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PROBLEMS DEPARTMENT.
The N. H. Legislature One of Unusual Size.

Mr. Editor:
As the session of 1900 has been "of peculiarly unusual size" so far as New Hampshire is concerned, there is no longer any question as to the representation in the next legislature.

The total membership of our next legislature will be 396, a gain of 84 over the last session. This state now bears the distinction of having a larger legislative body than the United States, and to many it seems that a state which does not have as large a population as the city of Boston has too big a load to carry in this respect.

There can be no doubt it seems to the writer that the majority of the people of this state must be convinced that the body is too large and ought to be reduced, and that before many years this will and should be an accomplished fact.

There are several reasons why the number of representatives should be reduced: 1st.—That so large a body cannot attend to the business of the session and give as much attention to details as can a smaller number of men, and attention to small matters is an important qualification in a legislative body as near to the people as it is.

2d.—That under a recent law there are several towns who by reason of a population under a certain figure they are allowed no representation in the next session.

3d.—Now comes the question, "Is it justice that a citizen or any number of citizens because they reside in a small township should not have a voice in the government of the state? Are they not as much entitled to be represented in our next legislature as the citizens of Ward 5 of Manchester? There are other reasons but these two will suffice.

That there is some remedy is apparent and it is: Increase the number of population required to elect a representative, combine several small towns to make a representative district, by this method will give all an equal chance and by so doing secure better representation and service in the legislature.

At the coming election the people will have an opportunity to vote on the question of amending the constitution, one amendment that is proposed is the reduction of the representatives; it is to be hoped that the voters will see to it and vote for revision.

There are those who would vote for a smaller representation were it not for the fact that some aspirant to the high office would never make any progress, and some never should. There are too many cheap men in the business; and while all feel as if they ought to help make some new legislation, yet it is a fact that the legislative body that does the most good is that one which does practically nothing. By this it must not be thought that everyone who goes to the legislature works, no, far from it, but it is somewhat after the style of what one can't think of another can. What is most needed is less conniving for selfish motives and more conscientious work for the best interests of the grand old Granite State and her citizens generally.

In the above communication it will be noticed that the voters at the coming election will be called upon to vote yes or no upon the question: "Is it expedient that a convention be called to revise the constitution?" and by this it is learned that the object is to get a yes vote and to call a convention with almost the express purpose of cutting down the present distastefully large representation in Concord. Besides the many objections stated, it is a foolish waste of money for the state to pay out every two years the great sum that it necessarily must to keep such a "standing army" of legislators at Concord as New Hampshire has gained the unenviable reputation of maintaining.

It is hoped that all our readers will look into this matter, see where they are at, especially those who are constantly crying economy in government, and at the polls be sure to make the X opposite the word yes for a revision of the constitution. Let Antrim be put on record as up-to-date in this matter, as she is in almost every other matter of public benefit and importance.

—EDITOR.

STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE.
FRANK J. CHERRY makes oath that he is the senior partner of the firm of J. J. Cherry & Co., of the City of Boston, and that he has signed the name of the HUBBARD POLYGRAPH for each and every copy of the HUBBARD POLYGRAPH that has been or shall be printed by the firm of J. J. Cherry & Co., of the City of Boston.

W. W. O'LEARY.
Notary Public.

"Strike For Your Altars and Your Fires."

Patriotism is always commendable, but in every breast there should be not only the desire to be a good citizen, but to be strong, able bodied and well fitted for the battle of life. To do this, pure blood is absolutely necessary, and Hood's Sarsaparilla is the one specific which cleanses the blood thoroughly. It acts equally well for both sexes and all ages.

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LOCAL HAPPENINGS.

Wm. H. Story, The Main Street Jeweler, Hillsboro Bridge.
Annual inspection at Antrim Grange to-night.

Ed. T. Adams was in Concord one day last week.

C. H. Martin is spending most of the time of late in Concord.

Mrs. G. P. Craig picked a mess of string beans Saturday, the 13th.

Percy Kendall of Milford has been a recent guest of his cousin, Warren Combs.

C. H. Reed has obtained employment in Boston and left last week for that city.

Charles Gibson has been confined to his home for the past few days with a severe case of typhoid dysentery.

Charles O. Kimball started on Monday morning for a trip in the middle states in the interests of the Goodell Company.

Charles N. Fuggle, from Maple Grove Farm, is taking his annual vacation, visiting his old home near Syracuse, N. Y.

George Craig planted 40 potatoes weighing 23 lbs. of the White Wonder variety, and harvested from the same 12 bushels or 720 lbs.

Rev. Virgil W. Blackman of Swanzey will speak at the Baptist church next morning. His subject will be "Why I became a Baptist."

George O. Joslin of Bennington is this week distributing flyers telling about the large assortment of goods in his department store; his line of clothing will attract buyers at this time.

Dr. Christie was in Manchester Tuesday.

E. W. Farnum of Franconetown was in town Monday.

Dr. and Mrs. Warner are entertaining a relative, Mr. Heritage.

The house occupied by **Charles H. Mass** is receiving a coat of paint.

Mrs. Frank Hartford and infant child, of West Epping, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Woodward.

Morrison Brothers and Prescott, of Hillsboro, have a new adv. in this issue and to those who read it will on doubt be to their advantage.

Democratic Caucus.

The Democrats of this town held their caucus on Friday evening last at the town hall, and it was well attended. The meeting was called to order by F. G. Warner, chairman of the Town committee, and D. W. Cooley was chosen chairman of the meeting and John R. Putney clerk. The caucus at once proceeded to the nomination of candidates; the first vote taken was for candidate to the legislature, and the result was received with much applause. The following gentlemen were then nominated for supervisors: John E. Tenney, William H. Munhall and Will E. Ellwood. N. C. Jameson was then nominated for moderator. There were calls for a speech by the nominee which was responded to by Mr. Whittemore, remarks were made by several others and then the caucus adjourned.

With the caucuses over and nominations made it is quite evident that the next three weeks will be given to work all along the line, and there is need of work of a progressive nature. Every man wants to speak to his neighbor about his respective nominee, talk the matter over, consider well the qualifications of the candidates for all the several offices and their ability to fill them with credit to the town, and when the sixth day of November comes be ready to vote intelligently. Antrim should put a large vote; make it a business matter!

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Brook's K. Webber was in town recently.

The favorite anthracite is Hood's Pills. 25c.

Guard Your Sight. With a pair of eyes you can see a great deal of trouble. Hood's Pills are a good quality and can be found. See adv.

E. C. Paige has returned home from a three weeks' business trip through New England and New York state.

Quite a number of our people took advantage of the excursion and visit of the "Hub" the first of this week.

Lyman Lawwell brought to our office one day this week a China cucumber which measured 2 ft. 6 in. in length.

Mrs. Levi Woodbury and little son have been recent guests of Mrs. P. J. Jackson and other relatives and friends in town.

James W. Jameson has been elected president of the Student's Bryan and Stevenson club of Princeton University.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Brooks and daughter are spending this week with relatives and friends in Wilton, Milford and Dover.

Work was commenced on the vault in the rear of the town hall building this Wednesday morning and will be pushed rapidly forward.

Leander Emery and Charles Prentiss have thrown out the red McKinley and Roosevelt flag; it floats near their residence on Highland Ave.

Miss Colby's military opening will commence Wednesday of this week and continue through the week, and will be seen by her adv. in another column.

Al who wish to know "How to make a little money go a great ways" can find out by inquiring at Mrs. C. F. Davis' Clothing Store; she has three correct answers to the problem.

Harry Deacon has a new in this issue entitled "Good Reasons Why?" read it and then read the flyers which will distribute Friday afternoon of this week, telling of the goods and their prices during the sale which he will inaugurate Saturday, Oct. 20, and continue eighteen days ending Nov. 6.

The Democrats of Antrim will have a rally at the Town hall on Wednesday evening next, Oct. 24. The speakers will be Hon. Samuel B. Paige, the war-horse of New Hampshire Democracy and Hon. Henry F. Hollis, of Concord, Democratic candidate for Congress in the second district. The committee who had the rally in charge have been fortunate in securing two such excellent speakers, and a large audience should greet these well known men. The Antrim band will be present and discourse music.

Dr. W. H. Lewis, Lawrenceville, Va., writes, "I am using Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in my practice among severe cases of indigestion and find it an admirable remedy." Many hundreds of physicians depend upon the cure of Kodol Dyspepsia Cure in stomach troubles. It digests what you eat, and allows you to eat all the good food you need, providing you do not overload your stomach. Gives instant relief and a permanent cure. C. H. Martin, Antrim, Eaton Bros., Hancock, G. O. Joslin, Bennington.

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Fair and Festival!
Annual Occurrence by the Presbyterian Ladies' Mission Circle.

Pursuant to a long established custom, the ladies of the Presbyterian church held their annual Harvest Fair and Supper Wednesday evening, October 10. Notwithstanding the heavy rain storm a large company assembled in the vestry of the Presbyterian church to enjoy what has come to be regarded the gala festival of the year. Supper was served from 6 to 8 o'clock and the well laden tables testified to the ability of the ladies in the art of cooking; this department was in charge of Mrs. S. Forsath and a corps of able helpers.

The ladies' party was devoted to the sale of articles both beautiful and useful; the handsomely draped booths were early surrounded by purchasers, and almost the entire display was disposed of before the close of the Fair. The committee, consisting of Mrs. Frank Downes, Mrs. John Smith and Miss Bryer, had converted this room into a bower of beauty. The entertainment was in the hands of an efficient committee, consisting of Mrs. C. R. Jameson, Mrs. Helen Anderson and Miss Gertrude Bullard, who furnished the following programme which was much enjoyed.

PROGRAMME.
Chorus, "Pretty Wreaths of Maple Leaves."—Children.
Reading, "Candys and the Macrobrian Bow."—Mr. Prentiss.
Song, "October."—Miss Maud Ellinwood.
Flag Exercise and Chorus,—"Nine Young Ladies."
Song,—"Monsieur."—Mrs. Vose.
Violin Solo—Chris. Knowlton.
Pantomime.
Male Quartette,—"S-lected."
Song,—"Break the News to Mother."—Warren Shaw.
Play-Duck,—"Miss Deacon."
Fashion,—"Gaily to Summer."—cast.
Sumner, Miss Isabel Jameson; Aunt Sumner, Miss Susie Sweet; Father Time, Edwin Whittemore; Hucksters, Roy Downes, Marije Anderson.

Each number was so well conceived and executed it would be difficult to make any comparison; especial mention however should be made of the closing number "Goodly to Summer" which in perfection of posing is rarely equalled.

The section devoted to the products of the vine and field was in charge of Miss Butler and Mrs. Sylvester Little; the decorations of woodbine and autumn leaves so enhanced the color of the ripened fruit as to make a display of artistic merit, and was a pleasing feature of the festival.

Competent judges awarded premiums to the various exhibitors, and this closed the Fair of 1900 which will be remembered as one of the most successful ever held by the ladies of the Presbyterian Mission Circle.

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A Little Horse Sense.

Under the above caption the Plymouth Record has the following instructive as well as amusing article, and contains much sense which at this time is a most valuable quality for every voter to possess:

Pardon me, but—
If you were going to rent your farm to a tenant, you would feel sure of getting your money if that man had some experience in farming, wouldn't you? If you have a job to do, you would know that there was going to be a change of managers of the business, factory or whatever concern it is that hires you, you would feel sure that you knew the man who would be more likely to pay you, to be a steady one, wouldn't you?

And—
When you take a ride on a railroad train, you wouldn't feel particularly comfortable if it were the train was to start you saw a young dry goods clerk climb into the engine cab and begin to yank the lever, wouldn't you? You wouldn't want to be working at the mouth of a mine and know that a post was running the hoisting engine, wouldn't you? You'd be afraid of your corpse, eh?

"That's what!"
Now, when it comes to politics, don't you think a man ought to try to show just as good sense in voting as he does in his trade or business? Bryan is long on wind we can all agree on that; but Mack has got the engineer's sense. He has been over the road. But Bryan claims he has an entirely new method, a method of his own, for running the government steam boiler. He's crazy to let his new method and she busts, she can bust Mack maintains, though, that you can't monkey with a steam engine. I won't do to let the water get too low, and you have got to shovel something besides air into the fire-box.

Bryan said in 1896
"That just as sure as Mack got into the cab the boiler would explode, the road would become foreclosed at auction, the right of way given over to foreign nations and the inhabitants of the territory along the route would become paupers."

But—
Four years have passed away and the old engine is still doing fairly well; it's lengthened out her boiler some and hitched on several new coaches. The eagle still sits on the cawcatcher and has both eyes open for obstruction. There's a foreign errier got on the track once but the eagle screeched and Mack he turned on fifty million dollars of extra stock. They got by by any means, but the foreigner was so out of place and scattered they couldn't find the remains. Because of the fact that the foreigner never did undertake to cross the track, there have been several important branches added to the road.

Rich, Warm, Healthy blood is given by Hood's Sarsaparilla, and thus it protects the system from colds, fevers, pneumonia and other diseases that quickly overcome a weak and debilitated system.

Letter to Chas. Balch,
Bennington, N. H.

Dear Sir—A good many people will see your house in the course of the next ten years. We want to show what Devoe lead and zinc will do. We should like you to paint it, and then not paint it again for ten years—unless it needs repainting.

We'd like such a sample as that in every town in the county—with a notice about it in the town paper: "Mr. Balch's house was painted ten years ago with Devoe lead and zinc, and has never been repainted. The color is not so bright as it was; but the paint is as perfect a coat as ever, to keep out water."

A good lead and zinc job is expected to last three years; it is a good one that lasts three years; it generally does not. Devoe lead and zinc lasts twice as long, if not—

"If you have any fault to find with this paint, either now in putting it on, or hereafter in the wear, tell your dealer about it."
We authorize him to do what is right at our expense."

We want your house as a sample, and you as a witness.
Yours truly,
F. W. Devoe & Co.

A striped waistcoat worn by Robert Burns was sold in London recently for £3 5s.

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The Whole Truth!

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There's nothing so good for a cough as Ayer's Cherry Pectoral.

The 25 cent size is just right for an ordinary, everyday cold. The 50 cent size is better for the cough of bronchitis, croup, grip, and hoarseness. The dollar size is the best for chronic cough, as in consumption, chronic bronchitis, asthma, etc.

CLINTON VILLAGE.

We learn that Master Robert Abbott has gone into the duck business; thinks of having a duck farm in the spring; all hope he will make a success.

Mrs. Anna Williams of Grafton is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Story.

Mrs. Eastman of Ware was visiting and calling on friends here last week.

Mrs. George Brown has returned from her visit to Milford.

Quite a number are suffering with neuralgia and rheumatism since the rainy weather.

George Whittemore of Needham, Mass., spent last week with his parents.

George Young spent Saturday and Sunday at his home in Washington.

Feelings of safety pervade the household that uses One Minute Cough Cure, the only harmless remedy that produces immediate results. It is infallible for coughs, colds, croup and all throat and lung troubles. It will prevent consumption. C. H. Martin, of Antrim, Eaton Bros., Hancock, G. O. Joslin, Bennington.

NORTH BRANCH

Frank Marshall of Wakefield, Mass., is visiting at Crombie's.

THE NEW SEASON DAWNS

Dawns with stronger trade possibilities than ever before

Stronger for the "BIG STORE"

because the buying has been bigger, broader, better, stronger, because this business is growing, and with our new, large and perfectly equipped store of four large floors we are better fortified to fit your wants, and you are cordially invited to visit Milford and this large store, where you can buy everything wearable and every article necessary for housekeeping and save money on every item.

The Millinery Dept.

is now filled with the latest creations of the most artistic designers of Boston and New York. Don't get your fall hat until you see what we have got for you.

Ready-to-Wear Suits

He you will find a most carefully selected line of the very newest ideas in suits, don't bother with dressmaking when you can come in and get your suit all ready to wear. SPECIAL this week in that handsome tailor made suits made from best grade of homespun \$10.00.

Golf Capes \$5.00 to \$15.00.

FALL AND WINTER COATS the very latest style and cut. Walking and Rainy Day Skirts \$3.98 to \$10.

Fall Goods now open

IF YOU HAVE ANY FURNITURE, CARPETS, STOVES OR RANGES TO BUY Department store prices are what you want and the "BIG STORE" is where you get them. One man after pricing a housekeeping outfit in at least two cities came to us and after he had made his selections said, "I have saved just \$15 on this purchase," and thus are finding out that we are in business to sell goods just as close as possible, depending on a very small margin of profit and a very large business for our success. Come and see us and be convinced.

H. H. BARBER, Milford, N. H.
NASHUA STREET.

THE FALL CAMPAIGN

Fully under way at

THE BUSY STORE, MILFORD, N. H.

The compliments heard at our advance opening last week, would indicate that we have succeeded in placing before our trade

THE CORRECT STYLES IN

Dress Materials, Garments, Skirts, Waists and Suits

From now on it will be bustle and bustle till after the holidays. Our stock is now very complete in all departments. Have never secured better values than this season, and are proud to introduce you to such a gathering of the Seasons Choicest as can now be found at

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Our NEW YORK GARMENTS arrive this week, and they are BEAUTIFUL. See them SURE before you buy. CAPES lead, with JACKETS a close second.

FRENCH FLANNEL WAISTS.

Perfectly lovely. Handsome as Silk and lots more satisfactory in durability. We also show charming Little Spot Henrietta Waists in a great variety of the popular shades. We without doubt have one of the Choicest lines of

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to be found anywhere in New England, and our prices we guarantee lower than the one can be bought for in the city stores. We humbly believe we can save you dollars if you make your Fall and Winter buying at

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NERVITA PILLS

Restores Vitality, Lost Vigor and Muscles. Cures Impotency, Night Emissions and wasting diseases, all effects of self-abuse, or excess and indigestion. A nerve tonic and blood builder. Brings the pink glow to pale cheeks and restores the fire of youth. Why mail \$1.00 per box, 6 boxes for \$5.00, with a written guarantee to cure or refund the money. Send for circular. Address: NERVITA MEDICAL CO., Clinton & Jackson Sts., CHICAGO, ILL. Sold by C. H. Martin, Druggist, Antrim, N. H.

New Hampshire News.
Items of General Interest Taking Place Over the State.

Ten thousand live-deer brook trout from the government hatchery were received by the Merrimack County Fish and Game League Saturday morning and placed in the brooks in the vicinity of Concord.

Tilton Seminary's football schedule is as follows: Oct. 1, Tilton v. Brewster at Wolfborough; Oct. 6, Tilton v. Holderness at Tilton; Oct. 15, Tilton v. New Hampton at New Hampton; Oct. 22, Tilton v. New Hampton at Tilton.

New Hampshire horses won money on the Grand Circuit this year as follows: Frank Bugash, \$2,375; Evolute, \$1,750; Axt. Ho., \$1,500; Dan Westland, \$650; Kingbird, \$525; Larky Bird, J., \$150. Of all the horse racing Annie Burns won the most money, \$9,325, with Borloma, \$8000, second.

The field meeting of the New Hampshire Federation of clubs, which was to have been held in Boston on Oct. 11th, 12th and 13th in the vicinity of the New Hampshire Club, has been deferred until the 25th, 26th and 27th of the present month. All members of the federate clubs are cordially invited to attend.

The station agents at the following places have received prizes for the display of flowers on the B. & M. railroad: Wilton received fourth prize of \$20; Hillsboro, third prize, \$25; South Merrimack, fifth prize, \$15; Nashua, (Otterson street) sixth prize, \$10; New Boston, sixth prize, \$10; Reed's Ferry, sixth prize, \$10; Greenfield, Nashua, (Main street) South Lyndeboro, seventh prize, \$5.

Sheriff Tuttle of Keene has been to Danvers, N. V., with a warrant and extradition papers for Max Schoenberg or Shuborn, the notorious crook. With him were Detective Goble of the central office New York, who captured Schoenberg after the bank robbery at Walpole, in 1866; Detective J. W. Rogers, David Woods of Boston, who was deputy sheriff at Concord at the time of Schoenberg's trial in 1866, and E. S. Adams of Winchester, and D. L. Stearns of Hinsdale, two of the jury which convicted him at that trial. These men were expected to identify Schoenberg as the man who escaped from Concord state prison 34 years ago. Schoenberg was discharged from Danvers, Wednesday morning, Oct. 10, and was immediately re-arrested by Sheriff Tuttle. He will be confined in the Plattsburg jail in charge of Sheriff Cunningham of Otsego county, pending his hearing on the matter of extradition to New Hampshire before County Judge Stearns of this county.

THE GRAND SCHEMER

A CRISIS COMES AND MAJOR CROFOOT MEETS IT JOYFULLY.

His Frowning Landlord Presents Her Beauty Belated Bill, and She is Promptly Taken into the Universal Medical Company.

(Copyright, 1900, by C. B. Lewis.) Major Crofoot, grand promoter and general organizer, had observed signs of a coming calamity around his boarding-house. He hadn't sat down with pencil and paper and figured that it was three months since he had paid his landlord a dollar, but in a dim, undefined way he put it at about three. He hadn't taken half an hour to wonder how much longer things could run on tick, but hoped it might be for three months more. He was living on at a blissful state of certain uncertainty, finding fault with the steak and suggesting a change of puddings, when the demeanor of the landlord warned him that a crisis was at hand. He was the man for the crisis. It was at the dinner table that the notes of the



"WHY SPEAK OF DOLLARS?" warning bell struck his ear, and when he had finished his meal he rose up before the other boarders with the dignity of a millionaire and observed:

"Madam, the landlord, if not too much trouble I wish you would come to my room this evening for your check. I like to balance my books once a month."

"The sheet told, 'The landlord's frown changed to a smile as soft as jelly, and the three other boarders, who had been noting that the major was a deadbeat and would blnk the house felt a large feeling of awe steal over them. Half an hour later the woman knocked at the major's door and found him seated with his checkbook in front of him."

"My dear woman," he began, as he motioned for her to sit down, "your trust and confidence in me are something sublime—really sublime. I am not a man given to emotion, but in this case—in this case—"

"You owe me three months' room rent and board," she said as he paused to find other words.

"That is the case exactly, as I found to my surprise in footing my ledger this afternoon. Yes, for three long months I have occupied this room and set at your table, and you have not even hinted at billly here in payment. I don't exactly remember what Cleopatra did to win undying fame, but if she reposed the sublime confidence in a man that you have reposed in me I don't wonder that her name is engraven on the scroll of time forever more."

"I have been trying to catch you for the last month, but you have dodged me," replied the landlady with exasperating candor.

"In other words, madam, I have been trying to remember that I owed you a few dollars. However, the fact remains that you did not worry over my indebtedness."

"But I have worried. I have been afraid you'd get your trunk out and skip."

"The fact remains, madam," repeated the major as he nibbled at the penholder and looked into vacancy—"the fact remains that you have not worried. You knew and felt that the debt was safe. You might have worried about others, but about me? Major Crofoot toward the whole world to have a person trust me! Such! Such! Such! Such confidence! Such childish faith in the midst of universal wickedness!"

"And now you will pay me for 13 weeks at \$8 per week," she queried as she laid the bill before him.

"My dear woman," he replied as he rose up to walk about, "why speak of dollars the flight of time? Why speak of dollars? Thirteen weeks at \$8 per week makes a total of \$104, of course, but I should we thus let me settle my account. Let me say that you have put me down as a man of honor. Then let me repay you, for your confidence rather than for your room and board. We will say that I hand you a check for \$200."

Woman's Mistake

It is a well-known fact that Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound has cured more women than any other remedy. It is therefore must be the best possible medicine for female ills. But some women make the mistake of thinking that they will try some other remedy, simply because it is new. This mistake is often a fatal one—fatal to the health and happiness of the experimenter.

It is not foolish to risk the possible results of such experiments? Is it not better to depend upon a medicine which has been tried successfully and which has never been found wanting? Do not therefore let any one persuade you to try something which they say is just as good, cannot be just as good. Lydia E. Pinkham's Compound is the best, and there can be only one best. This is not a mere assertion, but is a positive fact, admitted by hundreds of regular physicians.

Rely on your own common sense, and Mrs. Pinkham's life-long experience, and you will make no mistake. Don't experiment with your health, but take a medicine that you know is good, and is backed by such letters as these to Mrs. Pinkham:

Ovarian Troubles Always Yield to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I had been in poor health for twenty years, having inflammation of ovaries and womb treated. Although treated by physicians, I could not gain strength nor do my work, and was so low-spirited and tired of life. A friend advised me to take Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound. The first bottle strengthened me, and I wrote to you. After taking six bottles I said that I am well and can even to my own washing."—Mrs. M. W. MITCHELL, No. 1033 Canal Street, New Orleans, La.

"For three years I suffered with ovarian trouble, having inflammation and an abscess on right ovary. Had such pain in my back and head, and was unable to walk. Had several doctors, but they did not do me much good. One doctor said that I would have to have an operation and have the ovary removed. I became discouraged and gave up all hopes of getting well. I began taking Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I wrote to Mrs. Pinkham and followed her directions faithfully, and an better than I have been for three years. I have taken ten bottles, and my friends are surprised at my rapid improvement."—Mrs. W. H. WALTERS, Cold Spring Harbor, L. I., N. Y.

Suppressed and Painful Periods Cured by Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I was thin, sallow and nervous. I had not had my menses for over a year and a half. Doctored with several physicians in town and one specialist, but did not get any better. I finally decided to try your medicine, and wrote to you. After I had taken three bottles Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound and three of Blood Purifier, my menses returned, and I feel as well and strong as I ever did. I am glad to say that I do not feel as well and strong as I ever did. I feel as well and strong as I ever did. I feel as well and strong as I ever did."—Miss C. F. GAINES, Visalia, Tulare Co., Cal.

"Before taking the Vegetable Compound I was troubled with irregular menstruation, and suffered great agony. My physician gave me morphine, and I remained as bad. I doctored eight years and got no relief, and the doctors told me there was no relief for my trouble. Finally I tried Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound, and I feel as well and strong as I ever did. I feel as well and strong as I ever did. I feel as well and strong as I ever did."—Miss M. B. BRANSON, Alliance, O.

Baakohe and Womb Troubles Succumb to Lydia E. Pinkham's Vegetable Compound.

"I have been for ten years, as an invalid, and I suffered no tongue can tell. I never spent one week in the ten years that I was free from pain. My trouble was not only a headache and congestion of womb. When I commenced to take your remedy I had been bedfast for some time under the treatment of the best medical skill. I had not received any benefit from any medicine. I felt that I should we thus let me settle my account. Let me say that you have put me down as a man of honor. Then let me repay you, for your confidence rather than for your room and board. We will say that I hand you a check for \$200."

"I don't mean it, major," she exclaimed, with a catch of her breath.

"I sit down thus. I fill in a check for \$200, so. I tear it off and hand it to you, and with it goes a deeper feeling than I can explain. If there are tears in my eyes, you will please excuse them."

"I knew you would pay. I told them you were no deadbeat," said the over-complacent landlady as she held the check in trembling fingers.

"And your confidence was not misplaced. Let me say that this check is made out to the order of J. Jordan. He is the treasurer of the corporation, you know."

"But what corporation?"

"The Universal Musical company, my friend. The organization was perfected last week, all the necessary capital paid in, and we shall begin work next Monday. Having an instinctive feeling that you trusted me and wishing to prove my gratitude in something beyond words, I have reserved \$10,000 worth of stock for you at ground floor prices. A dividend of 50 per cent on this stock, which is a low estimate, brings you in \$5,000 per year. All you need do is sit with folded hands."

"But I don't want stock in any of your companies," she protested in dismay.

"The object of the company," he explained, "is to provide music for the world at the cheapest possible price, and in supplying music we supply contentment, raise the social standard and make the whole world happier and better. We also make a saving in provisions and fuel. A man with a fiddle will sit for hours and never know whether a room is hot or cold. A woman who is giving Mozart a twist on the piano wants neither dinner nor supper. Give a boy a mouth organ and he will not ask for bread and butter as long as he has wind enough left to blow. It is the scheme of my life, and millions of profit will soon be rolling in."

"But about this check?" she inquired.

BENNINGTON.

Three weeks to election.

Work is progressing on the water system.

Miss Mary Harrison has gone to Boston to work.

James E. Favor has posted notices offering a reward for information leading to the recovery of his Shepard dog. Read description and watch for the animal.

The Pomona Grange will meet with Bennington Grange, Oct. 24.

The dance on Friday evening last was well attended.

On Thursday evening last the scholars of the Grammar school gave an entertainment and baked-bean supper at the Town hall, the proceeds of which go towards the monument fund. The affair was a great success and reflects credit on those who had it in charge as well as those who took part. A bountiful supper was served and the following program was presented:

- 1—Song, Bright Autumn Days.
- 2—October March.
- 3—Recitation, Little Barbara's Hymn.
- 4—Star Spangled Banner.
- 5—Piano Duet.
- 6—Recitation, My Grandma.
- 7—Brother Jonathan's Birthday.
- 8—Tableau, Listening to the Fairies.
- 9—Some Familiar Ghosts.

At the close of the entertainment the floor was cleared for promenading and a most pleasant season enjoyed.

An effort is being made to form a choral class in Bennington under Prof. E. G. Hood instructor in vocal music in Nashua schools. Anybody desiring information as to terms, etc., enquire of Edith L. Lawrence or E. H. Taft.

George O. Joslin, our enterprising merchant, is this week distributing large flyers telling of his immense stock of clothing and general merchandise; there are bargains for those in need of goods in his stock, and you will be sure to get courteous treatment and good goods. Read about the assortment and low prices offered.

Guard Your Sight With a Pair of Good Glasses. The White Front, Hillsboro, N. H.

pianos or organs, zithers, banjos, harps, hand organs, mouth organs, brass bands, bugles, fives and drums. From 7 o'clock in the morning to 10 o'clock at night there is music. No one has time to quarrel or get drunk. No one stops to eat or wonder whether it's cold or hot. Music evokes sentiment, love, pity, charity. Human nature is elevated and purified, and the rest for the various instruments comes rolling in as fast as two men can count the dollars. My dear woman, you see—"

"But this check?"

"You will take it to J. Jordan and deposit it as security for your stock, and you will order two pianos, three fiddles, four harps, two drums and a set of bagpipes for this house. The effect on your boarders will be—"

"But I thought you were going to—"

"What do I know about your company or stocks? Whenever I present my bill, you always dodge and twist."

"In case you do not wish to use the check to secure stock you can ask Mr. Jordan to endorse it over to me. I will then endorse it to the vice president, he will endorse it to the secretary, and the secretary will endorse it to you. You will then have to be identified at the bank. It will take some few days or weeks to obtain the money, but it is a mere question of time. You will then have to pay the bank. Let me say that you have put me down as a man of honor. Then let me repay you, for your confidence rather than for your room and board. We will say that I hand you a check for \$200."

"No answer."

"And you'll have to go!"

"But she talked to the silence of the grave." M. QUAD.

War Between Spain and America.

Wars seem to be necessary evils, yet they bring the best results, and we can see already a great good that has come out of a recent war between Spain and America. It has shown that America has no sectional issues. Florida is no North, no South, no East and no West; but a United Country. The boys from Old North State, North Carolina, stood side by side with those from the Yankee State, Massachusetts. It was very gratifying to see how the Southern people welcomed and honored the "Yankee boys" as they passed Southward and it shows to us all, that the men and women of the South are loyal to the old flag. Yet many Northern people have for several years contended that the South was "true blue" and would respond when the time came. Many people up this way have friends and kinpeople who sort Southern Pines, (Yankee town), in North Carolina and they have been writing of the kind sentiments and hundreds of them are going to visit the Sealboard Air Line office at 208 Washington St., Boston, or the ticket office of the Merchants & Miners Steamers in Boston, will soon visit one of the fact that daily many New Englanders are going South. The Sealboard Air Line is one of the most progressive Southern lines, and those who have opened an office of information right in the heart of New England for the purpose of inviting the people to go South, and those who have accepted this invitation have returned with words of praise as to the treatment they received.

Be sure to go via Southern Pines or via Florida as it is the shortest route. For information write to J. T. Patrick, Pinebluff, N. C.

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Young Brides

who want an easy and quick answer to the daily question, "What shall we have for Dinner, or for Supper, or for Breakfast?" should take the Boston Daily and Sunday Globe.

Every day The Globe publishes a simple, inexpensive and nice bill of fare for a breakfast, a dinner and a supper. This is especially prepared by an experienced, skilled and economical housekeeper.

In addition, the choicest recipes from the skilled cooks of the homes of New England are printed every day, and any special recipes wanted by any woman are readily supplied.

In fact, The Globe is a daily cook for the housekeepers of New England. The Housekeepers Department in The Globe every day tells you how to get rid of pests, how to take care of plants, flowers and animals, how to do fancy work, etc., etc. Order The Globe at once of your newsdealer and try it.

According to a report of the Labor Commissioner of New Hampshire, the shoe output of that state was \$22,900,000.

Robbed The Grave.

A startling incident, is narrated by John Oliver of Philadelphia, as follows: "I was in an awful condition. My skin was almost yellow, eyes sunken, tongue coated, pain continually in back and sides, no appetite, growing weaker day by day. Three physicians had given me up. Then I was advised to use Electric Bitters: to my great joy, the first bottle made a decided improvement. I continued their use for three weeks and am now a well man. I know they robbed the grave of another victim." No one should fail to try it. Only 50c., guaranteed, at Martin's drug store.

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Do not get scared if your heart troubles you. Most likely you suffer from indigestion. Kodol Dyspepsia Cure digests what you eat and gives the worn out stomach perfect rest. It is the only preparation known that completely digests all classes of foods; that is why it cures the worst cases of indigestion and stomach trouble after everything else has failed. It may be taken in all conditions and cannot help do you good. Chas. H. Martin, Antrim, Eaton Bros., Hancock, G. O. Joslin, Bennington.

Kodol Dyspepsia Cure "Digests what you eat."

An official return from the British War Office shows that the distinctively Scottish regiments in the war contain 20,000 men.

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It is estimated that the number of Germans and their descendants in the United States is 16,000,000.

Blood.

We live by our blood, and on it. We thrive or starve, as our blood is rich or poor.

There is nothing else to live on or by.

When strength is full and spirits high, we are being refreshed, bone muscle and brain, in body and mind, with continuing flow of rich blood.

This is health.

When weak, in low spirits no cheer, no spring, when rest is not rest and sleep is not sleep, we are starved; our blood is poor; there is little nutriment in it.

Back of the blood, is food, to keep the blood rich. When it fails; take Scott's Emulsion of Cod Liver Oil. It sets the whole body going again—man woman and child.

If you have not tried it, send for free sample, its agreeable taste will surprise you. SCOTT & BOWEN, Chemists, 69-71 Broadway, New York. Sold and sent 25c. all druggists.

For Sale.

SINGLESEX. I have a nice lot of Maine shingles which are for sale at a reasonable price. They are first quality goods. Apply to JAS. W. MERRILL, Antrim.

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The season for its use is almost here, the ice is secured, but the cost of getting it was so much that I shall be obliged to advance on the price \$2. a hundred lbs. Small deliveries as in other years. All orders promptly filled. Ice kept at Barn. G. H. HUTCHINSON, Depot St., Antrim, N. H.

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BONG.
We are so jolly, contented and gay. Kind and I and the baby. What do we care for the apples we eat. Kind and I and the baby? Politics, we care for the tariff may go. Kind and I and the baby. We're a triumvirate, mighty and low. Kind and I and the baby.

UNDER SIXTY FEET OF ICE.

BY M. QUAD.
CONTRACT, 1900, BY C. L. LEVIE.

Cherry Island lies 1,400 miles directly north of Sweden and is the dividing line between the Greenland and the Barents seas. A line drawn from east to west would strike Nova Zembla on the one end and Hudson's Land on the other. There are about 60 days in the year when the island enjoys the heat and the verdure of summer, but during the remainder there are such an amount of darkness and loneliness as may be found nowhere else outside of the north pole itself. In the deep, dark ravines the eagles never thawed since frozen cubs of thousands of years ago, and on the north side are blocks of ice which were cast up there when the Creator was seeking to bring order out of chaos.

In the year 1890 an English scientific society fitted out what was known as the Cherry Island expedition. It was purely in the interest of natural history. Certain fish and birds which had become extinct in the south were to be found on there, according to the reports of whalers, and that was the object in fitting out the brig Albatross for a voyage from London. Aside from a strong landed crew, three professors and four or five students accompanied the expedition, and after a voyage of about two months they reached Cherry Island soon after the beginning of its brief summer. The last 200 miles of our run was made through field ice, with giant icebergs to be seen on every hand, and we found a great length of shore piled high with blocks of ice from 2 to 25 feet thick. It was a three days' job to warp the brig into a safe anchorage on the south side of the island, and when we had her secure most of the people went ashore to live for a time in tents. Notwithstanding the sunshine and verdure, there was a loneliness about the place that made one afraid. We had expected to find polar bears and rabbits in plenty, but there was not a bit of animal life, excepting a few stray seals, to be encountered. Birds there were in plenty, however, and of the species desired, while the land was not so good for the casting of a hook. Each professor had his work out for him, and I was attached to Professor John Saunders of the Royal museum as a helper. He was after birds and their eggs, and when we had been on the island a few days he had procured a specimen of the great auk, which species was supposed to have been extinct for a quarter of a century past. But three of these birds were seen during our stay of 10 days, and we took one away with us, and the rest were left for the birds to take care of.

The island, which is of volcanic origin, is a mere jumble of rocks. It is 11 miles long by 5 in breadth at the time of our visit, but it was higher than ten feet. The ground between bowlders and on the slopes, with patches of coarse grass all about, but there was not a level spot half an acre in extent on the whole island. It was intersected in many places by deep, narrow ravines, and some of awful depth, and during a storm, when the surf was bringing in great blocks of ice and heaving them upon the rocks, there were rumblings and echoes in those dark ravines to make a man pale about the eyes and to make one feel that he had had pretty thoroughly explored it when Professor Saunders and my humble self met with an accident one day which led to a most strange discovery. We had set off together on a hunt after birds' eggs, and in walking along a very narrow ledge, I stepped over the edge, but neither of us was hurt beyond a few bruises. Owing to the wet grass we could not climb out at that spot and so continued on down the ravine. Having presently come upon a few bones, which the professor pronounced as belonging to a polar bear, we decided to follow the ravine to its mouth. It led almost north and south. It was dry now, but there were times when it must have been filled with water from bank to bank.

It was a lonesome journey we made, but it ended at last at a wall of ice within half a mile of the surf. At that point the depth of the ravine was about 100 feet, and though the sun was shining above, it was like entering a down draught, and before we were brought to a standstill we found the body of a man lying against the wall of rock on the right hand side and ten feet above our heads. It was caught and held fast on a point of rock. We were both a good deal startled by the gruesome sight, and had it been a sailor with me I know I should have taken to my heels.

"We have a mystery here and must solve it," said the professor, "or he will come up by surprise." Let us get the body down and make an investigation. It was neither a body nor a skeleton. The cold had preserved the flesh to a certain extent, but the action of the water running down the ravine had also worn it away. The face was well preserved, and the hair was as firm as in life. It was the remains of a man who had weighed perhaps 100 pounds, but I had no difficulty in detaching it from the rock and lowering it down. What remained of the clothing proved that the man had either been a sailor or a sailor, but his nationality could only be guessed at.

"At some time or other," said the professor as he looked about, "this ravine has been a creek of considerable size. Snowing down to the sea, the man came up from the beach, but we now find a wall of ice blocking it up. The ice has formed since he came. There should be a boat frozen up in the wall between us and the sea."

"We had no way to make a torch of, and extracting our steps to a point where we could climb out of the ravine, we left the mystery to be solved another day. There was much discussion around the campfire that evening, and early next morning we set out to see if the ravine had once upon a time opened to the sea. We soon found it had. Its mouth had been in a small bay, but a storm had filled it with bowlders and dammed back the waters flowing down. Between the sea and the spot where we found the body the ice was from 50 to 70 feet thick. If it melted it would lead a few feet in the summer, the rain and snow of winter speedily replaced what had been lost. We found this ice as clear as glass and as hard as iron, but powder was brought from the brig, and holes were drilled and in a couple of days had blasted out a couple of rifts to half its depth. Everybody had a suspicion of what was frozen in down there, but yet the discovery gave us a shock. When but 30 feet of ice lay between us and the bottom of the ravine we made our way through the ice, and in a few minutes a full of a ship standing on an even keel. It was the hull of a brig, with masts gone, but otherwise intact. We could even make out the iron which had been frozen stiff as iron while they were on the deck, but they were as hard as dead men in their graves. To blast out the remaining depths of ice and clear the ravine was a task requiring more aid than we could spare and more powder than we had aboard. We had to be content with what we could reach half a century ago, a merchant vessel had made that little bay in distress. Wave and tide had carried her up to the creek, and wave and tide had blocked her exit. Then she began to freeze in. No man can say how long it took for the ice to fill the bay, but it was a solid mass 60 feet above her decks, but decades must have passed. If one of her crew got away up to the ravine why not all of them? And yet no other body or remains were to be found on the island, and it is a mystery that will never be solved. There came a day when food and fuel were exhausted, when avalanches of snow covered the decks and the cold of winter froze the marrow of their bones, and they lay away in forest and cabin and died with their eyes staring into the void. When on our return to London the case was reported and made much of in the papers, but no government or individual has ever gone further than we did. A hulk lies there full of dead men—a hulk which will melt in a few years, and there it will lie until time is no more and chaos reigns again. It might be blasted out, but of what use? The solving of one mystery of the sea more or less would count for but little.

HER ANSWER.
"Dear Nell," he wrote, "I have visited the bank and I need to see you. I shall be my most embarrassed. And each shall tell me how deep and true the love is, and how true. For him, what messengers more meet? Are they not typical of you? They are!"

SURGEONS' THREAD.

MATERIALS THAT ARE USED TO SEW UP CUTS AND WOUNDS.

There are many kinds of instruments and needles and a great variety of stitches used in Life Saving Operations. Imagine a tailor who deliberately sews give way at a certain time. Suppose he should use one kind of thread in a coat warranted to break in one week, another kind in the trousers guaranteed to fall apart in a month and using permanent material only in making up a waistcoat. Yet this is exactly what the surgeon does every day. Sutures, as the surgeon's thread is called, are made from various materials, according to the requirements, catgut, silver, kangaroo tendon and horsehair are in common use.

Catgut was at one time obtained from members of the feline tribe. As its use increased the supply ran short. The material is now obtained from an acceptable substitute. So catgut used by surgeons, jewelers and makers of musical instruments comes now from the submucosa, or middle layer of the intestine of a sheep. It is the most commonly used of all suturing materials, but it is not so durable, depending on the individual upon whom they are used. In occasional instances catgut sutures have been known to be absorbed in 36 hours. By treating it with chromic acid such a suture will remain in place for many weeks. Its adaptability and the cheapness of the material catgut heads the list of surgical threads.

Silkworm gut can be more thoroughly sterilized than any other known suture material. In preparing sutures of all sorts the usual method is to boil the material in water to allow it to soak for 24 hours, then place it in alcohol for a day or two and follow this with a bath of mercury solution. Notwithstanding this thorough cleansing, the microscope reveals germs still present in varying numbers in many instances. Silkworm gut, however, is more thoroughly sterilized than other materials treated in this way; hence it is highly recommended for surgical work. The material is extracted from a silkworm killed immediately before it begins to weave its cocoon. Unfortunately for the surgeon, the cocoon is not so absorbent, but remains permanently in place. For this reason its use is restricted to special work.

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"After carefully perusing the leading article written for the present number by one of the ablest of our contributors, we have arrived at the conclusion that it may be misinterpreted by the public and regarded as an attack upon the government. We ourselves consider it to be perfectly innocent; but, as we are unwilling, for our readers' sake as well as for our own, to have our newspaper confiscated, we have very unwillingly, though we do so heartily, decided to withdraw the article. This must serve as the apology to our readers for the blank space in our present issue."

The Journal was published in the evening, and the shy editor, after performing his duty, was sitting at his desk in high humor. As soon as he had arrived in the office the next morning a clerk came up to him, with a doleful expression and said, "Herr Redaktor, for what reason is confiscated the article?" "For what reason?" asked the editor, "it is perfectly innocent." "The article is a satire upon the Austrian empire by the omission of the leading article," replied the man.

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The tray is a very large wooden, plated or silver affair, according to the social and financial condition of the family, and thereon is deposited a capacious bowl. About it are ranged saucers of sliced cheese, cucumbers, olives and sweetmeats of all sorts. Interspersed with these are goblets of sherbet, pieces of hot unleavened bread and a number of boxwood spoons, with which to drink the soup.

Knives, forks and plates are not figured in the Turkish service, but each one has a napkin spread upon his knees, and every one, armed with a spoon, helps himself. When this is consumed, the bowl is borne away, and another great dish takes its place. This time it is a conglomeration of substantial, all stewed together, such as mutton, game or poultry. The mess has been divided by the cook into small portions, which are dipped up with the aid of a spoon or with the fingers.

For the host to fish out of the mess a winged leg of a fowl and present it to the guest is considered a great compliment, and for a Turk of high degree to roll a morsel between his fingers and then put it into the mouth of a visitor is looked upon as the height of favor and good manners.

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