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## TOWN AND COUNTY NEWS.

**Weather Record.**  
At Bingham's drug store, for the week ending  
July 11, 1888.

	Highest.	Lowest.
Thursday	76	56
Friday	74	54
Saturday	74	54
Sunday	74	54
Monday	74	54
Tuesday	74	54
Wednesday	74	54

## NEW ADS. IN THIS PAPER.

Summer goods marked down—E. D. Steele & Co.  
Clearance Sale—J. A. Moore.  
Presentation of Account—Martha H. Goss's Est.  
Notice—T. R. Goss.  
Summer Boarders—Mrs. J. M. Puffer.

## BRIEF LOCALS.

The democratic county convention  
will be held here at the town hall  
Thursday, July 26.

—There will be a preaching service  
at the Baptist church on Railroad street  
next Sunday as usual.

—The Catholics will hold a fair in  
their school building in August from  
the 15th through the 25th.

—The prohibitionists will soon put  
out a campaign flag and have a first  
class raising of their own.

—G. A. Whitcher has closed his dry  
goods store under Music hall and mov-  
ed his stock to the Railroad street  
store.

—Foster G. Stevens removes his  
tailoring establishment from the Ma-  
sonic block to his new store in Music  
hall the first of next week.

—The South church society of "Little  
Helpers," numbering about 40 little  
girls, were entertained at a lawn party  
by Mrs. Henry Fairbanks last Friday  
afternoon.

—An excursion train passed through  
here Tuesday carrying about 250 Ro-  
man Catholics from Portland on a pil-  
grimage to the Shrine of St. Anne,  
near Quebec.

—A kerosene lamp exploded in the  
second story of D. R. Miles' steam  
laundry Thursday night, filling the  
building with smoke, but a serious fire  
was avoided.

—Joseph Gauthier has bought the  
stock of boots and shoes in the Ward  
block lately owned by Lantcet &  
Synch, insolvents, and will run that  
store with the aid of a clerk.

—The lecture committee have en-  
gaged ex-senator and Gov. Will Cum-  
back of Indiana as one of the lecturers  
of next season's course, an eloquent  
speaker who will consider some live  
questions of the hour.

—Rev. G. H. Bailey gave the young  
men a good talk Sunday afternoon.  
Rev. Mr. Crowe of the Presbyterian  
church will be present and speak at  
the regular monthly meeting of the Y. M.  
A. Saturday evening.

—Dr. T. R. Goss has exchanged his  
house on Railroad street and practice  
with Dr. Charles B. Hall of Rockport,  
Mass. Dr. Hall formerly lived in this  
place and worked at the scale shops.  
He is a brother of Dana Hall.

—The drowning season has arrived  
and boys cannot be too careful in tak-  
ing risks in and on the water and  
parents will hardly caution their children  
too much about the danger they will  
sustain if they thoughtlessly incur.

—Harvin Paddock has presented to  
the Y. M. C. A. one of his patent auto-  
matic weighing and measuring ma-  
chines that will be put in the depot,  
to be used in going to aid in the  
support of the association work.

—Gov. Ormabee has appointed Derby  
as the place and August 21 as the  
time for the annual muster of the Ver-  
mont national guard. The greater  
portion of the companies go to Derby  
in St. Johnsbury. The Mechanics  
and West Randolph will furnish  
music at the camp.

—One of the employes at the "damp"  
and his thumb caught Monday while  
backing cars necessitating its ampu-  
tation at the first joint. This is the  
first and only accident that has occur-  
ed during the changes that have been  
going on at the crossing under Cald-  
well & Varum.

—The first number of Among the  
lions of this season issued Tuesday  
says that good sized snow banks are  
all visible in various parts of the  
White mountains, reluctant to depart,  
and waging a plucky war with the so-  
lar forces. The scenic beauties of the  
mountains in early July were never  
more charming than they are this year.

—As Franklin Emerson was driving  
some from church Sunday afternoon,  
his horse stepped on a round stone on  
Western avenue, directly in front of  
the Governor Fairbanks place and fell,  
breaking both shafts and the harness.  
The horse is a high spirited animal but  
Mr. Emerson was able to control him  
and no further damage was done. And

yet the village authorities keep several  
teams carting stones into the streets to  
the imminent danger of every one who  
drives over them.

—Henry Carrick of the Carrick  
Brothers Granite company attended  
the Gettysburg reunion last week,  
bringing home with him an order for  
another monument, the figure of a  
sharp-shooter. This makes three mon-  
uments that the Carrick company have  
contracted to make for the Vermont  
Gettysburg commissioners to be placed  
on the battlefield,—the chief monu-  
ment patterned after the Nelson in  
Trafalgar square, one for the 1st brig-  
ade which is to be the figure of a lion  
and this one of the sharp-shooter.

**The Weather and the Hay Crop.**  
Up to yesterday ten days of hot sun  
without any rain had dried up the  
streams very much and the ground was  
getting parched. This weather, how-  
ever, gave the farmers an excellent op-  
portunity for haying. Last night and  
this morning there were frequent and  
boonish showers. Yesterday was a  
great day for getting in hay as rain  
threatened. A. S. Livingston put away  
17 loads of hay from the Fairbanks  
farm, and in the last ten days 136 loads  
have been housed averaging over a ton  
to the load. Mr. Livingston's opinion  
coincides with other haymakers in this  
and other towns, that this crop is  
smaller than last year's but of a better  
quality.

**Some Recent Deaths.**  
F. F. Rutter, aged about 60, who  
has been ill and came here from Hol-  
land for medical treatment some weeks  
ago, died very suddenly and unexpect-  
edly Saturday afternoon at the resi-  
dence of his son-in-law Henry Albee,  
Western avenue, where he was stop-  
ping. The cause of his death was sup-  
posed to be a heart trouble.

Mrs. Palmer E. Paine, who died  
July 5 at her home on Cliff street, was  
the daughter of Rev. James G. Gilbert,  
a Congregational missionary at Phil-  
lipsburg, Canada. She had lived in  
town for some years, a quiet, useful  
life. She leaves a husband and several  
adult children. Her remains were  
taken to Montpelier.

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road with his residence in St. Johns-  
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**A Live Local Question.**  
Whether the people of this town  
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And this is liable to come very soon.

**Boy Drowned.**  
Alphonse, a 15 year old son of  
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drowned in the Passumpsic river a lit-  
tle way above the Portland street  
bridge on Monday morning. He was  
"in swimming" with a younger broth-  
er and a Lanctot boy. He could swim  
some but not very much. He plunged  
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called for help. He continued to sink  
and rise several times, each time he  
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**A Bad Lot.**  
Olivina M. Amesen, who has figured  
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tocratic in this county court, appears again  
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in the occasion of a divorce suit brought  
by Mrs. Emily S. Merrill, wife of G. E.  
Merrill, a prominent member of Man-  
chester, N. H., the Amesen woman  
having been living with Merrill at Chi-  
cago under the assumed names of Mr.  
and Mrs. Orme.

**PERSONAL MENTION.**  
Mrs. C. C. Sanborn and her daughter  
Birdie are at Milton.

Egbert S. Foster of Manchester, N.  
H., is visiting Charles S. Hastings.  
Edgar Hunt of East Hardwick spent  
several days in town the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Switzer are at  
Ocean Park for the summer.

Miss Nellie Stevens of Minneapolis  
is visiting in town, her former home.  
J. R. Batchelder and wife are at Old  
Orchard where Mr. Batchelder is build-  
ing a cottage.

Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Stafford and  
Mrs. Frank Stafford go to Pigeon Cove  
to-day for a summer vacation.

Mrs. A. L. Bailey and Miss Lucy  
Sinclair go to Pigeon Cove, Mass., to-  
day for a vacation season.

Simon E. Bellnap started for Min-  
neapolis yesterday where he goes to  
visit a brother and on a business pro-  
specting tour.

A. E. Pridge, foreman on the Fair-  
banks farm, is taking an enforced vaca-  
tion, having had a prostrating hemor-  
rhage.

Mrs. C. C. Hall and daughter Agnes  
are at Ocean Park, Old Orchard. At  
last accounts Miss Hall was improving  
in health.

Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Hardy and son  
are at Brookfield, Mrs. Hardy's home,  
where they will spend a portion of the  
summer vacation.

Dr. and Mrs. G. F. Cheney are at  
Kittery Point, Maine, and expect to be  
joined on Saturday by Mrs. Ella Trux  
and Miss Etta Newell.

Mrs. D. A. Morrison attends the  
Chautauquan assembly at Weirs next  
week, going from thence to Boston for  
the purchase of new goods.

A. B. Rowell and wife have moved  
to Sunapee, N. H. Mr. Rowell was en-  
gaged in the electric light business in  
this place up to his removal.

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not conflict with this arrangement.  
With his large salary for church sing-  
ing and the proceeds of concerting  
tours, together with a lucrative dental  
practice in which profession he is skill-  
ed, Mr. Clark should be able to make  
the ends meet, and we think he will.  
As is known to many readers, Mr.  
Clark is a St. Johnsbury boy, son of  
Mrs. E. F. Brown and a brother of  
John C. Clark, cashier of the First Na-  
tional bank and Mrs. A. D. Rowell, all  
of this place.

**An Unfortunate Affair.**  
Mrs. Flora Hoyt Sylvester, wife of  
Levi A. Sylvester of South street, who  
left St. Johnsbury with her seven year  
old daughter Hattie on June 18, osten-  
sibly to visit her sister in Plymouth,  
N. H., has written her husband that  
she will not return to him. The affair  
has created a good deal of excitement  
in this community the past week. The  
circumstances of the case may be brief-  
ly stated thus: Mrs. Sylvester left here  
as above stated remaining with her  
sister at Plymouth about a week.  
From thence she went it is supposed  
to Boston returning from there by  
mail a mileage ticket which had been  
loaned her. From that time nothing  
has been heard of or from her until  
Friday morning when her husband re-  
ceived a letter from her stating that  
she should never live with him again,  
having transferred her affections to  
another, but that opportunity would  
be given him later on to see the child.  
The letter did not name the person  
with whom she had departed and the  
present whereabouts of Mrs. Sylvester  
or of the child are not known to the  
family or friends in St. Johnsbury.  
She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs.  
Simeon Hoyt of Summerville, aged and  
worthy citizens who are prostrated by  
her action. Mr. and Mrs. Sylvester  
have been married about 10 years, she  
being 34 years of age, finding a pleas-  
ant and every way attractive home  
with his father and mother, Mr. and  
Mrs. C. A. Sylvester, on South street,  
well known and respected citizens. So  
far as has been known to the general  
public the family relations have been  
perfectly harmonious and agreeable.  
The blow falls with special severity  
upon her aged father and mother as  
well as upon Mr. Sylvester's mother,  
who is an invalid, and the younger  
Sylvester whose home is thus broken  
up.

Countless rumors have been in cir-  
culation as to the person with whom  
she is now associated and as to her  
present whereabouts, but no facts have  
as yet developed that will justify the  
publication of any other names. All  
the statements in relation to this phase  
of the matter that have been so freely  
circulated in this community have so  
far proved on investigation to be rum-  
ors in no case sufficiently substantiated  
to warrant being made public at this  
time.

**The Water Power Company.**  
B. G. Howe's so-called water power  
in the Passumpsic river, opposite the  
fair ground, has been absorbed by the  
parties who own the falls a little lower  
down the river, and Mr. Howe is now  
a partner in this concern, the other  
partners being Harvin Paddock, John  
Belknap, T. C. Fletcher and Irving  
Frost. This new company now con-  
trols all the water between the mouth of  
Sleeper's river and the fall where they  
propose to build a dam, a half mile  
farther down the river. It is evident-  
ly the plan to attempt to utilize this  
power for the purpose of running the  
village's prospective electric light,  
though the company are not without  
hope of drawing some manufacturing  
establishment to this point. They ex-  
pect to get a fourteen feet "head" by  
building a proper dam and flowing  
back to Sleeper's river.

**Summer Excursions.**  
The Passumpsic division advertises  
these summer excursion round-trip  
tickets from St. Johnsbury, correspond-  
ing rates being given from other points  
on the road: To Montreal, \$7.10;  
Quebec, \$8.95; St. Leon Springs, \$10.00;  
Newport, including the lake trip,  
\$17.00.

The Winnepesaukee Lake assembly  
at Weirs comes next week beginning  
at 17th and continuing through to the  
27th. Eminent speakers and a varied  
programme have been provided. Mr.  
Frost's lecture comes on the afternoon  
of the 24th. Hotel rates average from  
\$1 to \$2 a day. Round trip fare from  
St. Johnsbury, \$2.75.

The Odd Fellows have an excursion  
to Weirs August 1 and 2.

**A High Flyer.**  
One of W. P. Fairbanks' horses had  
an experience Monday. In backing up  
a cart load of rubbish to the edge of  
the South Main street embankment,  
the cart went back a trifle too far,  
the horse went heavy enough to hold it  
and up the astonished animal went in-  
to the air and in less time than it takes  
to tell it had turned a summersault  
and was lodged fast in a tree. When  
the harness was cut away and the horse  
liberated it turned another summersault  
and landed at the foot of the em-  
bankment on Railroad street, and be-  
fore the man in charge could reach it  
was quietly nibbling grass apparently  
none the worse for his flying trip.

**A Dog Story.**  
Charles S. Hastings owns a diminut-  
ive but very intelligent dog that sud-  
denly disappeared one day last week.  
Hastings brought in a "dog lost" ad-  
vertisement, but before the Caledonian  
was issued the dog turned up,—another  
proof of the value of advertising in

this paper. But where had that little  
dog been? It seems that "Frisky,"  
the dog, had been in the habit of  
accompanying Mrs. Hastings in her  
walks, and had often been to North  
Concord to visit Hastings' farm. On  
the day in question Mrs. Hastings re-  
fused to permit Frisky to go out with  
her as usual. The dog waited until  
the coast was clear and then trotted  
down to Hastings' office. Finding no-  
body there Frisky went on down to  
the depot and out of three trains stand-  
ing in the yard at the time selected the  
right one and rode up to North Con-  
cord getting off at the station all right  
and going up to Hastings' farm and  
was found there later making a social  
call on an old dog acquaintance. Per-  
haps somebody informed in dogology  
can explain how Frisky managed to  
pick out the right train at the St.  
Johnsbury station, a thing the average  
citizen finds it hard to do in the  
absence of any evidence as to where the  
trains are going.

**THE FRATERNITIES.**  
At the annual election of Apollo No.  
2, Knights of Pythias, these officers  
were elected: P. C., E. H. Blossom;  
C. C., C. A. Norton; V. C., T. R. Stiles;  
Prelate, T. R. Goss; M. E., C. E. Som-  
erville; M. F., H. A. Stanley; K. R. S.,  
F. W. Robinson; M. A., P. J. Cowles.

At the meeting of Canton Crescent  
last Friday evening seven new mem-  
bers were admitted to the order, after  
which a grand canton was instituted by  
Assistant Surgeon General J. H.  
Jones of Bradford, assisted by other  
staff officers. These officers were elect-  
ed: Captain, O. S. Abbott; Lieutenant,  
Henry A. Holder; Ensign, Harry H.  
Carr.

**THE TOWNS AROUND.**  
**BARNET.**  
**A Bear Hunt.**  
As Mr. and Mrs. Gilman were riding  
toward the village Thursday afternoon  
and had reached B. R. Wallace's farm  
the horse appeared frightened and just  
as they were about to dismount a  
struck in the knee by the tines of a  
pitchfork in the hands of the man  
pitching on. Lockjaw ensued and for  
several days Mr. Craig has been in a  
very critical condition.

A large audience heard George W.  
Pennington lecture on the temperance  
last week Tuesday. At the close  
of the meeting a prohibition club was  
organized with the following officers:  
President, Rev. Mark Atwood; vice  
president, Asa Randall, Mrs. Wm.  
Russlow; secretary, Edward Snelling;  
treasurer, Mrs. E. Snelling; executive  
committee, in addition to the above,  
George R. Drew and Mrs. Hattie Craig.

**SOUTH DANVILLE.**  
S. A. Howard has organized a Sun-  
day school as a branch of the Metho-  
dist society at Danville Green. The  
school has 10 young folks in it, and  
a Bible class of 10 members. The school  
meets at 4 o'clock every Sabbath and  
afterwards a prayer meeting is held.

**HARDWICK.**  
**Our Heavy Tax Payers.**  
The grand list of the town is \$757,539,  
of which \$461,337 is on real estate  
and \$113,982 on personal property.  
There are 375 polls, and the tax of one  
per cent. on the grand list amounts to  
\$7,575.19. Following is a list of the  
tax payers of the town whose tax ex-  
ceeds \$25:

Aiken, D. W.	\$43.00
Ainsworth, J. R.	\$31.10
Adgate, L. W.	\$29.91
Allen, Mrs. E. J.	\$27.17
Bridgman, D. Jr.	\$29.44
Dorman Est.	\$55.37
Bailey, Socrates	\$46.68
Card, S.	\$43.50
Chubb, D. S.	\$37.00
Colburn, W. H. Estate	\$41.92
Cate, W. W.	\$34.57
Clement, W. O.	\$34.17
Delano, Mrs. J. V.	\$49.76
Dimick, J. H.	\$49.45
Dow, G. E.	\$27.00
Foss, L. C.	\$53.03
French, Mrs. E. A.	\$41.52
Goodrich, L. A.	\$26.56
Gould, Curtis	\$38.05
Gifford, W. W.	\$24.73
George, J. H.	\$32.11
Hale, J. A.	\$36.40
Hale, J. S.	\$38.15
Haynes, G. A.	\$40.00
Hathaway, M. V. B.	\$47.00
L. D.	\$45.05
L. Est.	\$1.00
Hancock, J. E.	\$38.80
Holton, Mrs. H. Est. Sias Est.	\$56.35
Hovey, J. H.	\$47.58
Huntley, Z. R.	\$34.05
Hunt, Edgar	\$48.07
Johnson, G. L.	\$34.35
Johnson, J. S.	\$31.82
Jurady, A. E. Est.	\$32.21
Leavitt, L. D. Est.	\$35.91
Lovjoy, C. J.	\$53.53
Montgomery, J. S.	\$38.83
McDaniels, J. D.	\$29.24
Faine, O. R.	\$29.24
P. S.	\$47.75
Powers, Bernard	\$32.34
Ranson, C. W.	\$29.81
Richardson, S. M.	\$29.81
Swerdinger, H. D.	\$53.50
Stevens, J. M. Est.	\$34.00
Sutton, W. W.	\$25.00
Smith & Harrington	\$44.27
H. A.	\$29.93
Tucker & Bridgman	\$29.82
Thomas, M. Est. Thomas Est.	\$38.80
Tucker, M. E.	\$64.72
Underwood, Cyrus	\$35.96
Wheatley, G. S.	\$41.20
Warren, L. H. and wife	\$53.50

**WEST BURKE.**  
Clark Kinnall has gone to Lowell to  
work for a few weeks.

Daniel Hunt from East Hardwick  
moves into Byron's house.

Mrs. M. A. Townsend goes to Wind-  
sor to canvass for the American Bible  
society.

Rev. J. Morse who has been away  
the past few weeks for his health re-  
turned on Thursday.

There will be a flag raising and  
speeches here Monday afternoon. Sen-  
ator Bates and Judge Smith of St.  
Johnsbury are expected to be present  
and speak on the issues of the day.

**WEST CONCORD.**  
**Attacked by a Bull.**  
While William Douglas and his son  
were mending a fence in their pasture  
Friday they had a terrible contest with  
Marshall Knapp's bull that was pastur-  
ing there. The bull first attacked Mr.  
Douglas and knocked him down. The  
son caught the axe and struck the bull  
several times. The bull charged for  
the boy and tossed him once or twice.  
The father then struck the infuriated  
animal with the axe between the horns  
and stunned him to such an extent that  
both were able to get over the fence  
and escape. No bones were broken  
but both were badly bruised and un-  
able to work around for several days.

Irma Spreng is quite low with bilious  
fever but it is expected her trip will re-  
cover. The new bobbin mill has started up.  
It has a capacity of 12,000 bobbins a  
day.

Clarence Cutting, son of O. B. Cut-  
ting, had a narrow escape from diph-  
theria this week. Two more of John  
Douglas' horses are down with diphther-  
ia but getting along comfortably.

A son of Jonathan Adams left a load-  
ed team on the high bank opposite  
Parson's mill Tuesday night and the  
horses backed off into the mill  
dam. Strange to state the only dam-  
age done was the breaking of the pole.  
Fourth of July passed off very suc-  
cessfully with no drunkenness and no  
accidents. The antiques and horribles

were well gotten up and the fireworks  
were good as far as they went. The  
democrats observed the day by a flag  
raising.

Emmet Hill's new horse barn is well  
under way. It is 30 by 45 feet and will  
contain six box stalls and all the neces-  
sary rooms for a stock barn. The  
stalls will be kept here and a drive-  
way erected from the house to the new  
barn.

**DANVILLE.**  
Miss Nellie Colby is home from Sa-  
lem, Mass.

Frank Burdick of Barton was in  
town over Sunday.

Geo. T. W. Darling is at his old  
home in Keene, N. H.

A. B. Hoyt is better so as to be at-  
tending to his duties.

S. N. Burdick of Pennacook, N. H.,  
has been in town on a visit.

The repairs on the West Danville  
depot have been completed.

Mrs. Henry Cutler of Lawrence is  
visiting her sister here, Miss Chastina  
Morrill.

H. Rowe and H. Danforth are work-  
ing at their trade as stone masons at  
Hanover, N. H.

J. A. Rogers and wife of Los Angeles,  
Cal., have been at the Elm house.  
They left Monday for Newport. They  
are on a bridal tour.