To the Grove-Meeting and the Beach.

Saturday, July 26, we purchased tickets to Weirs and return, at $10 50 for three, by the Wells River railroad. We waited an hour or more at the union depot, Wells River, for the Boston, Concord & Montreal train, now the White Mountain division of the Boston & Lowell railroad. Trains finally arrived on the several sides of this triangular station, and seeing no gentleman in blue and gilt caps, we watched to see where our baggage was loaded, and saw it placed on board a train consisting of engine, baggage car and one passenger car, standing at the end of a side track, having just run in there from Woodsville. We took seats with some misgivings, but the baggage-master said we were right—no conductor for the train appeared. Soon, however, it moved backwards towards Woodsville, and we supposed was being propelled by the engine which brought it over, but soon we found the balance of the train had backed over from Woodsville, hitched to our rear, and was taking us rapidly towards Weirs. Now we understood our situation, reversed our seats and felt relieved, but weak from the nervous tension excited by the silent mystery of a change of cars at Wells River station. But the anxiety and inconvenience which travelers often suffer from the nonchalance of average train conductors, should, no doubt, be abated by more thoughtful attention to the personal wants of those who consign themselves to their charge for safe transit, when, at best, inconveniences and even dangers are liable to intervene. We mean to say that the traveling public would be much relieved from care, questioning and inconvenience if it were made a uniform practice to announce railroad trains before starting and before stopping, and to also announce the next station in advance, and the distinction of the individual cars of the train; this to be done thoroughly, vocally, or by placard, or both. We passed through the towns of Haverhill, Warren, Wentworth, Rumney, Plymouth, Ashland and Meredith, some of them appearing to be sandy pine-barrens. Before reaching Weirs, to the left, several glimpses of Lake Winnipiseogee are obtained, and on arrival at the station the view of the lake, the islands, and the mountains in the distance is one, we believe, of the most enchanting in natural scenery. Weirs, or "The Weirs," as sometimes spoken, is not put down upon the map. It is not a town, but a station, and took its name, probably, from the word weare, signifying a dam to stop and raise the water for taking fish, etc. At opposite sides of the pretty depot the trains and the boats arrive. One boat, the Lady of the Lake, is a fair-sized steamer. Two smart hotels, numerous cottages, two nice pine groves—one with seats and pulpit for holding religious meetings, the other with seats and buildings near by, belonging to the veterans of New Hampshire, towards constructing which the state gave them five thousand dollars, without a dissenting vote—constitute the principal additions to the natural scenery of the place. The Unitarian grove-meeting began its sessions Sunday, the 27th ult., a Mr. Savage of Boston delivering the first sermon, these meetings to continue, I belive, a week or two. Many pleasant and intelligent appearing people were assembled, and apparently were able to follow their speakers through ancient or modern systems of religious thought without excitement, and afterwards do their own thinking. We left Weirs at nine A. M. and arrived at Portsmouth at one P. M., and spent the time after dinner, until five P. M., looking through the cemetery grounds at that place. From what we found its residents began to die as early 1667, and on some of the stones some quaint inscriptions were found. When the trains arrived many hackmen with York Beach, and other places and houses printed on their caps, invited us to go with them. We went on a coach over a broad, smooth, level road to Rye North Beach, a distance of six miles, to a hotel called the Ocean Wave House, a new, white, clever-looking set of buildings, three stories high, with broad halls and stairways, comfortable, clean rooms, many of them looking out upon the ocean,

> Whose waves, breaking upon the air,
> Make the only tumult there,
> With its excellent bill of fare,
> Home no better could you share.

The location of this house is on a high elevation of land, eight rods from the ocean, and is central, from which all points may be visited—to Portsmouth, six miles; Isles of Shoals, seven miles; Newcastle and Greenland, each six miles; Little Boars Head and Wentworth Mansion, each six miles; Straws Point, four miles; Hampton Beach, twelve miles, etc. From its cupola can be seen the Isles of Shoals, Cape Ann, Salisbury and Hampton Beaches, Portsmouth harbor, etc. The facilities for bathing are first-class—a hard-sand beach, one mile long, and no danger from undertow. Board, from $10 to $14 per week for one person occupying one room; from $18 to $24 per week for two persons occupying one room, etc. Stages and mails forenoon and afternoon. Address Henry Knox, box 281, Portsmouth, New Hampshire. S. P.

Waterbury.

MR. WILLIAM BUTLER of Boston is the guest of Dr. Janes.

M. O. EVANS will be in Waitsfield every Friday to buy butter.

GEORGE GLOVER of Boston spends his vacation with J. C. Griggs.

THE village school will begin September 1st, and continue eleven weeks.

REV. ALBERT CLARK supplied the desk at the Congregational church Sunday.

CURTIS WELLS, wife and Master Karl of Burlington were visitors here last week.

THERE were about two hundred packages of butter shipped from Waterbury Monday, and about ten cases of eggs.

PICNICS and summer festivities are the order of the day. The hay rack is the popular vehicle among the young men and maidens. It is thoroughly unconventional, a promoter of jollity and a vehicle to acquaintaceship as well as a conveyance to picturesque retreats. So thought the company which Charley Keene took to Bolton falls Saturday, and which spent the time there till "the shades of night were falling fast" around its highest cliffs and darkness had filled the rocky gorge. There was "music in the air" when the revelers returning late in the evening, rode through the streets of the hamlet. They had a delightful day and strangers to the locality spoke with enthusiasm of the wildness of the falls, the mysterious caverns and the beauty of the surrounding scenery.

East Roxbury.—Mrs. Jennie Duraway of Worcester, Mass., is at her father's, Jason Freeman's, for a few weeks ...Elbra Blanchard has been quite ill for the past two weeks..Lizzie Ahurn has returned to her work at S. H. Allen's.....Mrs. Henry Baker was compelled to leave her work at J. Hasleton's, at Northfield, on account of poor health.....The Seventh Day Adventists still continue to hold meetings in the school-house.....Several from this place went to Northfield last Saturday afternoon, to be present at the raising of a Blaine and Logan banner and flag. They report a good time.... Deacon Cyrus Howard is quite sick at this time....Mrs. Walter Rogers of West Randolph is visiting at her father's, A. J. Boyce's..... Most of the farmers are through with haying, notwithstanding it has been very dull hay weather. There were but four or five good hay-days in July, and but very little rain. The general report is about three-fourths of a crop. A large amount of the hay has been put into the barns in a green state.....Mrs. James Bolton and Henry B. Bolton of Washington, D. C. have been visiting their friends here the past week.....W. T. Pope remains in a critical state. Fears are entertained that he will have to be removed to a place of safety for treatment, as it takes one or two men to take care of him most of the time.....Mrs. Jacob Wardner has two of the fresh-air children to stop with her two weeks. Mrs. A. J. Boyce has one with her for the same time.

Richmond.—The repairs on the "Old Round Church," have been completed, and with its new coat of paint it is now a credit to the town.....C. C. Douglass of New York city and W. O. Douglass, of Washington D. C., are visiting their mother at this village..... The Catholics erected a large wooden cross in their cemetery last Sunday.....The skating rink is now completed, and is crowded every evening with skaters and spectators.....There has been considerable sickness in town, but most of the sick are recovering now. T. J. Goodrich and Ernest Bates are both quite ill as yet, however.

HUMOR IN THE STOMACH.—Much of the distress and sickness attributed to dyspepsia, chronic diarrhœa and other causes is occasioned by humor in the stomach. Several cases, with all the characteristics of these complaints, have been cured by Hood's Sarsaparilla. Other cures effected by this medicine are so wonderful that the simplest statement of them affords the best proof that it combines rare curative agents and when once used, secures the confidence of the people.

Barre.

W. C. NYE has bought out the stage route of James Goodrich of Orange. Mr. Goodrich will drive until October 1st.

THE ladies of the Methodist Episcopal society will hold a sociable at the vestry of their church this (Wednesday) evening. Literary exercises will be had and refreshments served.

A MODEL, of "The wonderful apostolic Strasburg clock" is on exhibition at the town hall this week. We have not yet seen it, but if half is true that is said of it, a sight of the clock will be worth much more than the price of admission.

THERE will be a free concert at the vestry of the Methodist Episcopal church Monday evening, August 18, under the direction of Mr. C. E. Leslie. The company is very highly spoken of, and it will be worth hearing. We shall expect to see every seat filled.

THERE have been stories afloat of a man being killed near Mr. Morrison's one night last week, but investigation proves it to have been a drunken fight in which one or two got their scalps cut open by being struck with stones. A visit to the doctor the next day, and having the scalp sewed up, made it all right again.

THE Blaine and Logan club last Saturday threw across Main street a nice campaign banner, bearing the portraits and names of Blaine and Logan. There was a very large crowd in attendance and the hall was packed to listen to Hon. Henry Ballard of Burlington, on the issues of the day. He held an interested audience for two hours, and was interrupted by frequent applause.

THE Weber male quartette of Boston assisted by Edward K. Hood, Boston's favorite humorous reader and impersonator and W. P. Emerson, pianist, will give a concert under the auspices of the lecture association, in the town hall, on Tuesday evening, August 26th. This quartette is one of the leading male quartettes in Boston. Each member is a soloist, and each a member of leading church choirs. The beautiful blending of their voices as a quartette, and the exquisite manner in which they sing their selections, charm all who hear them.

O. B. Boyce, Esq., is making a business trip in Essex county, and will be gone the most of the week.....W. A. Perry and W. A. Boyce, Esq., started on Tuesday morning for Saratoga, intending to remain a week or more.....W. H. Gladding and wife returned home Sunday from their trip to Weirs N. H., where they have been in attendance on the Universalist camp-meeting.....Charlie Wheelock and Fred Jones started Monday morning on a tramp, going down to Rochester and around to Waitsfield, and will be gone most of the week.....J. M. Perry and his father went to Saratoga last week, and are to remain some few days longer. ....Mrs. William Keith and son Fred of Cleveland, Ohio, are in town, visiting relatives and friends.

East Montpelier.—The school at the Center commences September 1st, with Miss L. A. Clark as teacher.....Mrs. Alta (Gove) Blodgett from Portland, Oregon, formerly a resident of this town, is visiting at the Center.....N. A. Goodwin, after five weeks sojourn with his parents here, returned on Monday to his map agency in New York.....Mrs. Eunice Freeman went to her home in Massachusetts August 1st but Miss Mamie is still with relatives here..... Mrs. Calvin Hersey has been spending several days with her sister at Laconia, N. H.....The Misses Plummer, from Boston, are visiting friends in town.... Mrs. Mariah Chester and her sister, Tryphena Young, returned to Boston Saturday, after a three weeks' visit at the home of their parents.....Don H. Dodge and H. C. Dodge have gone to spend a few days with their brother, Dr. J. S. Dodge of Lincoln..... Mrs. Maria Sibley went to Burlington Monday, on a visit'....H. A. Putnam has gone to Rutland.....Miss Mary Bassett of Barre has been stopping with relatives in town for the past week or two.....Miss Alice Templeton has taken a school in Worcester for the fall and winter.....Miss Flora Morse, who has been in Massachusetts for several months, is at home again.....H. A. Gould and his sister have returned from a visit to Lincoln.....Charles Dodge and two daughters of Cady's Falls were in town over Sunday.....The school in district No. 1, kept by Miss Louie A. Clark, closed August 1st. The whole number of scholars was thirteen. Those having neither absent nor tardy marks were Lucia Bliss, Annie Bliss and Jennie Bliss. Others not tardy were Winnie Bliss, John Bliss, Arthur Bliss, Nettie Cutler, Winnie Cutler, Luman Cutler and Nellie Lawrence.....George Gero has re-opened a store at the East village, and extends an invitation to his old customers of three years ago, and to new ones a welcome is warranted.

Waterbury Center.—Mrs. Morris and Mrs. Hathaway, who have been staying with Miss Colley for several weeks past, left for Boston last Thursday. They expressed themselves as much pleased with their stay here, and expect to return next summer.....Cyrus C. Fisk died at his residence last Friday, of heart disease. Mr. Fisk has been a great sufferer nearly all summer. He leaves a widow, but no children.....Mrs. Achsah Allen celebrated her eighty-third birthday last Saturday, by inviting her neighbors in for an afternoon visit. A pleasant time was enjoyed....The school-house in the Buzzell district is undergoing much needed repairs....G. A. Stockwell has sold his stock of goods to a Mr. Mather of Plattsburgh, N. Y. They commenced invoicing last Monday....The selectmen have changed the road beyond Mr. Druggs' so as to avoid nearly all the hard hill. This is a much needed improvement, and will be appreciated by all who travel that road....Mrs. C. M. Ferguson of Burlington, who has been visiting here, has gone to Middlesex to visit a step-daughter, Mrs. Emily Judson.....Dr. E. J. Foster was at Richmond over Sunday, visiting an old army comrade, a Mr. Wells....Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Humphrey went to Lowell, Mass., their former home, Tuesday, for a visit of a few weeks.

West Topsham.—The telephone is completed from here to Bradford, and will soon be completed to Chelsea. If we could now have a wire direct to Barre, via Orange Center, we should be well accomodated.....Rev. Mr. Kilburn, from East Topsham, is expected to preach here again next Sunday, and it is reported that he will preach here every alternate Sunday for the remainder of the conference year. ...Rev. Mr. Sowles returned to his home in Canada last week. The many friends whom the elder left here are pleased to learn that he is so well located in his new field of labor.... There will be a republican mass meeting and flag raising here in the near future—as soon as the committee can procure the services of certain public speakers from abroad. The time will be publicly announced hereafter. Let there be a grand rally and a demonstration that will make the opposition astonished to see the great multitude.....A gentleman from St. Johnsbury, who was here on business last week, while passing Densmore's store was attacked by Densmore's dog, and the gentleman was obliged to change his pants and call on Dr. Watson to dress his wounds. The gentleman notified Densmore that he must pay for his pants and kill the dog, which Densmore wisely concluded to do.

North Thetford.—Rev. L. W. Morey, from Needham, Mass., is at home on a short visit. ....W. E. Earle and A. B. Howe are spending this month at Bar Harbor, Maine.....Mrs. A. Shepard is visiting friends at Monroe, N. H. ....Rev. R. B. Fay gave an excellent sermon last Sunday, on the disobedience of Lot's wife. ....George Carpenter, from Boston, has been here for a short visit to his former home and friends.....Mrs. Pike, from Newton, Mass., sister of our well-known friend Timothy Brown, is boarding at the stone house....Hotel Jaquith has not its usual number of city boarders..... Henry Downer has purchased a new two-seated wagon of Watson & Thicket. He can now take all his family with him.....Joseph Burnham, from Springfield, Mass., is visiting friends here and at East Thetford.....The Conants have friends from Brooklyn visiting them..... Miss Lizzie Baxter has been on the sick list for the past two weeks, but is better now.

Groton.—The lawn party at T. B. Hall's last Wednesday evening, given by the ladies' aid society of the Methodist Episcopal church, was a decided success, both financially and as to amusement.....A grand time was the general verdict from all who attended the party at O. G. Morrison's last Thursday evening, given by Joseph Buchanan, who lately returned from the West. One hundred and sixty were in attendance, and plenty of room was found in the yard in front of the house, where, by the aid of an organ and violin, those who desired might enjoy the light fantastic, and the night was far spent when the last retired, with many good wishes all round.

FURNITURE.—The immense stock of new styles on hand in chamber, parlor and sitting-room furniture at Paine's, 48 Canal street, Boston, should be seen by all our towns-people when they visit that city. We heartily recommend this as a reliable place to trade.

Northfield.

REV. WILLIAM S. HAZEN exchanged Sunday with Rev. Clifford H. Smith, pastor of the Union church at Warren.

FIFTY-ONE of the Boston fresh air children came Saturday afternoon, thirteen of the number assigned to this place failing to come.

ABOUT five hundred went on the excursion to Missisquoi Park last Friday, and all report a very enjoyable trip. The whole number were unusually orderly.

A COMPANY of nine young men from this town and Rev. C. H. Smith of Warren, all formerly students at Dartmouth, took a day's outing Monday, by a trip to Berlin pond and Montpelier.

COLONEL RANDALL drove his team to the village Monday and left it unhitched on the common. The horses, who had probably been raised in the wilds of Brookfield, and were unused to the sights and sounds of the town, took fright at the mail train and started for the Center via, Main street. They were met on the hill by L. W. Avery, who stopped them and returned them to the Colonel with a caution.

A BLAINE AND LOGAN banner and flag were raised on the common Saturday afternoon, speeches being made by Hon. W. P. Dillingham of Waterbury, and Frank Plumley, Esq. After the speaking, the band led the way to the Village Hall where a Blaine and Logan club was formed with over forty members, and the number is increasing rapidly. Colonel Randall was called on and gave a ringing speech for the Republican ticket.

THREE deaths have occurred the past week. Will Woodbury's little girl, Lizzie, died Thursday and was buried Saturday. Her disease was membraneous croup. Obed S. Merrill died at his home in Berlin Saturday night, of consumption. His funeral was attended at the house Monday. Mrs. H. S. Thresher, who has been very low with consumption for some time, died Monday morning. Funeral services were held at the Methodist church Tuesday, and the remains were taken to Braintree for burial.

W. A. BLAKE and wife have been visiting at Tilton, N. H.....C. A. Braley returned last Wednesday from Massachusetts. His college chum, S. E. Barrett, a son of Judge Barrett, visited him last week....W. F. Baker and wife have been visiting for a week in Greensboro....C. W. McClearn returned Saturday from a three weeks' visit in Boston. He will begin the practice of medicine in Williamstown next week....Mrs. Dr. Hill and children of Ackley, Iowa, have been visiting at F. Plumley's....C. C. Davis leaves to-day (Wednesday) for Winchester, N. H. He will return with his family the first of next week.... 'Squire Plumley is making campaign speeches in Franklin county....Dr. N. W. Gilbert returned Saturday from the seashore.

East Calais.—Rev. I. E. Dwinell will give a lecture in the church next Sunday afternoon at three o'clock, upon the subject, "Through Palestine on Horseback."....The following is a list of the officers of Moscow lodge for the present quarter: Worthy chief templar, A. N. Bliss; worthy vice templar, Clara Pike; worthy secretary, Inez Pearce; worthy assistant secretary, Mary Dwinell; worthy financial secretary, Herman Burnham; worthy treasurer, Mrs. C. R. Dwinell; worthy chaplain, A. Dwinell; past worthy chief templar, H. N. Pearce; worthy marshal, Herbert Wells; worthy deputy marshal, Getrude Hammond; worthy right-hand supporter, Ethel Wheelock; worthy left-hand supporter, Mrs. A. P. Wheelock; worthy guard, Hattie Wells; worthy sentinel, Elmer Barrett; organist, Inez Pearce....The benefit ice-cream festival, last Tuesday evening, was a decided success, the proceeds after paying expenses amounting to thirty dollars. The entertainment consisted of recitations by Miss Hattie Wells and Miss Nellie White, Miss Nellie repeating the selection by which she gained a prize at the prize speaking at Goddard Seminary last commencement; violin solos by Professor C. I. Marsh of Syracuse, N. Y.; songs by Miss Mary Dwinell, Professor G. W. Foster and Mark E. Foster; quartette singing and music by the band, eight members of which were present and contributed largely to the enjoyment of those present. Following the serving of ice-cream and cake, the post-office clerks were kept quite busy for a while distributing the letters which came in the evening mail. Then the floor was cleared and the band played for several promenade figures. The members of Moscow lodge extend their heartiest thanks to the band for their services during the evening, and to each and all who so willingly lent their aid in making the evening an enjoyable one ...Melvin Dwinell arrived here Saturday, looking hale and hearty, making the fifth in the band of brothers now together ...Miss Ida Chase of Montpelier is spending a few weeks with her relatives and friends, preparatory to accompanying her cousin, Mrs. Wilkinson, back to her home in Washington, D. C.....Principal A. W. Dana of Goddard Seminary, spent a few days last week at B. P. White's....Miss Linda Fitch of Winchester, Mass., is visiting Miss Mary Dwinell....Mrs. E. L. Wilbur began her vacation last week, by visiting he neice in Waterbury....W. E. Laird is moving his household goods to Barre, where he intends making his home for a while....Mrs. Avis Alden has been quite ill for a few weeks, but is now a little better....Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Dwinell accompanied Dr. Hammond and his daughter to Cambridge last week, for a few days visit with relatives there.....The Wednesday evening meeting last week had for its subject "The Missionary Work in Japan," and was conducted in such a manner as to be very interesting. Mr. Perry takes great pains in making the meetings pleasant and profitable, and it is to be regretted that there is not a larger attendance.

Hardwick.—Byron Marsh of Waltham, Mass., has been in town the past week visiting his brother Herman, of the new mercantile firm of McLoud & Marsh. Byron is a skilled bicyclist, and having his machine with him, amused the villagers. He is employed in the factory of the Americam Watch Company.... George B. Kent and Will Newton and their wives visited the summit of Mount Mansfield on Wednesday, the 6th. They report a splendid time, the weather being fine for mountain views....The Misses Simpson and mother, mentioned last week as being at Greensboro this season, have come to this place for the remainder of their vacation....Wheeler & Shipman, sawmill owners here, are putting in a new water-wheel for the operation of their repair shop machinery....Edward Cook and family of Portland, Maine, have been visiting friends in town the past week. His mother was a sister of our veteran merchant, D. W. Aiken, Esq....Five children of Edward G. Wells of West Hill have been afflicted with malignant diptheria, one a girl of five years has died and the others are reported improving....There will be a Blaine and Logan flag-raising and republican rally at Hardwick next week. The day is not definitely fixed, as the speakers that have been invited have not yet been heard from. General Grout and G. H. Blake of Barton, Hon. F. Fairbanks and H. C. Bates of St. Johnsbury and Hon. George W. Hendee have been invited to be present.

South Royalton.—The fire company was out with their engine Friday evening, and were well pleased with the way it worked.....The programme for the soldiers reunion is as follows: Marshalls, J. W. Waldo and D. C. Jones and assistants; Bethel cornet band; Royalton veteran infantry company, A. H. Lamb commanding; eighth Vermont regiment, Col. J. B. Mead commanding; Grand Army posts soldiers; cataract fire engine company Ed. F. Smith, foreman; General Stephen Thomas and Colonel T. O. Seaver, president and vice-president; Speaker, Lieutenant Governor S. E. Pingree, and invited guests in carriages. Governor Barstow, Senator Morrill, General Ide, Colonel Veasey, Hon. E. J. Ormsbee, Colonel Randall, Colonel Pingree, J. W. Hobart, Captain H. C. Lull, Captain R. J. Coffey and Captain H. H. Woodbury have accepted invitations to be present. Arrangements have been made with the railroad to carry for fare one way. ....Miss Maggie Smith has returned from Washington, D. C., and is warmly welcomed by her many friends.....Mr. Blake and wife of Northfield are visiting Charles Viall, her brother.....Captain Jed Pressy made Ed. Smith a flying visit last week.....Chester Sanborn has sold his house to John Mudgett, and he has rented the same to Mrs. Chester Gould. ....Lucius Parkhurst, who has been very sick with typhoid fever, is reported better.

Corinth.—A son of Ransom Darling was drowned at Lowell, Mass., August 1st. The remains were interred at West Corinth, August 5th. Mr. Darling was about twenty-five years of age. He went into the river to bathe, and got beyond his depth. The body was not recovered for some hours....The powers that be have decided not to run the telephone to the Corners, as reported last week ...The barn of Rufus Murdock was struck by lightning, August 4th, and burned, with all the contents; insured.....Agents are canvassing this and other towns, taking orders for fruit trees.

Marshfield.

THE festival at the Universalist church, last Saturday, was well attended.

THE Foster picnic in Calais, on the 9th instant, was attended by some from this place, Mr. and Mrs. Eri Spencer being among them.

THE choir of the Congregational church will meet for rehearsal with Miss Anna Burnham, next Friday evening. All are cordially invited.

MRS. N. F. COBLEIGH of Walla Walla, W. T., delivers a lecture on home missions at the Congregational church next Thursday evening, at seven o'clock.

THE services at the Methodist Episcopal church last Sunday were very impressive. Three united with the church by profession, and three more were baptized.

QUITE a number of the young people took in the promenade at Cabot last Saturday night, given by the Hardwick band, and listened to some good music, well rendered.

THERE is a man in this town (Sylvester Loveland) who was ninety-three years old last June, who is remarkably smart. He works in the hayfield, and can walk to and from church, one and one half miles, without inconvenience, and to see him pass by one would not suppose him to be more than sixty or sixty-five years old.

THE lecture on temperance, last Thursday evening, delivered by Mrs. Barney, was very good. She is a woman of superior talent, and can be listened to with deep interest. She spoke largely from actual observation; and her descriptions of the work of intemperance should be a warning and protection to all that hear her.

ON Wednesday of last week Mr. Fred Cole of this place gave his many friends a fine entertainment, in a never-to-be-forgotten picnic at Woodbury Pond. The party numbered between seventy and eighty, among whom were Dr. Warren and Mr. Bemis Pike, with their wives and other friends of Mr. Fred Cole from Cabot. Neither was "the stranger within the gates" forgotten, as many can testify. Nature assisted our host, by furnishing a perfect day in which to enjoy a beautiful part of her handiwork, manifested in glorious scenery. An excellent dinner gave proof of success in the art of cookery on the part of the ladies present, while fruit and lemonade in abundance testified to the thoughtfulness and generosity of the one who spare neither labor or expense to make the whole affair a success. Rowing, gathering fragrant water lilies, target shooting, singing, intermingled with cheers for Mr. Cole, closed the exercises. As Mr. Cole is to leave soon for South America, we shall prayerfully remember him and trust that "he who marks the sparrows fall" will soon bring him back in safety to home and native land. *

PEARL SPENCER and wife were in town last Saturday.....A. F. Putnam and wife returned from their visit to Malone, N. Y., last week, and report an excellent time....Charles Montgomery was in town over Sunday. He was formerly a clerk in Hale & Donahue's store.

Chelsea.—A party, consisting of M. F. Ordway, George Cleveland, W. S. Hatch, W. P. Townshend, John L. Bacon and Harry J. Corwin, left on Monday morning for Lake Parmachenee, Maine, where they are going to camp out. They are going to drive the entire distance, having a covered wagon and four horses, and expect a grand time.... Amos Keyes, commission merchant, of Boston, and wife, have been spending a few days at the hotel.....Last Friday night eight young ladies contributed to the enjoyment of eight young gentlemen by taking them for a moonlight ride, in a hay wagon, about town and the suburbs.....Frank R. H. Paine of Schraalenburgh, N. J., who has been spending a few weeks with his uncle, S. B. Hebard, returns home on Monday.....Rev. Will H. Davis of Detroit, Mich., is with his mother for a few days..... Friday afternoon, August 8, the dwelling-house of Wayland Sargent, situated on the hill above the village, about one mile distant, was burned. The fire originated about the chimney in the ell part. Mr. Sargent discovered it as he drove in with a load of hay, his family being away for the day. He succeeded in saving most of the goods on the first floor, but scarcely anything in the chambers. Plenty of help was on the ground as soon as possible, but too late to save the building. The house had an insurance of about $450. He has moved his family into Mr. Marston's house, at the village.....Charles Corwin of Charleston, Mass., is in town..... James Wixon and Mrs. Susan Doane of New Bedford, Mass., are visiting their sister, Mrs. Noah Paine.....Students from Burlington and Dartmouth colleges are building a United States signal station on Vershire heights.....W. D. Lee of Newark, Ohio, was here Saturday..... Edwin Lewis and wife of Indiana are visiting his mother and sister.....Do not forget that the Orange county soldiers' reunion comes off Wednesday, Thursday and Friday, September 3d, 4th and 5th, and that it will be one of the best reunions ever held in the state. All sons of veterans in Orange county are requested to be present Thursday, September, 4 and form in line back of the soldiers in the procession of that day.....Ed. Titus and Bart L. Taylor have gone home to New York with Henry Lyon for a vacation.

Wolcott.—Mrs. Ira Sanborn broke her ankle while berrying one day last week....J. D. Pickering and wife, who have been here for a few weeks, visiting friends, have returned to their home in Burlington....Timothy Arbuckle and wife have gone to Berlin, Middlesex and Montpelier on a visiting trip. ....F. M. Craken has got through work for H. Bundy, and gone to St. Johnsbury to work.... Mrs. Lizzie Langford and children, from the south part of the state, are visiting friends here....The Congregational Sunday-school had a picnic in S. H. Peck's grove last Wednesday. ....The Methodist Sunday-school had an excursion to St. Johnsbury last week Friday..... Last week Monday a party of ten, with friends from Burlington, had a picnic at Caspian Lake, or Greensboro Pond. It was a beautiful drive, and all report a nice time....Fourteen of our village people took a trip to Highgate Springs and Maquam Bay three days of last week, all having a good time....W. M. Parker and wife have gone to Boston and other places in Massachusetts, for a few weeks, visiting friends.... Ichabod Fay died in Cabot last week Tuesday. He was ninety-four years old, lacking one day. He was formerly of this town, and was brought here last Thursday to be buried by the side of his wife....Last week Tuesday night Mrs. Manly Allen of Pottersville made an attempt to cut her throat in two or three places. She is now watching for a chance to drown herself. She is insane....The name on the sign of the new hotel, kept by T. C. Arbuckle, is Riverside Hotel. His custom seems to be increasing every day ...Mrs. F. Harris and Bertie have been visiting friends in Duxbury the past week....S. H. Peck is quite sick.

Strafford.—Mrs. Sarah Barton and son of Northampton, Mass., are visiting at D. C. Hyde's....A large party from Strafford visited Fairlee Lake last Saturday.....Rev. H. Cummings, wife and daughter Lizzie attended the reunion of the old students of Westminster (Mass.) academy, held last week....Addie E., wife of Fred A. Livermore, whose attempt to commit suicide we chronicled last week, died from the effects of her self-inflicted injuries the 5th instant. From the time of inflicting the injuries to her death she was delirious, and from the first her recovery was deemed nearly impossible, as no food could be introduced into her stomach. The gash she cut in her throat was a frightful one, some seven inches in length, and although neither carotid nor jugular veins were cut, the loss of blood was great. ....Fulsom & Dean have removed their feather-bed renovating apparatus from Tunbridge to South Strafford, and are now doing a large business for us. Those who have seen the amount of refuse and worn-out matter eliminated by their process from an ordinary feather-bed, will hail this enterprise as a sanitary measure of no slight importance, to say nothing of the comfort of sleeping on an old bed made as good as new.. ..Rev. J. S. Staples and wife take a journey to Maine in their own carriage, to be absent some four weeks.

Gaysville.—The Misses McCollum, from Woodstock, are visiting their father and other friends in this village.....Quarterly meeting will be held at the Methodist church next Sunday. Rev. Mr. Spencer, the presiding elder, will be present.....Mrs. Mary May and daughter are visiting at the house of Mrs. May's brother, Jesse Wright.....A dog belonging to Henry Blake had the hydrophobia and was killed last week.

The Crust of Tartar

speedily leaves the surface of teeth upon which the cleansing and preservative influence of SOZODONT is daily exerted. No form of decay can infest a set of "ivories" upon which it is used. It has, moreover, a most refreshing effect upon the mouth, in which it leaves a very agreeable taste, besides rendering the breath fragrant. If the mouth be rinsed with it after smoking, the taste of the tobacco is entirely dissipated. As an auxiliary to personal comeliness, it cannot too highly be extolled. Sold by druggists.

Williamstown.

IT is feared that Miss Alice Walker has typhoid fever.

J. K. LYNDE has just sold his best horse for eight hundred and fifty dollars.

MR. AND MRS. JAMES S. ABBOTT sing in a church in Lebanon, N. H. They are fine singers, as many know.

J. C. BROCKWAY'S family will accompany Rev. Harvey Webster's family to Highgate this week where they are to tent out.

JUDGE YOUNG of Minneapolis, Minn., and Lawyer Darling of Chelsea were present at the social meeting at the Congregational vestry, Sunday evening.

WE are told that one of our townsmen who received a thousand dollars in a lawsuit, has a lawyer's bill of four hudred dollars to pay. Isn't this an argument for arbitrators?

CHARLES TEMPLETON and wife (*nee* Miss Edna Carleton) have started for their home, Fargo Dakota, after a stay of some weeks in their old homes. They were much refreshed by their visit here.

IT certainly is an occasion for rejoicing when our hard-working farmers and their families take a holiday. Last week Folensby Goodrich, with sons and daughter, and their families, took a holiday together at Berlin Pond, and they will not reckon it a lost day either, we venture.

WE want to call the attention of all the young folks of THE WATCHMAN family to the fact that Messrs. D. Lothrop & Co., of Boston, Mass., will send them a copy of the *Chautauqua Young Folk's Journal*, free if they will ask for it, by postal before September 1st. The first number, which we have is very enjoyable. Dont fail to write and get it. It is free to old folks as well.

MISS ADA E MARTIN has closed a very satisfactory term of school in the John Farnham district. Not a tardy mark disfigured her register, and four of her pupils had no marks against them. If we remember aright, these were two daughters of Rob Templeton, a son of Charles Staples and a daughter of Sumner Wheatley. One or two others came near this high standard, and but for illness, or the like, would have reached it. All honor to the good pupils.

OUR worthy townswoman, Miss Viollette E. Hibbard, now residing in New York city, recently came to St. Johnsbury with a party of "Fresh air children" from that city, for a fortnight's stay. She writes that the children were very happy, and adds, "I wish you could have seen and heard them relate their wonderful exploits and experiences during their stay there." Some of them went by special invitations, having been there last summer, and were invited to return next year, if such expeditions are in vogue. If the persons who entertained them could have been unseen listeners to their rehearsals of kindness and love they would have felt compensated for their tenderness and benevolence to the little city waifs, collected from the homes of poverty and want in this great metropolis. "God bless the originators and coadjutors in this work." And so say we all.

THERE may be those who have more, and also worse, physical ailments than our townswoman, Mrs. Martha Benedict Farnham, but we do not recall one such. For twelve years she has been a helpless invalid, and now her case is called almost hopeless, though she may live for years. But, upborne by the Christian's faith and hope, she knows it is all for the best, and bears all with great patience. How such a terrible invalidism (for it is nothing less than terrible) ought to start a never-failing stream of practical sympathy—first of all, towards the sufferer herself; and then towards her family! We hardly know a family whose case calls for more sympathy. Such instances of pain and affliction are rare, at least about here. Thank God that somewhere, sometime, they may bear a fruitage that will make them, in the retrospect, seem light and but for a moment. Mrs. Farnham is staying for a season with her sister and brother here in town.

The children and a few friends of Mr. and Mrs Oliver Davenport "observed" his eightieth birth day, on Saturday last, at their home. Their eight children are all living, and nearly all were at home on Saturday. The occasion was a pleasant one, as we can testify to, having been present. The house in which Mr. Davenport lives, is a part of the first framed house in the town. It was twice the present size originally, and was erected in the Judge Paine neighborhood. We heard some interesting reminiscences of the old house. It was at first used for a hotel, and at one time a school was taught in a portion of it. "Aunt Dama Coleman" (how familiar the name to many of our older citizens!) once told of going to school in this building when there was but one book in the school. For writing lessons their teacher used white birch bark. Judge Lynde, who was present on Saturday, concluded that as a teacher in his young days, he must have been boarded in the house. There was also brought forth a tradition "that Edward, duke of Kent, and father of Queen Victoria, once lodged in the original building, while on an American tour." Mr. and Mrs. Davenport were substantially remembered. We know of no man who does not wish them well.

As freeman's meeting draws nigher, the question naturally arises, "Who is to be the candidate for our representative in the next legislature?" Is it not a fact greatly to be deplored that almost the first thought in this connection must be, not "Who of our townsmen are the best and ablest men, well qualified to represent us?" but "Who can command the most votes?" And do not all know what that means too often? Should the man whom nobody dislikes, the man who has no enemies, be the one on whom the choice must fall, simply and wholly for this reason? The world's best work seems never to have been done by that class of men, and is not likely soon to be. We hope our people will, this fall, look deeper than that, and be not influenced by any mere personal dislike, or predjudice; that they will not stop at any single lack, that is no worse than external, rather than of heart or head. Our town is largely republican. It is not behind other average towns in ability and worth. We owe it to ourselves, not only, but to our state (and it stops not with our state, even), to sink all small differences, and elect a man, as we can, who shall do good work for the commonwealth. There is certainly something far nobler for you, republican townsmen, than concentrating simply personal spite for a man in a ballot against him. Let us have the umanimity, the true patriotism that ignores self, that will select, and easily select, one that shall worthily represent us next fall.

MISS ALICE EDSON, who is gradually sloughing off an invalidism of many years' standing, last week rode to John Reed's home in Brookfield, returning the same day.....Judge Young and family with Misses Annie and Ella Martin visited Mount Mansfield last week.....Mrs. Mary Boss Clark and children are in town this week.....Mr. and Mrs. O. S. Walker have recently made a carriage trip to Ludlow, where a sister of Mr. Walker resides.....Oliver Martin and family (now of Barre), Frank J. Martin and John Farnham and wife propose tenting at Berlin Pond, during some portion of this week.

Tunbridge.—Otis Flint and his child are now better. His wife is quite sick.....There was a very pleasant gathering at E. B. Sanborn's last Friday evening, the occasion being the seventieth birthday of Mrs. Sanborn.....Mr. James Cushman and wife of Derry, N. H., are visiting at Alton Miller's.....Mrs. C. A. Flanders is teaching the school at the North village. Her health will not permit of her returning to Bellows Falls, where she has taught for some years.....The Grand Army boys and other soldiers are to meet at the town hall next Wednesday, at eight o'clock A. M....Mrs. E Lyman and her daughter, Mrs Spiller, from Tracy, Minn., were visiting at Dr. E. J. Fish's last week.....Many lots of wool were drawn to South Royalton, and sold for twenty-five cents a pound, last week.....Many of our people went with the excursion to Highgate last week, and report a better hay crop in that section of the state. ...Lewis Whitney has gone to Baldwin, Conn.....Several heavy showers visited us last Tuesday, and a particularly heavy one Wednesday morning....A small diptheria scare was started last week.

Washington.—Rev. R. G. Spafford of Stillwater, Minn., arrived in town Saturday evening....Rev. L. L. Green and family left Friday, to visit friends in different parts of the state....F. E. DuBois of West Randolph and Will