

AT DANVILLE.

Mrs. E. E. Badger has been quite seriously ill the past week. Asa Wesson, who has been ill the past week with the measles, is now suffering from a quinsy sore. George Greer has moved from Harry Osgood's house to a tenement in A. B. Hoyt's house. N. H. Page of St. Johnsbury Center is visiting here. Robert Allison of St. Johnsbury, who has been visiting at D. P. Coveny's for four weeks has returned to his home. Horace J. Burbank and family of St. Johnsbury visited at Harvey Burbank's, Saturday. Mrs. William Woodard, who has been visiting relatives in New Hampshire for several weeks, returned Monday. Mrs. George Weeks was taken to Brightlook Hospital Wednesday, and Thursday was operated on for appendicitis, and is recovering slowly. Miss L. M. Davis has gone to Norwich, where she has a position as teacher in the public schools. Mr. and Mrs. Ethan E. Carr of St. Johnsbury have been spending a week at Mrs. E. S. Pierce's. Miss H. S. Whittier, Miss Esther Babson, and Mr. Cartright of Boston, were guests of Capt. and Mrs. Waterman at "Grovelands" last week. Mrs. Kate Dennison has returned from Boston. Mrs. Ira Preston is in West Sturtevant to attend the wedding of a friend. Mrs. Augusta Colby has returned from a visit with her sister in Morrisville. Mrs. William Hobbs of Florida is visiting her sisters, Mrs. W. F. Dole and Mrs. J. H. Fisher. Mrs. Mary E. Williams of St. Johnsbury, is boarding at W. F. Dole's. Miss Jennie Smith, who is ill with diphtheria, is doing well and is not dangerously ill. S. N. Ingalls has been ill the past week with a severe attack of bronchitis. Harry Osgood and family have returned from Concord, N. H., where he has been working during the winter. Mrs. Harriet E. Swanson has gone to Boston to purchase a stock of millinery and will open a millinery parlor in rooms in Dr. Mackey's house at Peacham, Tuesday, May 1. James H. Borland is soliciting subscribers for a monthly magazine which he proposes to publish at Danville. His announcement states that "If nothing detrimental happens the first number will appear in June." S. O. Morse is adding a piazza to his house. James Borland Sr. has been visiting ends at Greensboro the past week. Charles Fellows has put in a New England telephone. S. O. Morse, who has been absent for some time, is now ill at home. There is an epidemic of measles in town, there being about 40 cases at present, and some have been quite ill. Mr. and Mrs. George Crane visited here in St. Johnsbury last week. Friday afternoon about 30 children and a party at the Congregational parsonage, the occasion of the birthday of Mary L. Cummings. Invitations had been extended to all the boys and girls to come to be included in the valentine party, but, chiefly on account of measles, about half were able to be present. Gas suited to different ages were enjoyed. Light refreshments were served, the birthday cake with its eleven cans being cut last. Teachers from the senior department of the Sunday school assisted Mrs. Cummings. I thank offering meeting of the Lad's Missionary society of the Congregational church will be held at Mrs. George W. Crane's Friday afternoon at three o'clock. The contents of the mite boxes to be brought in at that time.

PEACHAM.

Death of Mrs. Williams. Mrs. Rhapsy Williams who died so suddenly April 2, was born in Marshfield April 6, 1827. Her maiden name was Underhill. She came to Peacham in 1849 and learned the tailor's trade. Later she married Mr. Merrill and they lived in Haverhill. After the death of her husband she came to Peacham about 40 years ago. Mr. Merrill had two sons, one died in the army, the youngest Francis Merrill came to Peacham with his mother. In 1865 she was married to William Williams who died in 1888. One son Charles Williams was born to them who died five years ago. Her father and mother came to live with her and she cared for them in their declining years. She was a kind and helpful neighbor and a member of the Methodist church. Her daughter-in-law, Mrs. Jennie Williams, was summoned from West Newton, Mass., her only brother from Hyde Park, Mass., and her step-son from Marshfield. The funeral was held Wednesday afternoon in the vestry of the Methodist church, Rev. P. N. Granger officiating.

Married at Manchester.

Nina Lucile Way and Howard Stanwood Thompson, assistant superintendent at the W. H. McElwain beef shop, were married Sunday, April 8, at 4 p. m., at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. T. Way, corner of Union and Myrtle streets, Manchester, N. H. The ceremony was performed by the Rev. Thomas Chalmers of the Hanover street church, where Mr. Thompson has been an usher for several years. The bride wore an embroidered batiste over white silk and was unattended owing to the unexpected illness of her friend, Miss Eunice Hunt of this place, who was to have been bridesmaid. The house was decorated with palms and cut flowers. Miss Marion McKay played the wedding march from Lohengrin and only near relatives and friends were present at the ceremony. Refreshments of cake, ice cream and wedding cake were served. The presents of silver, cut glass, china, furniture and embroidery were choice and valuable. After May 1st, Mr. and Mrs. Thompson will reside at 423 Amherst street, Manchester, N. H. Mr. Way was a former resident here.

J. C. F. Richter has been appointed game warden for Caledonia county. Mrs. Jane Currier is very ill at present writing the effects of a shock. She lives alone and Thursday morning near neighbors noticed that there was no smoke and went to investigate but as she talked the night before of going to St. Johnsbury in the morning, they thought at first that she had gone, but decided to see if she was in the house, and finding she was forced an entrance, finding her on the floor unconscious and much paralyzed. As she was only partially dressed it must have happened soon after rising. Her daughter, Mrs. Kinnerson was summoned and her son from Danville. Kind neighbors have been doing everything possible for her comfort. Mrs. Ira Jennison is quite ill. Laura Rowe is sick with the measles. Mrs. George Darling is also on the sick list. The lecture on temperance Thursday evening by C. A. Abbott, a member of the Anti-Saloon League, was worth hearing but travelling was unfavorable for a large audience. Miss Susan Williams returned Saturday from New Brunswick. She visited her sisters near Boston on her way home. Mrs. Clara Somers Wallace is visiting her parents at East Peacham. Mrs. Sydney Miles from Cabot spent the most of the week in town, called here by the sudden death of Mrs. Rhapsy Williams. Charles Lucas from St. Johnsbury was in town Wednesday to attend Mrs. Williams' funeral. Mrs. Gill from Springfield was in town Saturday and Sunday. Mrs. Cloud Harvey was taken very ill Saturday night. Don Blanchard from White River Junction visited his mother, Mrs. McClary over Sunday. George Moody is sick with the measles at George Esden's, East Peacham and the little daughter of Mrs. Powers has the whooping cough. Mrs. Margaret Mackey from St. Johnsbury is at her father's. Dr. and Mrs. Lawson Morrison from Burlington visited at her father's Ichabod Rowe at East Peacham recently. The Ladies Missionary meeting this week will be the thank-offering meeting and will be held with Mrs. Bunker Friday afternoon, the meeting beginning promptly at 2.30. Every lady in the church and congregation whether a member of the society or not is cordially invited to be present. Tea will be served at 5.30 when the gentlemen are invited to be present. After the meeting the ladies will sew for the McIntosh School. Mr. Woodard from Danville was in town Saturday, to visit his sister, Mrs. Currier. Fred Pollard had a very ill turn and was brought home unconscious but is better at present.

VICTORY.

Eddie Story's youngest child was scalded quite badly last week. Mrs. Peter Lamere was seriously sick last week. Her sister, Miss Peacha, of St. Johnsbury, was up to see her. Tom and Martin Kallum of Canada are visiting their brother, Frank Kallum. Mrs. Henry Lamere spent part of last week at Mr. Lamere's parents' in Kirby. Mrs. John Lynaugh has been very sick the past week. John Lynaugh has moved to the John Kennedy place on Victory Hill. John Lunnis has moved his family from Maple Grove, P. O., to the Charles Ford farm that he bought this spring. Mrs. George Christy has returned from Bartlett, N. H., where she has been visiting friends. Miss Dorra Thornton and Tom Kallum called on Miss Annie Isham, Monday.

HARDWICK.

John Berry was very seriously injured April 3 at the Gifford mill, about one mile from here, by falling against a moving saw. A gash 16 inches long was cut across his back, cutting one shoulder blade and into the back bone. The men's meeting Sunday afternoon was well attended. The leader was H. W. Hosterd. The trustees have removed the bill boards from Music Hall, an improve-

Home Baking with ROYAL Baking Powder

The United States Agricultural Department has issued (and circulates free) a valuable report giving the results of elaborate experiments made by and under the direction of the Department, which show the great saving from baking at home, as compared with cost of buying at the bakers. All bread, cake, biscuit, crullers, etc., are very much fresher, cleaner, cheaper and more wholesome when made at home with Royal Baking Powder.

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AT THE 'VILLE.

The men of the Universalist church gave a new sugar party in the vestry Saturday evening. H. B. Davis was in charge and engineered his corps of waiters with great skill and aplomb. Other viands appropriate to the occasion were served, and the attendance was very good, quite a little sum being taken. The ladies were conspicuous by their absence from the kitchen, and it is not supposed that they had anything to do with all the good things on the table. Quite a party from here went to Lyndon Corner, Friday evening in attendance on the sugar party and entertainment given by the senior class of the High School. The Shakespeare club held their annual meeting with election of officers Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. John Ahern. The following officers were elected: President, Mrs. C. W. Staples; vice president, Mrs. M. M. Harris; secretary, Mrs. I. W. Copeland; treasurer, Miss Elizabeth Hutchinson; federation director, the president; delegates to Bennington, Mrs. A. D. Paige, Mrs. John B. Chase. The club has now spent three years on the study of religion, and by the wish of the majority, it was decided to take up a year's work on the study of Shakespeare. The program committee elected Mrs. Herbert Walter, Mrs. Charles T. Walter and Mrs. John B. Chase.

The Lyndon Woman's club met at Mrs. J. T. Gleason's on Thursday afternoon, and elected the following officers: President, Mrs. A. L. Finney; vice president, Mrs. B. E. Brown; recording secretary, Miss Nellie Davis; corresponding secretary, Mrs. Harry Smith; treasurer, Mrs. G. G. Wheeler; director, Mrs. J. T. Gleason; delegates to Bennington, Mrs. A. L. Finney and Mrs. W. I. Powers; auditors, Mrs. C. H. Gray and Mrs. J. M. Lebourveau. The committees are all appointed by the president, and will be announced soon. Miss Mary Graves of Lowell, N. Y., a former milliner here, visited in town a few days last week. About a dozen friends of Mrs. H. E. Folsom spent a very pleasant afternoon with her last Wednesday, taking their sewing and supper. The occasion was a complete surprise to their hostess. A number of the young people, college students and others, enjoyed a social dance in Darling hall Friday evening, with music by Wakefield's orchestra. Ralph Dodge has decided not to return to college, but has gone to Hyde Park, Mass., where he will study medicine with his uncle, Dr. Fred Dodge, for the rest of the year, and then go to a medical college.

The friends of Mr. and Mrs. James Ramsdell were much pained to hear of the death of Mrs. Ramsdell, which occurred at her father's, Gilbert Gifford, last week, leaving a baby boy. Mr. Ramsdell, who is the butter maker at the creamery, had bought a farm in Burke, and was expecting to move there soon. Much sympathy is expressed for him. Guy and Robert Watson are visiting their parents, Miss Carrie Campbell is at home from Vermont University, and Arthur Stuart from Dartmouth college. Encouraging news comes from Herbert Cable, who is at Hot Springs, Ark., being treated for his rheumatism. He is steadily improving, though slowly. The young men of the Epworth League served new sugar on snow in the Methodist vestry Friday evening, with a good attendance. The physical culture classes conducted by Charles Darling, have closed, and it is expected that about \$400 will be added to the treasury of the Village Improvement society by this means. All who attended the classes received great benefit, and were well started in the Ralston system, one of the best in existence. If the exercises are kept up, much good will be derived from them. The society feel very grateful to Mr. Darling for giving so much of his time and instruction, as well as the use of the hall. Miss Alice Hutchinson is at home from Lowell, Mass., and will take a year's vacation from her musical work there, which she will spend here with her parents. She is a welcome addition to social and musical circles. Mrs. F. J. Willey is making extensive repairs in her store recently vacated by Azro Kemison, and about the middle of this month it will be occupied by the Ruggles Brothers' meat market. Mrs. E. G. French has been visiting in Johnson for two weeks. The men's meeting Sunday afternoon was well attended. The leader was H. W. Hosterd. The trustees have removed the bill boards from Music Hall, an improve-

ment which every one appreciates. The building is to be painted this spring and we hope it will never be similarly disfigured again. Now that the snow is gone quite a number of unsightly places turn up. The Christian Endeavor Society of the Congregational church attended on Monday the funeral of Mrs. James Ramsdell, which was held at the home of her father, Gilbert Gifford, near East Burke. She was a member of the society here and leaves many friends to mourn for her untimely death. J. T. Smith is working for E. J. Blodgett in his repair shop a few days. Mr. Hall, the barber, and family, have moved from Miss Ellen Pierce's house on Broad street to the large tenement house on Charles street. Ernest Chase and family expect to go to housekeeping in the tenement they vacate. Measles at George Thompson's, Cyril Charland's and Mr. Ouillet's on Broad street; whooping cough at Charles Norris'. Mrs. Anna Pearl and Miss Gratia Balch of St. Johnsbury, called on friends here last week. Mrs. Homer Wilson is slowly recovering from her long and tedious illness.

Held for the Grand Jury. The Boston Sunday Herald contained the following item dated at Plymouth, N. H., April 7, concerning one of our townsmen: "Charged with the theft of a pocketbook from Miss Edith Frances Hanford, a Lincoln, N. H., school teacher, at the Lincoln railway station, Cornelius E. Gronberg of Lyndonville, and Costook, Que., was held for the grand jury today. Miss Hanford, a prepossessing young teacher, whose home is in Dublin, N. H., started today on her Easter vacation. At the Lincoln station she laid her pocketbook containing a check for \$50, a mileage book, a \$10 gold piece and other money upon a window sill while using a handkerchief. After she boarded the train she remembered her pocketbook, and returning to the waiting room found it had disappeared. On the way to Plymouth Gronberg showed a \$10 gold piece. At Plymouth everything missing was found upon him. While a fellow passenger was being searched, Gronberg tried to tear up the check, but the pieces were recovered."

EAST LYNDON. Miss Leila Barber of Lyndon Institute visited Miss Amelia Lee over Sunday. Miss Sylvia Hovey entertained several of her classmates from the Institute at a sugaring off last Saturday. Ray Gage, who has been quite sick with the measles is able to be out again. Miss Della Gray commenced work for Mrs. E. E. Gage, Monday. School begins next Monday with Miss Jane Roys teacher. The Presiding Elder will preach here Sunday. J. L. Baird of Waitsfield, who has been inspecting the leading Shorthorn herds of New England, called on F. E. Simpson last week and expressed himself well pleased with the high quality of the stock found in this herd. He pronounced "Fannie 7th" and "Strawberry 3d" the two best cows in Northern New England. Mr. Baird wishes to augment his already fine herd and offered Arthur Simpson \$100 for a 6 months old calf and E. A. Simpson \$75 for a calf one week old. E. S. Ranney has sold a four months' old Holstein calf to B. K. Graves of Waterford for \$50, and a two-year old to B. L. Marshall of West Burke. Such sales of pedigreed stock are furnishing good evidence of the practical value of this class of stock, over the "scrubs" believed in by many prejudiced persons. C. H. Hall is repairing his house, laying a hardwood floor and papering and painting. Miss Susie Hutchinson is working for Mrs. F. D. Smith.

RYEGATE.

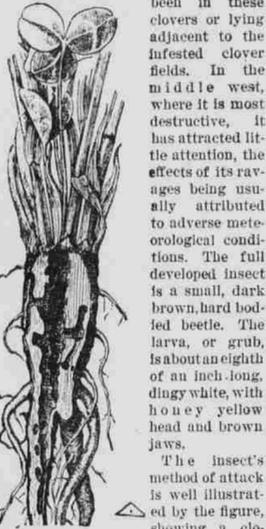
J. L. Shackford is visiting friends in Southern New Hampshire and Massachusetts. C. W. Nelson went to Bath last week to assist his brother in the creamery, the coming summer. Ladies' Missionary meeting Thursday, at three P. M., in the vestry. Mrs. Douglas and Mrs. Anderson were in Wells River Saturday. The literary meeting will be held in the vestry Thursday evening. Francis McCanna had one leg injured quite badly Saturday by falling under a wagon loaded with milk. School commenced Monday with Miss Myrtle Skinner of McIndoes, as teacher. Mrs. M. S. Beattie is visiting her son, Dr. Beattie and family, at Littleton. Farmers should take advantage of the "Better Farming Special," which will be at Ryegate station Monday.



CLOVER ROOT BORER.

Destructive to Various Clovers and the Garden Pea.

In America the clover root borer has so far been especially destructive to red clover, yet with the recently increasing interest in the growing of alfalfa in the northern states it may be expected to become destructive to that crop also. Besides, it is known to attack mammoth clover and alsike. The fact that it also injures the garden pea will be very suggestive to growers of peas for canneries, and indicates the undesirability of sowing peas early in the season on ground that has recently been in these clovers or lying adjacent to the infested clover fields. In the middle west, where it is most destructive, it has attracted little attention, the effects of its ravages being usually attributed to adverse meteorological conditions. The full developed insect is a small, dark brown, hard bodied beetle. The larva, or grub, is about an eighth of an inch long, dingy white, with honey yellow head and brown jaws. The insect's method of attack is well illustrated by the figure, showing a clover root split in (Showing work of borer; slightly enlarged).



SPLIT CLOVER ROOT. (Showing work of borer; slightly enlarged).

In cases of extreme abundance, however, almost the entire main root except the bark is eaten out, the substance being displaced by excreta, and the dead top either becomes detached of itself or is easily broken off if one attempts to pull up the plant. Over the territory where red clover is grown in this country the seed is sown either during late winter or spring, and during the first year the roots of the plants have not yet attained sufficient size to accommodate the insects; hence it is not till the summer of the second year that the roots are destroyed. The only preventive measure yet tried that gives any promise of success is summer fallowing as soon as the hay crop is removed. At this time the young are in an immature state and, if deprived of food, must perish. But if the fallowing is delayed even for a few weeks the larvae will then have for the most part passed into the pupal stage, during which no food is required, and plowing can have little or no effect upon them.

Grass Seed Adulteration.

Circular No. 15, office of the secretary of agriculture, states that in carrying out the provisions of an act of congress 251 samples of seed of Kentucky blue grass and 205 samples of orchard grass were obtained in the open market and examined. Of these forty-one samples of seed of Kentucky blue grass were found to be adulterated with seed of Canada blue grass, while 133 samples of orchard grass seed were found to be adulterated, the seeds most commonly used as adulterants being English ryegrass and meadow fescue, the value of neither being more than one-third to one-half that of orchard grass seed. That the adulteration of orchard grass is very general is evidenced by the fact that samples containing adulterants were obtained from twenty-four states. The names and addresses of the seedsmen who sold the lots found to be adulterated, together with the percentages of adulteration in each lot, are also published in the circular.

Supporting Berry Bushes.

Building supports for berry bushes with heavy posts and heavy wire is laborious business. The cut shows an arrangement contrived with light stakes and light wire, yet firm enough for the purpose in view. Stability is secured by binding each pair of stakes together by crosspieces.

WIRE SUPPORT FOR BUSHES.

of wire. Three strands of wire on each side will keep the bushes up in trim rows, and as the cross wires hold the two sides together the bushes really support themselves. The same arrangement can be used in the case of tomatoes.

Neat Ways to Kill a Hog.

A merciful way to kill a hog is to strike it in the head with a suitable implement, producing stupor, then instantly use the sticking knife. This causes instant death. A neat, unobjectionable method is to drop the open side of a suitable long, narrow box down over the animal and then turn box and animal upside down, when the knife can do its work and the box be righted again that the hog can bleed out properly.—Exchange.

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Comparisons. This is not a joke. It is a brief dissertation on astronomy. A variable star is one whose brightness has been observed to diminish or increase. The best known variable is in the constellation Perseus. It was called by the Arabians Algol, which means the demon star. This shows that the Arabians knew a thing or two themselves. Algol, which is larger than our sun, is partially eclipsed every 2 days 20 hours 48 minutes and 55.4 seconds by an invisible body about the size of our sun. In observing this phenomenon it is necessary to have in mind the fraction of a second; otherwise you will be liable to miss it. Algol is so far away from the earth that we do not hear the rush of the wind as the two ponderous bodies rush around each other. Compared with the distance of Algol, the diameter of the earth's orbit, which is about 185,000,000 miles, shrinks into an invisible point. When one reflects upon the vastness of such distances and the almost unimaginable activity displayed when two such tremendous bodies revolve around each other at a prodigious speed without a hitch or a change in the programme, the excitement about the amount of our gas bills seems puny indeed.—Portland Oregonian.

Alexis Piron. Alexis Piron, a native of Dijon, is perhaps most notorious for his epiphany. "Here lies Piron, who was nothing—not even an academician!" One night he was asked at a party if he could tell the difference between a woman and a mirror. "A woman," he replied, "talks without reflecting; a mirror reflects without talking." Upon this a lady asked, "Can you now, M. Piron, tell me the difference between a man and a mirror?" And as Piron remained silent she went on, "A mirror is always polished, while a man sometimes is not."

Good Breeding. A man's own good breeding is the best security against other people's ill manners. It carries along with it a dignity that is respected by the most petulant. Ill breeding invites and authorizes the familiarity of the most timid. No man ever said a pert thing to the Duke of Marlborough. No man ever said a civil one to Sir Robert Walpole.—Chesterfield.

Bank of England Clerks. The patronage of the Bank of England belongs entirely to the directors, a clerk being appointed by each director in rotation until the vacancies are filled, with the exception of one clerkship in every seven, which is given to a son of one of the clerks of the establishment who has discharged his duties to the satisfaction of the directors.

Getting Him In Line. Dr. Younger—You're a little bit under weight. You don't eat enough. Mr. Mussel—Nonsense! If I were to eat more I'd have dyspepsia. Dr. Younger—I know that, but that's my specialty, you know.—Exchange.

Honest Sweden. The Swedes are punctiliously honest and truthful. When asking for pieces at a theater, for instance, the ticket clerk never fails to inform the applicant if, owing to the crowded state of the house, a better position would be secured with a cheaper ticket than the

Price of It. Tomkins—That's a handsome umbrella you've got there, Gibbs. Gibbs—Yes, Tomkins. Tomkins—About how much does it cost to carry an umbrella like that? Gibbs—Eternal vigilance!—Illustrated Bits.

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