There is a total absence of light, as far as sunlight is concerned, and there is an enormous pressure, reckoned at about one ton to the square inch in every 1,000 fathoms.

The fauna of the deep sea—with a few exceptions hitherto only known as fossils—are new and specially modified forms of families and genera inhabiting shallow waters in modern times, and have been driven down to the depths of the ocean by their more powerful rivals in the battle of life.

We know that at the surface this light is often very powerful, and Sir Wyville Thomson has recorded one occasion on which the sea at night was "a perfect blaze of phosphorescence, so strong that lights and shadows were thrown on the sails and it was easy to read the smallest print."

How the Anniversary of the Birth is Celebrated at the Birthplace. (Chicago News.)

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There is a splendid road between Jerusalem and Bethlehem and the drivers take one over the ground at a furious speed. Of course, the city is larger and better built than in the time of Christ, but otherwise has not changed very essentially.

Inside the structure is very ancient, some of it dating from the time of Constantine. In the Latin chapel of St. Catherine services are held all night and at midnight the patriarch of Jerusalem says mass. The chapel is filled with people sitting on the floor. Then the procession repairs to the Grotto of Nativity, under the church. Originally this was simply a natural cave in a limestone rock—of course the original manger was not preserved.

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MUSIC AND DRAMA.

The Nordica Concert.

Portland theatre has not held a more musical or more critical audience for a long time than that which assembled there last evening. It was an audience by no means confined to our own citizens, but included many from other cities, who had availed themselves of the opportunity afforded them to hear Maine's great singer. It was not as large as it would have been if the tickets had been less expensive, for \$2.50 and \$2 for admission to a concert are prices that Maine people cannot afford. Even in the great musical centres such prices are more apt to prevail to opera than concert. If the managers had more than an admission of \$1—and we do not recall an instance before when the managers of Mme. Nordica, Mme. Melba, Mme. Eames, or any of the great artists have asked more than \$1.50, with an admission of a dollar—they would doubtless have had a crowded house and a most appreciative audience as well.

But what a delightful concert it was. The audience greeted Mme. Nordica most enthusiastically; they called her out again and again; they presented her superb bouquet, and in a most demonstrative manner showed their delight and pleasure at seeing and listening to her once again. It has been said that "a prophet is without honor in his own country." In the case of Mme. Nordica and her audience last night, the old saw was not applicable. What a commanding and attractive stage presence she has. Her superb costume of white brocade, with tulips embroidered thereon, and turned out with chery, was exceedingly modest, and she wore a wealth of diamonds. On her head was the magnificent tiara presented by a number of New York friends the last season. Mme. Nordica was in excellent voice. She sang with great fervor, and she was exceedingly generous in the matter of encores. Although she was down on the programme for only three numbers, she sang a half dozen times. She afforded an opportunity to hear her in almost all styles of music from Wagner to the simple ballad. Her first number was the brilliant aria from Franz Elkel's opera "St. Erzebeth," that she sang at the Worcester festival last September and which has rarely been heard in this country. It is a remarkable dramatic composition, and displays the voice most effectively. It is tinged with the folk music of Hungary and its wild, irregular melody is quaint and impressive. The opera was first produced in Pesti in 1857, and founded on the story of St. Erzebeth of Hungary, 1207-1231, canonized by Gregory I, for the charitable deeds that she performed. The aria is in two parts, the first representing Erzebeth as mourning for her children from whom she has been separated, and the second rejoicing at the prospect of being reunited to them. The closing of the aria, as given by the magnificent voice of Mme. Nordica, was simply grand. For her second number the prima donna sang the great aria "Dich theure Halle," from "Tannhauser," in fine style. For encores she charmed with Becker's "Spring Song," a delightful cradle song, "Where the Bee Sings," and "When Love is Kind."

There is evidently no small jealousy in Mme. Nordica's disposition, for she brought with her the great contralto Soplha Scatchell. Musical students would have found it worth many dollars to them if they had heard her magnificent rendering of "Ah Rendini," a song of Klossi, in which the wondrous power and volume, and technical skill of the great singer's voice were thoroughly displayed. And so with the great aria from the Bugenots, "Nobill Signor." Not only was the page's song given perfectly, but the skill of the actress was plainly shown all through it. She responded to the hearty encores of both her numbers. Barron Berthold has a robust tenor voice and a great deal of musical expression. He is better in dramatic music than in lyric. Those who have heard Brignoli in the air from "La Forza de Destino," or "Rigoletto," will never forget those silvery tones that will haunt their memory to the last. But Mr. Berthold sings with so much life that he captivates his audience. And this same vim, if we may use the word, the baritone, Mr. Dempsey displayed in great degree. His voice is of excellent compass and flexibility. He gave Handel's "Honor and Arms," in true oratorio style, and Mephistopheles's song from "Faust" with power and intelligence. Perhaps, however, his rendering of "Off for Philadelphia in the Morning" pleased as much as anything for the admirable coloring he gave to the popular ballad.

The concert closed with a brilliant rendering of the great quartette from "Rigoletto," and the audience reluctantly left the hall. Mr. Isadore Luckstone, who is an admirable pianist, and who was warmly applauded for his capital performance of Liszt's "Sixth Rhapsody," played the accompaniments of the evening most satisfactorily. After the concert Mme. Nordica received many of those in the audience who called to pay the respects. Thos. Q. Seabrooke. Mr. Broadhurst has written many happy expressions for Thomas Q. Seabrooke in the play of "The Speculator." None are more apropos of the character of the man than when he exclaims, "I'm short on grammar, but long on earth." During his youth his time was occupied in earning a living which left but little chance for attending school, but still the kindness of heart and love for his family are all there, and it is in the portrayal of these qualities that Mr. Seabrooke rises to the most convincing and moving heights, and is genuine beyond expression. Not even in the comedy situations of the piece is he ever artificial, and he gives to the role a finish and cleverness in light and shade that renders it most interesting. At Portland Theatre, January 1st and 2nd this fine attraction will be enjoyed.

SANTA ON WHEELS.

St. Nick Reaches Williston Church on a Bike.

He Said It Was on Account of Lack of Snow—The Blessedness of Giving the Keynote of the Evening.

Old St. Nicholas defied all tradition last night, by riding boldly down the aisle of Williston church on a bike. He explained the innovation by saying there was too little snow for his sleigh and reindeers. The occasion was the "Gift Christmas," of the Sunday school. Acting on the doctrine that "It is more blessed to give than receive," the people of Williston enjoyed one of the brightest evenings in their history last night. Instead of the Christmas tree for the school itself, this year it was decided that each class should bring to the festival an offering for the poor, and they have been making to this end for sometime, and last evening witnessed the happy fruits of their labors. After a most entertaining programme, the classes came forward at the call of Superintendent Morton and deposited their gifts on the platform. Many of the classes wore in unique costume and the effect as they passed their gifts up to Santa Claus, who was waiting for them was beautiful. When the 24 classes had all been called the platform was fairly groaning with the good things of food and raiment that will go far to make bright and comfortable many a cheerless home for the New Year.

Rev. Mr. Pratt in his brief remarks at the close of the service alluded feelingly to the real joy of such a tree. Christmas spirit and the radiant faces of the children showed that they had caught the real inspiration of the Christmastide. The following programme was most pleasingly rendered: Organ Prelude. Selection, Mandolin and Guitar Club. Recitation, Winslow Hutchinson. Song, Miss Plummer. Selection, Mandolin and Guitar Club. Recitation, Vera Peters. Song, Mrs. Sparrow. Reading, Miss Hayes. Selection, Mandolin and Guitar Club. Reading, Miss Oram. Song, Mrs. Sparrow.

PORTLAND BOWLING LEAGUE.

Camp Columbia Won Its Second Consecutive Game, Defeating the Waverlys.

Last night's game at Pine's alleys was duly celebrated by the team of Camp Columbia, which won its second consecutive game in the bowling tournament. A big figure two, large enough to express the team's jubilation of its victory adorns the board on which the league games are scheduled and such yelling and deafening applause as greeted Camp Columbia's players when the result of the contest was made known, was the best of evidence of this team's popularity. As a matter of fact Camp Columbia has improved wonderfully in bowling lately and although they now bring up in the tall end of the procession, they are determined to end up near the top when the tournament is over. As an example of their improvement the score of Merry last night is pointed out with pride. Merry's total in three strings of 812 is the best made so far in the tournament, and Camp Columbia feels justly proud of the achievement. The summary:

CAMP COLUMBIAS.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2, Total. Includes Smith, Merry, Dookerty, Fickett, Waterhouse.

WAVERLYS.

Table with 4 columns: Name, Score 1, Score 2, Total. Includes Armsby, Dennis, Craig, Dyer, Cobb.

Portland Bowling League Standing.

Table with 4 columns: Team, Won, Lost, Per Cent. Includes Crescents, Imperials, Orient, Tontines, Waverlys, Camp Columbia.

The highest string ever made in Pine's alleys and so far as known the state record with candle pins was rolled on December 29, by Driscoll, a member of the Catholic Literary Society's team. The score was 144 and will probably remain untouched for some time. The next game in the tournament will be played on January 2 between the Imperials and Crescents.

Portland Council, No. 1, A. P. A.

The Portland council had a clam supper at their council chamber last evening. There was a large attendance. The installation of officers will occur at the next meeting when there will be another sapper free to all members.

The action of the Roman Catholic bishops in Montreal as reported in the press despatches of Wednesday was the subject of remark. The question was asked when will the people resent with indignation the same kind of proscription now constantly practiced in the United States?

The Sheridan's Ball.

City Hall should be crowded on the evening of Jan. 6th, the date of the concert, drill and ball of the Sheridan Rifles. They are a most deserving company and should be well patronized by our dance loving public. The drill will be one of the best given by this company.

New Odd Fellows' Hall.

The new Odd Fellows' hall in the Baxter building will be opened for the inspection of the public today from 2 p. m. to 10 p. m.

In these days of disappointment it is a gratification to know that one can buy a bottle of Salvation Oil for 25 cents.

STOLE A LAUNDRY BUNDLE.

And As a Consequence Are Now in Durance Vile.

Edward O. Plowman and William S. Conley were going down Park street on Christmas eve and saw a bundle of laundry on the steps of Z. F. Little's house at 96 Park street. Visions of Christmas presents apparently thrust upon them were too strong to be resisted, and they scooped the bundle and later divided the spoils. It was too "good a thing" to be kept. One of the culprits told "another feller," "another feller" told still another, he told a fellow boarder who told a teamster, who told the driver of a laundry wagon, who told the driver of the Globe laundry team, who told the deputy marshal, who told Officer Fickett, who told the young men to come to the station, and they came, completing the evolution of the sad thing too good to keep. The wheels of Judge Robinson's legal mill grind out "justice for two" this morning.

Mr. Little is recovering his laundry in sections.

FOR SWEET CHARITY.

Brilliant Whist Party at the Falmouth Last Evening.

Progressive whist for sweet charity's sake was the order of the evening at the Falmouth Hotel, last evening, when one of the most brilliant company's of the season assembled to play whist for charity, each player paying for the privilege and the proceeds going to worthy charities. The Invincible Home and Home for Friendless Boys. The party numbered over 200 and there were forty-eight tables of players. The handsome parlors of the Falmouth were specially decorated for the occasion with a profusion of flowers and plants and the brilliant costumes of the guests presented a most attractive scene. There were eight prizes in all; 4 each, for ladies and gentlemen.

The announcement of the solution of the mystery that the unknown was one of Portland's popular young ladies who had taken the part of a gentleman, to make up an even number. The committee are under great obligation to Mr. J. K. Martin of the Falmouth, who put the house and attaches at their service free of expense. A handsome sum will be realized for the charities and the first "Charity Whist Party" held in Portland must be recorded a distinct success.

FLOATING ABOUT THE HARBOR.

Items of Interest and Otherwise Picked Up Along Shore.

The schooner William Cobb has finished repairs and is now ready for sea. The Cobb came in here a week or more ago, having carried away her mizzenmast.

The United States government buoy steamer Lillac was at work in the harbor yesterday taking up the buoys and replacing them with winter spar buoys. The bell buoy off the Bug Light, and the fair way buoy in the ship channel were taken up.

The only lobster arrival yesterday was the Hermann Reefing with 4200 lobsters. There were no fish arrivals. The Laurentian will sail tomorrow with a big cargo and will take along a good sized passenger list.

The schooner Northern Light, bound from Boston for Harrington port into Bar Harbor last week and landed Lincoln Ingalls, a passenger who was ill with typhoid fever. Ingalls has since died and his body has been sent to Harrington.

The steamer St. Croix of the International line, recently made the trip from Portland to Quebec in twelve hours and fifty-six minutes, taking a big cargo and a large passenger list.

The schooner William Jones is discharging coal at Randall & McAllister's wharf.

The schooner Melissa A. Willey is discharging a cargo of hard pine at the Grand Trunk wharf.

The brig Henry B. Cleaves is discharging coal at Sergeant & Dennison's.

The schooner Nellie F. Sawyer will discharge her cargo of coal at Spear's wharf, South Portland.

The schooner Alice Morgan while off the Cape the same morning that the Carter vessel went ashore, lost her foremast. She sighted the Carter.

The time consumed in the voyage of the four masted schooner William B. Palmer from Hampton Roads to Antwerp, Belgium was twenty-seven days. The Palmer left Portland November 3rd for Baltimore to receive her cargo.

The famous Sewall ship Solitaire of Bath, was dismasted a few months ago on the coast, while on her way to San Francisco. She was brought back to New York and has now met the fate of many of her predecessors. From now hence the Solitaire will be utilized as a coal barge by her owner, Lewis Luckenbach, of 129 Broad street, New York.

The schooner Modoc, Lindsay, arrived at New Haven yesterday in a badly crippled condition. She left Bangor early in December with a cargo of lumber for Stonington and New Haven. After leaving three times on account of head winds and heavy seas, losing foremasting, headgear and mainmast; she will repair at New Haven.

The new steamer John Englis is in New York and will sail for Portland on a day or two.

The schooner Seth M. Todd, Captain Johnson, came in late Monday night with jib and mainmast torn.

Captain Johnson reported that he encountered very bad weather. After evening New York the wind was favorable at first but soon veered about, and the weather was very rough. The schooner was in the trough of the sea, was washed badly and labored hard. Captain Johnson said yesterday that he seldom encountered a worse sea.

The Todd has now finished discharging coal and will shortly sail for Orlais, where she will lay up for the rest of the winter.

NORDICA ON MUSICAL FESTIVAL.

Great Singer Gives It Her Cordial Endorsement.

Prof. W. R. Chapman of the Musical Festival was in the city last evening and called on Mme. Nordica. Before leaving the lady gave him the following letter which will be read with interest by Maine people:

Portland, December 30, 1896. My dear Mr. Chapman—I am perfectly sure that I have heard regarding the coming festival is true, that it will be a great success. As a daughter of Maine, I am naturally most enthusiastic myself; and how can I evince my enthusiasm more substantially than by pledging myself to lend my voice to the great and glorious cause in October, '97, until which time I shall not sing again in my native state.

Knowing well your ability to electrify a chorus, I have no difficulty in believing that a mammoth chorus from Maine will accomplish results which will be astonishing and lasting. I feel perfectly sure that the people of Maine will be impressed with the importance of this great movement by the fact that you are willing to give your valuable time thereto in the great hope of rousing them to a sense of their musical duty.

With cordial hopes of your success in this great undertaking. LILLIAN NORDICA DOME.

USED TO LIVE IN PORTLAND.

Looking for Heirs of John Baird Who Left \$90,000 Funds.

John Marshall, solicitor of No. 7 Union street, Boness, Scotland, has written a letter to "The Town Clerk, Portland, Me., U. S. A." Mr. Marshall says he has been consulted by Mrs. Margaret Doig, wife of Dr. John Doig of Bathgate in the county of Lintlithgow with reference to a paragraph that appeared in the Kyneton Guardian of September 12th, a paper published in Victoria, Australia. In reference to this paragraph Mr. Marshall says Mrs. Doig stands in the same relation to Baird as Alexander Hardie, Baird was a grand-uncle, not uncle, as stated in the paragraph of both Alexander Hardie and Mrs. Doig.

The father of Baird, John Baird distiller, was born at Muirhouse farm, parish of Boness, Scotland, about the end of the last century, left that country for America and settled in Portland. He died March 6th, 1848, survived by the son John, who is the one probably to who the fortune was left. John Baird, the son, wrote a letter from Gorham, near Portland, to his aunt—his father's sister-in-law—at Boness, March 23rd, 1848, intimating the death of his father. In his letter John Baird, the son, states he has three in his family and it will therefore appear that they all predeceased him. Besides Mrs. Doig, Mr. John Baird, inspector of the poor at Boness, is in the same relation to John Baird as Alexander Hardie. Mr. Marshall asks of our Portland city clerk all the information he can give him.

The paragraph in the Australian paper says that Mr. Alexander Hardie of Chery, near Vyneter, has received from his brother, Mr. Peter Hardie of Geelong, a communication directing his attention to a notice of a next to kin which was published in 1893, requiring claimants of a fortune of \$90,000 pounds left in America by a man named Baird, who appears to be identical with an uncle on his mother's side of Mr. Alexander Hardie. Baird was a distiller in Scotland, but left for America many years ago. He had two sisters, both of whom are dead, and as Baird has died intestate his property, if full claim is established will accrue to the Hardie family of whom there are three, Peter, Alexander and a sister. If necessary, one of the brothers, Hardie, will proceed to America to sustain the claim.

BRIEFLY TOLD.

The North German Gazette, a semi-official journal, confirms the statement that Germany refuses to accept the newly appointed Chinese ambassador. The refusal, the Gazette says, is based upon personal and essential reasons.

A despatch from Alexandria says a vessel flying the French flag which recently passed that port, ostensibly for China, did not go through the Suez canal, but turned northward, indicating the belief that the intention of those on board was to smuggle arms into the island of Crete for use of the Cretan insurgents.

A reconciliation between King Alexander of Servia and his father, ex-King Milan, has been effected and ex-King Milan will shortly return to Belgrade to reside. The coming of Milan to Belgrade will cause ex-Queen Natalia, the wife of the ex-king, and the mother of King Alexander, to depart from the capital, the relations of the royal couple not being of a friendly nature.

Herring are abundant in Placentia and along the west coast of Newfoundland. Thirty American schooners are leaving all Placentia and eleven have sailed for Gloucester with full loads. The cold weather of the past fortnight aids greatly in freezing the herring.

James G. Mullins, captain of the Jackson Light Infantry, Co. E, fourth Virginia regiment, was found dead beneath the window of his room in the back yard of the Gladstone hotel in Norfolk, Va., Tuesday. A coroner's jury returned a verdict that the deceased came to his death by a fall.

The football games between the Texas and Missouri University elevens, which took place Sunday and Tuesday were well attended. Yesterday's game resulted in a draw. The Mexican papers say that football is too rough and brutal a game to come in favor in the City of Mexico.

Five compositors in the Biddeford Times office left work Wednesday afternoon, their grievance being that four and a half weeks' wages are due them. They have retained counsel and will place an attachment on the plant. Proprietor William A. Roberts is out of town. The paper was issued as usual.

Also Wednesday morning completely gutted the factory and barrel factory of the Wm. S. Robinson company of East Pearl street, Fairhaven, Conn. Loss \$30,000.

Washington special to the New York Sun says that Senator Sherman is opposed to the creation of a permanent tariff commission and believes that the passage of a revenue tariff act by the 55th Congress will restore business prosperity.

Miss Maud J. Naugler, aged 35, living at 7 Madison street, Somerville, was struck by an express train at Winter Hill station at eight o'clock yesterday morning and was fatally injured. Miss Naugler was employed as a clerk in a Boston music store.

PORTLAND NECROLOGY.

Well Known and Aged People Who Have Died During the Past Year.

Table with 2 columns: Name and Age. Lists names of deceased individuals and their ages.

Death of Sacc Veteran.

Saco, Dec. 30.—Shaldron Tibbetts, aged 85, a prominent citizen of this city and a veteran of the late war died here tonight. He was a private in the 16th Maine Regiment and distinguished himself by gallant service at the battle of Gettysburg. During the second day in this engagement Mr. Tibbetts volunteered to drive an ammunition wagon across a field which was exposed to a heavy fire, to supply a battery. The service was so dangerous that few men would have cared to have undertaken it. When half way across the field a shell exploded under the ammunition wagon and Mr. Tibbetts was blown 75 feet in the air and rendered totally deaf. He recovered from his terrible agonies and since the war has always received a pension from the government in recognition of his valuable services. Mr. Tibbetts left a wife and one son and a host of friends to mourn his death.

New Year's Reception.

The Y. M. C. A. will hold "open house" New Year's afternoon and evening. A general invitation is extended to all citizens, both ladies and gentlemen, to attend. A musical programme has been arranged and refreshments will be served.

St. Luke's Choir Entertained.

Bishop and Mrs. Neely entertained the members of St. Luke's choir at their residence last night. A most delightful evening was enjoyed by all present.

Mr. Vernon Man Lost.

Monk Vernon, N. Y., December 30.—Arthur H. Darling, aged 85, one of the largest builders in this city, disappeared from home here December 21st. Nothing has been heard of him since. He had many heavy contracts under way in Westbrook, Wakefield and this city. It is said that his liabilities on these will reach a million dollars. His assets will not average five per cent on that amount. Darling came here from Boston about a year ago.

MARRIAGES.

In this city, Dec. 30, by Rev. W. S. Ayres, Albert W. Brackett and Miss Edith M. Delano, both of Portland.

In East Portland, Dec. 27, by Rev. R. L. Howard, Fred Fenderson of Gorham and Miss May Ella Burnell of Parsonsfield.

In North Alfred, Dec. 19, Simon Kicker of Shapleigh and Mrs. Sarah Gle.

In Brunswick, Dec. 28, Bertram R. Jordan of Denmark and Miss Augusta E. Cram of Hiram.

In Leeds, Dec. 23, Carroll A. Bryant and Miss Jennie P. Hays.

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See them in the corner window.

TWENTY STYLES, maybe thirty in this Five hundred pair lot. Gloves (and mittens) for Teamsters, for motormen, for Gentlemen's driving, for Street and for Dress.

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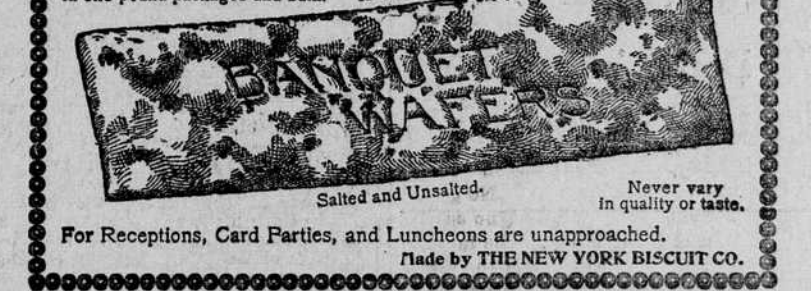
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Table with 2 columns: Name and Age. Lists names of children and their ages.



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Portland Wholesale Market.

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Table listing various stocks such as National Bank, Commercial Bank, and others with their respective values and changes.

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Direct Steamship Line. From Boston every Wednesday and Saturday. From Philadelphia every Wednesday and Saturday.

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THE PRESS.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS TODAY.

Eastman Bros. & Bancroft. Bines Bros. Owen, Moore & Co. J. R. Libby. Messenger's notice.

AMUSEMENTS.

Polo at City Hall. Portland Theatre.

New Wants To Let, For Sale, Lost, Found and similar advertisements will be found under their appropriate heads on Page 8.

The Handsomest Yet.

The most beautiful Calendar for 1897 comes from Boston. It is eleven by fifteen inches and contains reproductions from cabinet size photo graphs of Mary Hampton, May Irwin and Maud Adams, the popular actresses. Its prominent colors are enamel, blue and brown enriched by gold, elaborately embossed, producing an elegant and artistic creation. One of these calendars will be sent to any address if you mention this paper, and send ten cents in coin or stamps covering cost of packing and postage to the publishers. THE X-ZALIA COMPANY, 3 Beacon St., Boston, Mass.

YARMOUTH ELECTRIC ROAD.

What the Builders of the Road Must Do the Coming Year.

Mr. Louis B. Whelidon, of Boston, constructor and engineer for the Yarmouth electric road, was in Portland on Tuesday. He arrived at 1 p. m., and returned at 3.30 p. m. The county commissioners showed Mr. Whelidon the details of the manner in which the road was to cross Martin's Point bridge. The plan is for the road to cross the bridge on the northwesterly side, and to lay flat rails on the bridge part, which is 1300 feet in length, and on the fill, which is 400 feet long, the T rail must be used. The commissioners will formulate the specifications and agreements immediately, and the company propose to make the changes this winter. Mr. Whelidon thought only a part of the road would be built this coming year, and as it is necessary for the road to build five miles from Portland, the road will doubtless be constructed to Underwood Springs, on the Cumberland line.

BRIEF JOTTINGS.

The annual smoker of the Portland Yacht Club will take place tonight.

The annual meeting of the Martha Washington Society will be held in rooms 1 and 2 Congress Square hotel this afternoon.

Yesterday afternoon the Rossini Club were entertained at the Casino at River-ton and held a musicale in the hall over the cafe.

A man went through the city Tuesday en route for Caribou from the west on a novel vehicle. It had little wheels, no larger than those on a safety, and runners attached but above, so that in case he struck snow he could drive along with the same outfit.

A proposition is on foot to add an extra permanent man to engine companies 1, 4 and 5.

One of the social events of the week will be the "at home" of Mr. and Mrs. George Setton McKenney, which will occur January 1, from 3 until 5 and from 8 until 10 o'clock at 16 Prospect street.

First shad of the season at the Congress Square fish market, Sargent & Co., proprietors.

A well-known New York business man said yesterday: "I can't tell you what a relief it is after spending the last two weeks trying to get around and do business by means of the congested electric and cable car system of New York and Boston to come to Portland and enjoy the comforts of your splendid street car lines. In all my travels I never have seen a finer equipped or better running road."

Yesterday was fine in the morning, then mild and damp.

Thomas Dwyer of New York, who has the contract for building the new light house in the harbor, is in town, stopping at the Falmouth.

The Y. P. C. U. and ladies' aid of the Church of the Messiah, will give a reception to the pastor and his wife on New Year's evening in the vestry. Members of the parish and friends are cordially invited.

At a meeting of citizens held in Springvale Tuesday evening, it was voted not to accept the proposition made by Shaw, Goding & Co., of Portland. This will put a stop to any shoe factory scheme in Springvale for some time.

Arthur L. Farnsworth, Harry R. Leach and George L. Norton have been drawn for traverse jurors in the Supreme Judicial court.

W. I. Houston of the Church of Christ will preach in Oasis hall, Knightville, on Friday evening. Subject, "The perfection of the Christian System." Services begin at 7.45. All are cordially invited to attend.

Mystic lodge, I. O. G. T., will have their annual Christmas tree on Friday, New Year's evening. Members and friends are invited to bring presents and put them on the tree. A short entertainment will be given.

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R. H. Farnham of Boston, the electrical engineer of the telephone company, is in the city making some improvements in the central office.

A lady fainted in the balcony of Portland theatre last evening.

A T. O. P. dancing party will be held at Gilbert's hall, Tuesday evening, January 26, for which invitations have been issued.

Ladies' Aid, S. of V.

The Ladies' Aid of Shepley Camp, S. of V., will hold a public installation of officers and entertainment at their hall, Monday evening, Jan. 4th. The officers will be installed by a Past President of the Society. The officers and members of Shepley Camp have accepted an invitation to be present on this occasion.

FROM THE JAWS OF DEATH.

Capt. McLean, of Schooner Jones, Narrow Escape.

Was Washed Overboard During a Storm Off Fire Island Last Week and Saved His Life by Grasping a Rope End Which Went Overboard With Him—A Thrilling Story.

Captain William McLean of the schooner William Jones, which is now discharging coal at Randall & McAllister's, has good reason to be thankful that he is alive and well today. On his trip here from New York, Capt. McLean had about as close a call as a man ever had and came as near going to Davy Jones's locker as a man could and not go. It happened in this way: The William Jones loaded with coal at New York and sailed for Portland from that place a week ago yesterday. Hardly had the schooner stuck her nose outside the Hook when it began to blow great guns, and by nightfall the sea was running very high and the schooner, heavily laden as she was, had her decks washed about all the time. To make matters worse, a fierce, blinding snow storm set in and it was impossible to see a vessel's length ahead.

About 11 o'clock at night, when the schooner was off Fire Island, all hands excepting the steward, were on deck, and had their hands full in keeping the vessel on her course and a bit of sail on her. At about noon this time the fore staysail was badly torn and Capt. McLean sent the mate and all hands forward to furl the sail. The captain took the wheel himself and after waiting sometime without hearing anything from the men in the fore-castle, he feared that they might have been washed overboard. Capt. McLean secured the wheel a moment and ran forward as far as the fore-mast to see what had become of the men. He saw that they were all right and at work securing the sail and started to run back to the wheel again.

Just as Capt. McLean reached the main rigging a big wave boarded the schooner and before he had time to realize what had happened, washed him over the low rail and into the sea. Capt. McLean had on heavy sea boots, a pair of mittens and two big overcoats. These weighed Capt. McLean down like a piece of lead, but by vigorous kicking succeeded in getting his head above water very quickly. When he came up Capt. McLean saw looming above him the black hull of the schooner. She was to the windward of the man in the water, and Capt. McLean believed his last minute on earth had come. Just at that second Capt. McLean felt something touch his hand. With the despair of a drowning man he grabbed it and found it to be a rope. In another second the rope was jerked short and Capt. McLean still hanging on to it like grim death, was swung in by the schooner's side. A big wave lifted him upwards at just the right time. Capt. McLean threw his arm over the vessel's rail and swung himself onto the vessel's deck. The whole transaction had not taken half as much time as it will take to read this, and Capt. McLean's escape was a most miraculous one. The coil of rope which saved Capt. McLean's life was the main peak halliards, which had been washed overboard at the same time as Capt. McLean and had possibly become entangled around him in the water. None of the crew of the William Jones knew that their captain had been washed overboard, and had it not been for the rope, Capt. McLean would have gone down without an effort being made to save him by the men on the schooner.

A Smoke-Talk.

This evening George Washington Council No. 30, Order of United American Mechanics will hold their stated meeting in Sons of Veterans' hall on Plum street at 8 o'clock. The election of officers will take place, after which lunch will be served and a "smoke-talk" indulged in, while the closing hours of the old year are rolling out. Mr. Latham Confined to His Bed. We regret to learn that Mr. W. W. Latham is not likely to so soon recover from the effect of the recent Grand Trunk railway accident, as was expected. Mr. Latham is 65 years old and weighs 230 pounds, and the fearful flight that he took across the seats of the car and its plunging down the embankment, left a bad bruise and strain upon him. His physician, indicates that Mr. Latham may have to remain in his bed for some time, and while no doubts of his recovery are entertained, it must come from quiet and care. The trouble is in the tearing away of nerves and muscles at the spine, giving much pain and requiring absolute rest.

Fire Department Ball.

Tonight the Relief Association of the Portland Fire Department will give their ninth annual entertainment and ball at City Hall, and the indications are that there will be a crowd present. The evening's exercises will begin with an entertainment from 8 to 8.30 o'clock, given by Burns and Ninon, assisted by Robert and Nellie Burns, direct from Tony Pastor's Theatre, New York, who are illustrators of popular songs by the stereopticon, which will include original scenes from late conflagrations in Portland. The grand march will begin at half past nine o'clock, and a fine order of dances will be offered. The Relief Association is a noble charity, and the receipts should be something handsome.

The Bachelor Case.

The Sheriff, Deputy Dresser, and Dr. Alfred King have returned from Sebago. Dr. King made an autopsy. He found no fracture of Bachelor's skull. The officials at present have nothing to say in regard to the matter, as the inquest will be held at the County Attorney's room in this city tomorrow. From outside sources we hear that the impression still prevails among those who have given on the subject the most attention that Bachelor's death was the result of accident.

LOOTING THE WRECK.

Tow Boats and Fishermen Reaping a Harvest on Alden's Rock.

Yesterday forenoon the marine underwriters abandoned the wreck of the Robert I. Carter on Alden's rock and turned her over as a prize to the wreckers. There are no hopes of saving the vessel and everything of value that could be saved, has been shipped from the wreck.

The Carter had on board when she went ashore about 12,000 tons of hard coal. Yesterday there was a perfect swarm of small boats about the wreck engaged in taking off coal. Every fisherman along the Cape shore, every coasting schooner and all manner and kinds of craft, have been looting the wreck, and fully 800 tons of coal have so far been removed. Many men along the Cape shore have already obtained enough coal to last them a year or more, and as coal now is selling at nearly \$8 a ton, a very profitable day's work can be done on Alden's rock.

Only one difficulty is in the way of the wreckers, however. The vessel's hold is full of water all the time now, even at low water, and it is a little difficult to get at the coal. But the wreckers are very persevering fellows and if the good weather continues they will soon get out of the wreck all that man can save.

The most elaborate attempt to get coal of this wreck was made by the tow boats Demarest and Belknap, and the scow Ribber. This scow has on board a little donkey engine of her own, and with this and the aid of a large crew of men about 45 tons of fine coal was loaded on to the scow and towed into the harbor yesterday. If the weather continues good these towboats will visit the wreck again today with a crew of men and try to get out more coal. The first heavy sea, however, will put an end to all ventures of this kind and destroy what little remains of the Robert I. Carter.

PERSONAL.

Mr. Geo. B. Bagley of the Telegram is confined to the house with muscular rheumatism.

George E. Fickett, formerly with the Consolidated Electric Light Company of this city, has accepted a position with the Baltimore Electric Power Company.

Judge E. Foster of Bethel, is registered at the Falmouth.

Mr. D. B. Harrell of Cambridge, Mass., is spending the holidays with H. W. Eastman, 53 Boyd street.

Rev. A. K. P. Small of Biddeford, will attend the roll call meeting of the First Baptist church this evening. He was pastor of this church for nearly seven years.

OBITUARY.

Walter L. Abbott. M. L. Abbott, who died in Dexter, Tuesday, for 44 years had been in the counting room of Amos Abbott and Co. He was a director of the First National bank, president of the Loan and Building association and an active member of the Universalist society. He had been a member of Plymouth lodge, I. O. O. F., for years, and was a past grand. He was a member of the legislature in 1879 and 1880, as representative from Dexter and Corinna. He is survived by a wife and two children, Miss Winnie and Dr. E. S. Abbott of Bridgton. His wife was Miss Julia Sewall, daughter of Rev. Daniel Sewall, and grand-daughter of Rev. Josiah Sewall, one of the founders of the Bangor Theological seminary.

Watch Night Services.

Tonight the following programme will be carried out at Congress street church: At 7.30 a praise service; 8, address by the Rev. D. M. Pratt; 8.45, intermission; 9, song service; 9.15, sermon by the Rev. Thomas S. Samson; 10, intermission 10.15, song service; 10.30 address by Rev. E. R. Purdy; 11.15, testimonies and exhortations; 12, midnight consecration and benediction, concluding with New Year's greetings. The annual watch night services will be held at the Gospel Mission, this evening when the following will be the programme: 7.45 o'clock, concert by the children of the Sunday school; 9.30, Bible reading; 10.30, Washingtonian temperance meeting; 11.45, consecration service; 12.05, happy new year. All are welcome.

Queer Case on Waterville Street.

A queer story was told a PRESS reporter yesterday by a gentleman who lives on Waterville street. He said that a night or two ago one of his neighbors and his wife went away from home, leaving three young daughters alone in the house. During the night the girls heard some one moving about the house, but were too frightened to investigate it or to see who it was. At daylight they crept down stairs and found charred paper on the hall way and also in the attic of the house and the wood work in the hall had been badly burned. It is thought that some one entered the house through the back door which was left unfastened, and made an attempt to fire the building.

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Causes fully half the sickness in the world. It retains the digested food too long in the bowels and produces biliousness, torpid liver, indigestion, bad taste, coated tongue, sick headache, insomnia, etc. Hood's Pills cure constipation and all its results, easily and thoroughly. 25c. All druggists. Prepared by C. I. Hood & Co., Lowell, Mass. The only Pills to take with Hood's Sarsaparilla.

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Advertisement for Eastman Bros. & Bancroft featuring a 'RED FIGURE SALE OF REMNANTS AND ODD LOTS.' It includes a 'NEXT WEEK' box and lists items like Women's Woolen Underwear, Corsets, and various dress goods.

TUESDAY, Jan. 5th.

Women's Woolen Underwear. Women's Hosiery. Corsets--Outing Flannels, Blankets--Spreads. Woolens--Cottons. Prints--Ginghams.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Colored Dress Goods. Dress Trimmings. Lace. White Goods. Embroideries.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Black Dress Goods. Silks--Velvets. Table Linens. Towels--Crashes. Muslin Underwear.

NEW ADVERTISEMENTS.

Men's Furnishings. Women's Gloves. Handkerchiefs. Linings--Buttons. Notions--Small Wares.

Eastman Bros. & Bancroft.

The weather today is likely to be Fair. Portland, December 31, 1896.

THE Great Special Sale of House-keeping Linens continues today and the rest of this week. To fill the great gaps made in the stock by Wednesday morning's selling several fresh lots will be added.

Remember this is our regular annual January Linens Sale, the only one of the year. You can hardly afford to miss it.

OWEN, MOORE & CO.

The Whittier Homestead, The home of the poet Whittier in Amesbury, Mass., which has been unoccupied since Judge Gate's family vacated it, has been let to Mr. George Ellis, who will occupy it during the present week.

Mrs. Pickard of Portland, to whom the poet willed it, with the contents and other property, has been at work for some time directing the removal of the Whittier portraits and a portion of the furnishings to her home in Boston, where they can be cared for.

Before removing anything the location of portraits, pictures and furniture was carefully indexed for the benefit of any changes which might be made whereby the home might become permanently a "Whittier memorial," so they could be restored as in Mr. Whittier's days of occupancy. The library has not been disturbed, only replaced as the books were catalogued, and will remain in its detail as the poet left it. Mrs. Pickard will vigilantly care for the property and have it kept in the best of condition, considering it a very pleasant privilege to keep the premises in good state of preservation and no signs of neglect will ever be seen. Mr. Pickard found in an out of the way corner a brass knocker, and this will be placed on the front door as in the days of olden time.

Portland Society of Art. At the monthly meeting of the Portland Society of Art last evening a committee was appointed to bring in a list of officers to be elected at the annual meeting the last Wednesday in January. Preparations are not yet completed for the exhibition by the artist members. Mr. Walter Griffin is expected to make a display of some of his works done abroad on his return to the city the middle of January. To CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY. Take laxative Bromo-Quinine Tablets All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure.

Advertisement for JACKETS, featuring a 'Sold At Loss' sale.

Sold At Loss.

The 1-2 Price Sale on all Jackets will be offered today "Thursday" as we take stock Friday and wish to convert every garment possible into cash.

Come to-day and make your selection.

RINES - BROTHERS - CO.

Real Estate Transfers. The following transfers of real estate in this county have been recorded in the Registry of Deeds: Robert L. Littlefield of Portland to Benjamin F. Hamilton of Chebeague Island, for \$1000, a lot of land on Great Chebeague Island. Albion P. Snow of Winthrop to Harry S. Parsons of Brunswick, for \$1, a lot of land in Brunswick. George W. Call of Perkins to George W. Parsons of Medford, for \$1, a lot of land in Harpswell. Roy C. Smith to Fred H. Johnson for \$1, a lot of land with the buildings thereon at the northwesterly corner of the intersection of Everett and Greenleaf streets.

Messenger's Notice. Office of the Sheriff of Cumberland County, State of Maine, Cumberland ss, Dec. 30th, A. D. 1896. THIS is to give notice, that on the 29th day of Dec. A. D. 1896, a Warrant in Insolvency was issued out of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Cumberland, against the estate of FRED P. PRESTON, of Portland, adjudged to be an Insolvent Debtor, on petition of said debtor, which petition was filed on the 29th day of Dec. A. D. 1896 to which date interest on claims is to be computed. That the payment of any debts to or by said Debtor, and the transfer and delivery of any property by him are forbidden by law. That a meeting of the creditors of said Debtor, to prove their debts and choose one or more assignees of his estate, will be held at a Court of Insolvency to be holden at Probate Court Room, in said Portland, in said County of Cumberland, on the 18th day of January, A. D. 1897, at 10 o'clock in the forenoon. Given under my hand the date first above written. C. L. BUCKNAM, Deputy Sheriff, as Messenger of the Court of Insolvency for said County of Cumberland. dec31&jan6

H. H. HAY & SON, Drugs and Paints, MIDDLE ST., 1897. Extend to you their New Year's Greetings and hope to have a share of your patronage in the year.