

LOCALS.

John F. Cloutman was in Boston, Wednesday.

Fred Roberts has just recovered from a run of the mumps.

Miss Florence V. Putney is visiting friends in Boston.

Laban Welch, the Alton druggist, was in town, Wednesday.

Frank Wheeler, of the Winnepesaukee House, Alton, was in town, Tuesday.

Miss Effie Yeaton of Rochester was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Scruton over the Sabbath.

The pupils of J. E. W. Smith, teacher for elocution, may give a recital here next month.

Roberts & Peavey received today 20 doz's proprietary medicines, including one gross Greene's Nervura.

Five dollars reward and no questions asked for the prompt return of the fur coat borrowed of Mr. W. G. Chandler.

George Johnson has gone to his cottage at Alton Bay, and will indulge in considerable fishing the next week or two. Wednesday he had as a guest, Virgil Harrington.

Mrs. H. F. Roberts, and daughters Nora and Ellen, have been the guests of friends in Somersworth this week. Miss Nora will remain there for a few days longer.

Conductor Cannovan had charge of the theatre train, Tuesday evening, and the interests of a party under his care are always carefully looked after. There is not a more genial or more popular conductor on the entire system of the Boston & Maine road.

The following business was transacted at probate court at Rochester, Tuesday: Estate Herbert F. Young of Farmington; license to sell real estate granted; estate Emma A. Leighton of Farmington; administrator appointed; estate Ellen F. Cloutman of Farmington; administrator appointed.

The exercises at the School-street primary, despite the extra effort that the teacher, Miss Carl, had to make on account of a severe throat trouble, were very interesting. There was singing and speaking, and the young scholars did remarkably well. There were many visitors present.

Dr. John Young writes from Vienna that he is in good health and thoroughly enjoying the advantages of the superb hospital where he is a daily attendant. He will doubtless remain abroad several months longer, and extend his travels to countries not yet visited.

About the first of April, Sheriff-elect Hayes will take the oath of office, and will remove his family to Dover, where he will assume personal charge of the jail. His business here will be looked after by his eldest son, Eugene B. Hayes.

Wakefield has decided to build a new town hall, having appropriated \$5,000 for that purpose at March town meeting. It will be located at Wolfeboro Junction. The building committee appointed were in town one day this week looking over our town hall and gathering facts and figures. The new building will have a hall suitable for entertainments.

The Relief Corps gave another five cent social Thursday evening, and there was a large attendance. The white minstrels were the bright particular feature of the evening. They wore Mrs. Ida Pearl, Mrs. Nellie Cary, Mrs. Helen Flanders, Mrs. McDuffee, Mrs. Thayer, Mrs. Edith Brooks, Mrs. Pike, with imitative harmonica solos by Mr. Win Armstrong. Games and dancing were enjoyed, and light refreshments were served.

The school-meeting for district No. 9, will be held Saturday, at the high school building, at 5 o'clock p. m. The election of a member of the board of education for three years, the matter of appropriations, etc., are to be acted upon. The district will be asked to provide for repairs upon the School street house. There are two rooms in this building one of which is not used for school purposes, and probably never will be. It is the desire of the school-board to remove this partition, thus enlarging the present room, and to put in modern desks. The building also needs general repairs.

The funeral of John Kelley, father of James Kelley of this town, occurred Thursday of last week, at his home in Derby, Vt. The particulars of his death are these: He was suffering from an illness of nervous nature, and taking medicine for the same. The medicine was kept on a shelf in the battery. On the morning of his death he was anxious to reach the village a mile distant from his farm to meet a business engagement, and by mistake took a drink from a bottle of scotch. He reached the village, and started for home, was taken deathly sick, and lived but a short time. He was 78 years of age. Mr. and Mrs. Kelley returned from Vermont, Wednesday.

It is now highly probable that "The Throne of Fame" will be presented at the opera house, by the members of the Relief Corps, and its friends, on Thursday evening, April 4. The cast embraces twenty-six characters, said to come from pages and royal attendants. The Golden of Fame occupies the throne, and characters of history, song, the drama, romance and philanthropy are introduced in costume, who present their claims for the crown offered. After each character delivers her speech, for the characters are all female, they remain upon the stage, thus making a beautiful and impressive stage picture. The entertainment is spoken of in the highest terms wherever it has been presented, and is warmly commended by the press. The admission will be placed at a low figure, and the corps will doubtless have a crowded house.

Mr. Fernald has not been as well for a few days.

A penny social is one of the latest forms of social gatherings.

Farmers in this section have done but little maple-sugar making thus far.

Dean Allen is agent for the Very Cycle Co., of Boston and Springfield, Mass.

Roberts & Peavey have a new ad. in this issue. It will hardly escape the reader's eye.

It won't pay to grumble too much about the weather; Spring only came in Wednesday.

Crows were in evidence Wednesday morning. They had caws—it was a beautiful morning.

Miss Nellie Kimball of Ward Hill, Mass., has been the guest of Miss Nellie Cloutman, for a week or more.

D. E. Garland of this place is to remove to Rochester, where he will open a boarding house.

Mrs. Coffin and daughter Mary, of Berwick were guests of Mrs. Almon Leavitt over Sunday.

Mrs. C. R. Bragdon of Somersworth, has been visiting friends in town for ten days past.

Those who are in arrears on their subscription will confer a favor if they will settle as soon as possible.

Farmington people judging from the patronage extended to "soap clubs," are dead stuck on cleanliness.

Eggs are now only 17 cents a dozen. Consumers devoutly hope the birds will lay to and let the good work go on.

Mrs. Wilkinson and her son Harold, are at her parents' home on Union street, this week. Mr. Wilkinson was with them Wednesday.

The Advent people of Strafford county are holding a Sunday school convention at East Rochester this week. The session began Tuesday and will close Friday.

Prof and Mrs. Allen will spend this week with friends in Boston. They will be joined there by Miss Taylor, who for the past few days has been visiting friends in Lowell.

Mrs. John Corson, who has been very ill of pneumonia, is improving. Her sisters Mrs. Reynolds of Alton, and Mrs. Pinkham of Milton, have been with her during the past week.

Roll of honor, Main street Primary school Philip Colbath, Wilbur Chesley, Percy Stevens, Fred Cathcart, Blanch Dore, Vellie Pinkham, Carroll Stevens. Laura A. Holmes, teacher.

Mr. Harry Daniels, who has been at the Nute shop during the winter, have returned to Boston, and will go on the road in the interest of a boot and shoe firm during the summer.

A. S. Howard of New Hampton, proprietor of Dr. Glidden's rheumatic cure, was in town this week advertising the great remedy spoken of so highly by our popular druggists, Roberts & Peavey.

Max Mayer will positively remain in town but a short time longer, and those who want to catch on to the best bargains in dry and fancy goods ever offered, should visit his store at once.

The concrete sidewalks on Central street are fully appreciated this Spring. Over what used to be a bog and mud-hole until the ground settled, people now pass dry shod.

The clog dancing of Mr. William Roberts at the social of the Relief Corps made a big hit. Although sixty five years old and a veteran who saw much active service in the war, he is still young of heart and nimble of foot, and can "shake a leg" with the best of them.

A delegation of Alton Knights of Pythias came down from Alton Tuesday night on the theatre train, and witnessed the working of the amplified third degree by the lodge here. They expressed much satisfaction at the manner in which it was performed.

Mr. James E. Davis is the retiring member of the board of education. Though not aspiring for a re-election, we learn he will serve if the public wish for his services. His associates on the board appreciate his services and would each and all be glad to see him again a member. Mr. Davis has made a very efficient member.

Twenty-five tickets were sold at this place for the theatre train, which went to Dover, Tuesday night. There was a large audience present who seemed to derive much amusement from the comical situations of the piece. It was presented under the auspices of the Dover cornet band, who issued a neat little advertising program for the occasion.

Roll of honor for the Glen Street Primary School, Florence V. Putney, teacher; Maud Dantley, Ira Fletcher, Teresa Perkins, Annie Russell, May Rollins, Maud Works, Arthur Cotton, Carroll Kimball, Linnie Nutter, Elver Pike, Roswell Pearl, Holman Pearl, Pearly Whitehouse. Absent but one session: Kate Preston, Lily Hayes, Viola Murphy, Frank Whitehouse, Walter Morris, John Osborn. Carroll Kimball has not been absent or tardy since he began to attend school—a period of three years.

A cordial invitation is extended to the public to be present at the meeting announced herewith, and it is hoped that local interest in the work and purposes of the organization will be manifested by a full attendance in the apartment where the convention will assemble. The quarterly convention of the Strafford County W. C. T. U. will be held in Farmington, Thursday, March 28th, at the Congregational church. Each Union is entitled to send two delegates, and it is earnestly requested that the delegates appointed be present if possible. An interesting program has been prepared, and it is hoped, a large number will be in attendance, to make the convention both pleasing and profitable. A basket lunch will be served at noon.

E. A. Dorr, H. B. L. PERKINS, Sec.

A TRIP DOWN EAST.

Thinking perhaps some of F. A. Jones' friends would be pleased to hear from him, and having lately come from his down east home, I will give you a few impressions received on my trip. We went to Portland over the B. & M. railroad, arriving in that city at 12.30, taking a train on the Main Central from the handsome Union station at 1.20. On the Central we find a vestibuled train with virtually all the comforts of home. After a ride of 109 miles, at 5.35, we reached Newport, and the first thing that greeted our eyes was a huge sign bearing the inscription, "F. A. Jones, bakery and restaurant." It is evident friend Jones does not believe in hiding his light under a bushel, for this sign may be read from the cars for a long distance before the station is reached. We stepped up to the house where we found Frank, with one of his old-time smiles, and more than pleased to see us. After a good home-like chat, we went over the house which he has built since he went there, containing many if not all the modern improvements of the day. The main building is 34x34 with "L" 24x24. On the first floor is his store and bake shop and dining room. He uses a part of the second floor as his own dwelling place and the third floor for boarders and any way-farer that chance to come his way. This house is heated by hot air furnace, every room warm enough to sit in with comfort at any time of day or night, with hot and cold water at all of the bowls. We find he has got fifteen regular boarders this winter and doing a fair transient business. After a good night's sleep we arose to find the sun shining and a lovely day before us. Frank thought we had better improve the weather by a ride around the town, so he hitched up a fine roadster and we rode to Camp Benson, the site for the State Home for soldiers, one and one-half miles from the village, on the shore of Lake Sebasticook, one of the most beautiful locations that could be found in New England. Then we went to the reservoir that supplies the town with water. There was especial interest attached to this place because of the fact that our host was the prime mover in securing this supply of delicious and almost if not quite absolutely pure water for the town. It is the finest water we have found in any of the twenty-six states of the Union in which it has been our lot to travel. The pond from which it comes is fed wholly by springs. He may well feel proud of his interest and success in the matter of securing an unequalled water supply for the town of which he is a citizen. On our ride home there were pointed out to me a condensed milk factory, that is canning 8,000 quarts of condensed milk each day, also a veneering mill, a woolen mill with 100 bands, all of which has been built within the past three years. The town will soon have electric lights. A word personal. Mr. Jones has gained considerably in health since I last saw him, though he is far from the man physically that he was before his accident, but he has an excellent business chance and his old friends in New Hampshire will hope that he will fully recover. He can walk very well without a cane, and his general health, aside from his spine, is excellent.

The Mr. F. A. Jones referred to in the above letter is a native of Alton, and formerly a resident and property owner in Farmington. Newport is in Penobscot county on the Sebasticook river and has a population, we believe, of between two and three thousand inhabitants [Ed.]. The town school meeting will be held this Thursday evening. Mr. John Otis who took a thirty mile ride into the country, last week, found the sleighing excellent the most part of the way. The following is the program for the "Symphony Concert" to be given at the vestry of the brick church Tuesday evening, March 26.

- 1 Overture PART I. The "Ideal Quartet"
2 Song Selected
3 Medley By the Full Orchestra
4 Duet for Banjo and Piano
5 Solo for Dulcimer Harp
6 Solo for cornet, Day Pearl
7 Reading
8 Quartet
During the intermission the audience will be entertained with scenes of Indian life by ten Indians of the "On-fen-coo" tribe.

- 1 Song Vocal
2 Duet, Mr. Ham
3 Solo for Harmonica, Mr. Ham
4 Solo for Violin,
5 Kitchen Symphony, Ladies' Orchestra

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ESSAYS AT HIGH SCHOOL.

The Senior Class Gives a Pleasant Program.

Music and Visitors on Last Day. Some Facts About Attendance.

It is too often the case that citizens and parents fail to appreciate the value of our public schools; or if that is putting the case too strongly, their appreciation is not made apparent by any occult act or sign. Occasional visits to our schools by citizens are always gratifying to both teacher and scholars; it shows that they are interested and appreciative of the progress of the pupil and the efforts of the teacher, and it is a cause for renewed effort for those who are grinding away to fit themselves to become good men and women, and who, as patriotic citizens, should be the bulwarks of our republic. We know that the teachers of Farmington deeply appreciate all such evidences of interest. Friday afternoon the senior class of the high school gave very interesting exercises, and the number of visitors present was an agreeable surprise, as no public announcement had been made of the program. Mrs. Dame in a well written essay, considered "The Importance of Trifles," Alta Dame, in her own original way, told of Scott's immortal "Lady of the Lake," Bessie Fernald had an interesting subject in "The Tithing Man of the Old Puritan Church," Leo Gilman took a local subject, "The History of Farmington," Mattie Hartford treated in rather a humorous way "An Idle Boy's Thoughts," Millie Hartford took for consideration "Is Civilization Growing Better or Worse." The writer found many things to commend, but her essay was rather tinged with regret that modern civilization does not make a better showing in that direction. Grace Perkins' essay was upon "The Observance of Sunday in Puritan Times," and the bright school paper was edited and read by Misses Grace Gilman and Bessie Smith. The Grammar school was present, so that all the available seats in the room were occupied. Messrs. Herbert and Fred Brown contributed two banjo duets, and Rev. J. S. Harrington made appropriate remarks. The members of the senior class acquitted themselves creditably, and the spectators were thoroughly interested. Some facts about the attendance at our high school during the past year are remarkable and will prove interesting. The number of students not absent during the term, 25, number neither absent or tardy during the term, 21. Number of cases of tardiness during the term, 4, number of cases during the year, 7. The whole number of scholars for the year has been 44, average daily attendance, 41, making the percentage of attendance 100. Four pupils who have not been absent or tardy for the past year, thereby not missing a single recitation, are Bessie M. Fernald, Blanche Noyes, Jessie J. Ayers and George F. Jones.

Max Major offers for sale his story and a half house on Central street. It contains all the modern improvements.

"Finnigan's Fortune," so successfully presented by the Strafford Club, last Spring, was given in Somersworth last week.

The appraisal of the estate of the late Stephen Nutter was made last week. The appraisers were J. P. Bennett, John F. Cloutman and E. P. Nute.

The News office is in receipt of a copy of Le Bon-Air, a little paper published at Summerville Heights, Augusta, Ga., in the interest of Hotel Bon-Air and its guests. Donald Freeman, at one time a regular correspondent of the News, is its editor. Mr. Freeman's home is in Berwick, Me., and he is only in Georgia for the winter. On a recent March day, he writes us, the thermometer registered 70 in the shade, and the air was delightful. "Le Bon-Air" is a neat and enterprising little journal.

VICK'S FLORAL GUIDE. Vick's Floral Guide for 1895 contains colored plates of Vick's Branching Aster, Sweet Pea, Vegetables, Hibiscus and Gold Flower. Honest Illustrations, descriptions that describe, not mislead, hints on sowing and transplanting. Mailed on receipt of 10 cents which may be deducted from first order. Vick's seeds are reliable. Address James Vicks Sons, Rochester, N. Y.

Two Sponges. The Kidneys may be likened to two sponges through which the blood of the body passes. These human sponges take the waste matter from the blood and carry it away. When the Kidneys become clogged illness follows. Backache is a symptom of Kidney trouble.

Baker's Kidney Pills will relieve clogged Kidneys—they dissolve the matter which clogs them and relieve the inflammation and Backache which is caused by the stoppage. They are made of vegetable products and contain no narcotics or injurious drugs. The pills cost 50 cents at the druggists. Book about Kidney trouble free.

Baker Pill Co., Bangor, Me. —Dover has a fine opera house, but in case of necessity it is poorly arranged for the quick exit of a large audience.

Capt. Henry M. Locke of Barnstead died at his home in that place Tuesday. Funeral Friday.

Sumner Wallace is one of a commission of six to represent New Hampshire at the International exhibition to open in the City of Mexico, April 2.

Mrs. Joseph W. Johnson of Bunker street, while calling on a neighbor, Wednesday, had the misfortune to slip on the ice and dislocate her right wrist. Dr. J. C. Parker was called to attend her.

TRADE NOTES. —A standard make 50c. pair for this sale only 39c. at THE FAIR, Rochester.

All kinds of ready mixed paints, lead, oil and varnishes at Roberts & Peavey's.

Gent's regular 25c. hose in black and colors for 12c. a pair. These are not the hose commonly advertised for 12c. but are fast colors, with double heel and toes and sold everywhere for 25c. just half price at THE FAIR, Rochester.

Dr. Glidden's Rheumatic Cure will cure you 36y1. —One lot of wrappers in light and dark colors, latest Spring styles, large sleeves and full skirts. For this week only 39c. each, at THE FAIR, Rochester.

Dr. Glidden's Rheumatic Cure will cure you 36y1. —Hay for sale. Enquire of George A. Jones.

Tenement with stable to let for \$7 per month. Enquire of S. S. Parker.

Do you want to be right in style? If so, you cannot afford to buy a dollar's worth of dry goods without first looking through our stock. Our line comprise the latest novelties in the market and our prices are the lowest. Keep up with the times and at the same time save money by trading at THE FAIR, Rochester.

New wall papers from 6c. per roll up, at Roberts & Peavey's.

20 pieces of Henrietta in all the new Spring shades, full 38 in. wide, only 25c. per yard at THE FAIR, Rochester. These goods would sell readily at 39c.

For this sale we offer our lot of corsets in white, black and colors, a standard make and a regular dollar corset for only 69c. at THE FAIR, Rochester.

Evidence Piling Up! —That— Dr. Glidden's Rheumatic Cure

HOWARD, Sole Proprietor, New Hampton N. H. For sale at ROBERTS & PEAVEY'S Drug Store. 36 1y

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Large Line, Choice Selections, Low Prices.

All Paper Trimmed Free of Charge. Call and Examine.

Roberts & Peavey

CHIEF'S CONTRIBUTION

Meeting of U O P F next Monday evening.

Since the last campfire was held, the W. R. C. have initiated between fifteen and twenty new members and still there is more to follow. And we are told that they are in a very flourishing and prosperous condition financially and the prospects for the future never looked brighter.

Harmony Lodge, K. of P. held a very enthusiastic meeting last Tuesday evening. Brothers C. E. Hutchins, Joseph Wilder, Frank Muzzev, Frank Wheeler, Smith Willard, Woodbury Glidden, Albert Hurd, Daniel Connel, John T. Courier and Oscar Davis, of Alton, and Herbert E. Clark and Calvin T. Clark of Norris Lodge, Pittsfield were present. Also a brother from Lynn, one from Haverhill and one from Rochester, whose names we did not learn. The rank of Knight was worked in the amplified form after which remarks were made by several of the visiting Brothers, who were well pleased with the way in which the work was rendered.

There is no use in talking when you're troubled with the blues, go to the five-cent social. You can cure them if you choose.

Last Thursday night we tried it. At the new Grand Army hall. And in five minutes after we had no blues at all.

For when the high street minister is all dressed in grand array. Marched thro' the hall before us. We had no more to say.

It is unlikely that a fair will be held at Granite State Fair the coming year.

"Survive is the reward of merit" not of assumption. Popular appreciation is what tells in the long run. For fifty years, people have been using Ayer's Sarsaparilla, and today it is the blood-purifier most in favor with the public. Ayer's Sarsaparilla cures.

The buildings of the Rochester Fair Association are being repaired.

The base of Ayer's Hair Vigor is a refined and delicate fluid, which does not soil or become rancid by exposure to the air and which is as perfect a substitute for the oil supplied by nature in youth and health, as modern chemistry can produce.

Over 200 tramps were sheltered at the Rochester lock up during February.

Handruff forms when the glands of the skin are weakened, and if neglected, baldness is sure to follow. Hall's Hair Renewer is the best preventive.

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