

## IN THE LOCAL FIELD.

## BROOKLINE.

School in No. 3 closes this week.

J. B. Stebbins found a beaver dead in the stable one morning last week.

School in district No. 1 closed last Friday evening with an exhibition, which did both teacher and pupils credit as a well rendered entertainment. Whole number of pupils 19; average attendance, 17.0; pupils who had no absent marks: Almon Dean, Hugh Horton, Flora Lawrence, Angie and Oscar Lawrence, Grace, Abbie, Hoyt and Norman Marsh, Julia Potwin; three others, May Lawrence, Eli Dean, Roy Potwin were absent one day on account of illness. Only four tardy marks during the term.

## DUMMERSTON.

The number of births registered in town during 1895 is 15, the number of deaths 23.

Posters are out announcing that the town auditors will meet on Tuesday, Feb. 18, at Joseph Miller's to examine accounts of town officers. All accounts against the town should be settled on or before that date.

## EAST DOVER.

The evening of Jan. 31 proved to be mild, with excellent roads, and the annual donation at the Baptist parsonage was largely attended. Conversation, music, games and supper at the chapel were the features of the gathering and upon their departure the company left the usual generous and acceptable gifts for the pastor and family. The presence of many members of the Methodist society was an indication of the pleasant relations existing between the two societies. The new kitchen and tables at the chapel were used for the first time exclusively for the benefit of the East Dover people and added much to the enjoyment of that part of the program. One might travel many miles through communities of the same number of inhabitants and not find a more complete and convenient set of buildings for church purposes than are to be seen here.

## WEST DOVER.

The lumbermen in this place rejoice at the fine sleighing we are having and all are improving it.

A quiet and orderly company of about 45 couples enjoyed the dance at the hotel hall last Friday night.

Mr. and Mrs. F. R. Mann are in town packing the remainder of their goods, having sold their place here to a man from Heath. Possession is given immediately.

## WEST DUMMERSTON.

The dance at the Valley House has been postponed until next week Wednesday.

The body of Joseph Moran, who died here Tuesday, was taken to Fitchburg, Mass., for burial.

Tuesday evening 12 young ladies and gentlemen surprised Miss May and Maud Taft. They were pleasantly received and spent the evening with popular games, refreshments and dancing.

The school in district No. 5 West, taught by Miss Laura Bracy, closed January 30. Pupils, 16; average attendance, 14.8-43; Ethel Betterley and Austin Johnson were not absent during the year. Miss Bracy is spending a few days in Brattleboro before returning to her home in Putney.

About 70 of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Burnett's friends took possession of their home early Thursday evening last week, to remind them of their 10th marriage anniversary. After an hour or two spent socially a fine new sleigh and robe was presented to Mr. and Mrs. Burnett as an evidence of the best wishes of their many friends and relatives. Supper was then served, after which followed games and dancing until a late hour.

## GROVE.

E. B. Green is recovering from an attack of grip.

Mr. and Mrs. O. B. Dix spent a few days of last week in Greenfield, Mass.

The next farmers' club will be with Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Crozier at Halifax Centre.

Every one is busy at present drawing wood and logs and improving the good sledding.

The young child of H. C. Bell, who was burned by falling on a hot stove recently, is improving.

## GREEN RIVER.

Miss Lena Reed has gone to Langdon, N. H., to spend a few days.

Mrs. T. N. Brackett, who has been out of health for the past year, remains about the same.

E. S. Alexander of West Leyden, Mass., has been cutting lumber for R. T. Cutting the past week.

There will be a poverty ball at Union hall on Thursday evening, Feb. 13, at the auspices of the ladies aid society. Prizes will be awarded for most appropriate costumes.

## GUILFORD CENTRE.

Mrs. Charles A. Clark from Springfield, Mass., is with her daughter, Mrs. Samuel M. Bullock.

The society has arrived and is being put up. The next grange meeting is to be held in the new grange hall.

Miss Nellie Barrett was summoned Monday to Gardner, Mass., to care for her sister, Mrs. Byron Stanley.

Bessie McClure is ill with chicken pox. Bessie Morse has the whooping cough. J. L. Salisbury, an aged citizen, is quite feeble.

Mrs. Samuel M. Bullock has been critically ill with appendicitis. At this writing she is more comfortable. Miss Nina Chase has suffered from neuralgia for four weeks. Mabel Carpenter does not improve. Mrs. Clarence Carpenter and little daughters have gone to join her husband in Charleston, S. C.

## HALIFAX.

Mrs. Lucy Fowler, who has been ill for some time, is rapidly improving.

Mrs. Elijah Green, who has been ill for a few weeks, is slowly recovering.

The ladies' benevolent society will meet with Mrs. C. F. Griffin next week Thursday afternoon and evening.

The funeral of William Niles, who died last Saturday, was held at his home on Monday, attended by Rev. A. A. Smith.

## WEST HALIFAX.

Last Saturday, Mrs. Hammond, assisted by Mrs. May Jones and Miss Virna Plumb, gave a children's party at her residence, "The Ranch," to which the little folks were invited. The invitations were printed on birch bark. Games were played, and recitations given. Miss Corinne Hall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Isaac Hall, and Miss Delamare Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Clark, spoke very prettily. In the evening the house was illuminated by colored lights, the parents of the children joining in the festivities.

His personality filled the place. Yet not because he was a fat man. It was his amazing cough. He cured it with Adams' Bolax Cough Balsam and sank into happiness and security.

## The Jar of Travel



The jolt and jar which accompanies almost every mode of travel causes the Backache so common to travellers. Backache means that the Kidneys are tired and need help or rest; sometimes rest is impossible.

## Baker's Kidney Pills

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## JAMAICA.

George Day of Amherst, Mass., has been visiting here this week.

Samuel T. R. Cheney from Massachusetts has been here this week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Wales Cheney.

The snow has made business quite lively here. Loads of wood and lumber are passing in the streets a good part of the day.

Barnes Press has had the unfortunate to cut the thumb of his left hand, which will lay him off from work for a time. It's the old story, he got it too near to a buzz saw at Wm. Joslin's shop.

Rev. E. B. Earle, formerly of this town, preached last Sunday evening to a congregation which crowded the Baptist church at Montpelier, and the close of the service administered the rite of baptism to nine candidates.

Mrs. Eliza Viall Soper, who celebrated her 90th birthday anniversary at Northfield, this state, Monday, was born in this town. She is the only survivor of her father's family of 15 children. Her husband was John L. Soper, who died at South Dorset in 1890.

## SOUTH LONDONERRY.

## Golden Wedding Celebration.

One of the most enjoyable events of the season was the golden wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Babbitt, celebrated last Saturday evening. Neighbors and friends filled their house to overflowing, about 150 being present, and the heartiest congratulations and good wishes were tendered to them. It is a remarkable fact that during these 50 years death has not entered their home. Of their five children two were unable to be present, one on account of sickness in her family and the other, a physician at Washington, D. C., was unable to leave his business. Mrs. Babbitt, a sister of Mrs. Babbitt, Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Pierce and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Rand from Saxtons River came to join their congratulations with other friends. Substantial tokens of esteem, including nearly \$100 in gold, were left with the hosts. There were songs by the Johnstone brothers and Harold Pembroke during the evening, and cake and coffee were served.

## Death of Mrs. Yearly.

Mrs. Janet Yearly, widow of the late Wm. T. Yearly, died at her home last Saturday morning, aged 75 years. She had been a patient sufferer for several years and her cheerfulness in bearing her sufferings has been a marvel to her many friends. She was a life-long resident of this town, always active and helpful in everything for the public welfare, as well as a kind and devoted mother in her family. She leaves five children, who were all present at her funeral, except Herbert P., who had not sufficiently recovered from his severe illness to be able to be there.

The Baptist ladies' aid society held a social and ten cent supper at their vestry Thursday evening.

J. L. Babbitt from Boston, made a short visit to his old home. He came to attend the golden wedding of his parents.

Several from this place attended the exhibition at the north village last Friday evening. The club rendered the drama "Moll Pitcher" in an effective manner.

The leap year concert and ball will occur at the town hall, Feb. 19. Letting's orchestra from Brattleboro will furnish the music. There will be an attractive program and a general good time is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Albee were suddenly called home from Athol, Mass., by the death of Mrs. Albee's sister, Mrs. Yearly. Their children, Mr. and Mrs. Harris, accompanied them, also another sister, Mrs. Miranda Muzzy from Chicopee, Mass.

Miss Stella Yearly came Saturday from Boston, called by the illness and death of her mother, Mrs. Janet Yearly. John Yearly of Hartford, Conn., a son of Mrs. Yearly, and Will Sheldon of Palmer, Mass., a grandson, were present at the funeral.

## SOUTH NEWFANE.

Foster Whitaker is critically ill.

Mrs. Nettie Tibbetts is gaining slowly.

The schools throughout the township will close this week.

A daughter of Charles Packard is very ill, not expected to recover.

The ladies' sewing circle meets with Mrs. C. E. Brown on Thursday, Feb. 13.

J. L. Morse and Charles Mason of Philadelphia, Pa., are looking after their interests in this place.

John L. Morse is at B. E. Morse's, and Charles A. Mason at his mother's, Mrs. Sarah Mason's, arriving last Monday from Philadelphia, for the express purpose of en-

joying a few days of Vermont sleighing, which they never saw better.

Capt. Harrison Aldrich of Somerville, Mass., is on his annual winter vacation of quail shooting in North Carolina, with a party numbering eight men and eight dogs from Boston and Somerville. Letters from the party say the weather is warm and many of the farmers are plowing.

## STRATTON.

Lizzie T. Sweeney has gone to Worcester, Mass.

Ralph Spencer has moved into H. M. Hulet's house.

F. G. Lackey, jr., has moved into the house with his wife.

Good sleighing rejoices the heart of the lumbermen and most others.

Mrs. M. O. Johnson and Edgar L. Pike's child Ralph have been on the sick list.

Mrs. O. M. Jones closed her school of 15 weeks in No. 2 on Jan. 31, with an average attendance of over 12 pupils. Albert E. Gould received no mark during the term or year. Eddie Eager was absent only four days this term because of illness.

## TOWNSEND.

Attempted Robbery of the Post-Office.

Last Sunday morning some one made an attempt to get into the post-office. Mr. Cutler was awakened about 12:30 A. M., by what he thought was some one pounding on the office door. Thinking that some one was ill, or that something was wrong at the farm, and he was wanted immediately, Mr. Cutler got up and lighted a lamp. But it appears that all night was ill, that every thing was all right at the farm, and that the pounding was not intended to attract his attention at all, for as soon as there was a light the pounding stopped and the author of it gave three shrill whistles, whereupon a team drove up, slacked, but did not stop, the man who was at the door jumped in, and drove off toward Newfane. In the morning Mr. Cutler thought he would investigate the matter a little, and to his surprise found that a jimmy had been applied to the door with enough force to split off a three-cornered piece about six inches in length. Without doubt this crowd is a part of the gang who have been cracking post-offices and robbing mail bags in the neighboring towns. This affair ought to be looked into and the gang run down.

## TEACHERS' INSTITUTE.

There will be a teachers' institute held in the village Wednesday, Feb. 12, under the direction of State Superintendent Mason S. Stone, assisted by County Supervisor Ryder. All those that are thinking of teaching are invited to be present.

There will be a public session in the evening. All who are interested in education should avail themselves of this opportunity, especially those in neighboring towns who have never had the pleasure of hearing Superintendent Stone. The morning and afternoon sessions are more particularly for teachers and those who are intending to teach in the future.

Mrs. Ora Ober is on the sick list.

Pauline Adams is much improved.

West River grange meets next Tuesday evening.

The Baptist ladies' aid society met with Mrs. A. A. Mason Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Alice Ingalls had the misfortune to lose her silver watch with a gold chain attached Tuesday morning.

The ladies' missionary society of the Baptist church met with Miss H. A. Fletcher Tuesday evening.

Rev. C. D. R. Meacham attended the board meeting of the Baptist state convention held at Rutland last week.

The young ladies took advantage of leap year, and 16 couples drove down to Newfane Saturday afternoon and enjoyed a turkey supper at Pratt's inn. After the supper they passed a very pleasant evening at cards, dancing and several social games, starting for home about 11 o'clock.

Mrs. Henry Scott is in Boston.

Mrs. Melvin Austin is very ill with heart trouble.

R. D. Greenwood has moved into the house which he has bought of Wm. Leonard.

Fred and Sidney Derry visited their sister Mrs. Wm. Britton in Westmoreland this week.

Mrs. Samuel Styles and son Guy from Pennsylvania, visited at I. C. and F. W. Watson's this week.

Miss Ella Willis entertained her scholars at her boarding place, F. W. Watson's, last week Monday night. The evening was spent in games.

## WEST TOWNSEND.

Bert Tyler is at home on a visit.

A. J. White has been seriously ill during the past week.

Mrs. L. J. Burrows has been to Athol to visit her son, W. Burrows.

Rev. A. J. Hough will preach in the chapel next Sunday afternoon at 2 o'clock.

Will Heard, who has been at work in Athol, Mass., during the past year, is at home.

Windham county Pomona grange will meet with Vernon grange next Wednesday.

The entertainment will consist of the usual program of speaking, music, etc. Dinner on the basket picnic plan, and public meeting in the afternoon, to which all are cordially invited.

## VERNON.

Bert Tyler of Fitchburg, Mass., came home Wednesday.

The ice houses are now nearly all filled with a superior quality of ice.

The cucumber vines in W. N. Dunklee's green house look well and promise a good yield.

The funeral of Miss Maud O'Connor was held Saturday and the burial was at Palmer, Mass.

J. A. Beers and family attended the wedding of Mr. Beers's brother Arthur, at Whitely, Mass., Thursday evening.

## RHEUMATISM RUNS RIOT

When there is lactic acid in the blood, lumbago and rheumatism will be of no permanent benefit. A cure can be accomplished only by neutralizing this acid and for this purpose Hood's Sarsaparilla is the best medicine because Hood's Sarsaparilla is the only true blood purifier prominently in the public eye.

Hood's Pills act early, yet promptly and effectively on the liver and bowels. Price, 50 cents.

Prompt relief in sick headache, dizziness, nausea, constipation, pain in the side, guaranteed to those using Carter's Little Liver Pills. One a dose.

## WARDSBORO.

Will Clark is working in Putney.

L. A. Whitcomb is moving into Mrs. P. E. Holden's house.

Miss Lucia Gleason, who has been ill for a few days, is improving.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Prouty have been visiting Mrs. Prouty's brother, A. M. Farnham.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Johnson will make their home with Mr. Johnson's parents during the winter.

Rev. and Mrs. G. H. Rogers are attending the ministerial association and Epworth league convention held this week in Windsor.

Rev. S. L. Vincent of Jamaica occupied the pulpit of the Methodist church last Sunday in exchange with the pastor and preached acceptably.

E. B. Read received the congratulations and best wishes of many of his friends on the 6th instant—the day on which he was 94 years old. His many friends on reading this will be pleased to know that he is hale and hearty. May he be spared many years to the community which he has so greatly helped.

## WARDSBORO CENTRE.

Mrs. Lucinda Smead is ill.

James Bussey is at home from Brattleboro and occupies his house, which has been closed nearly a year. He has brought his shoemaker's outfit and will do repairing.

We have had no preaching the last two Sundays, Rev. E. J. Ruliffson being a victim of the grip. It is hoped that the people will unite in sustaining the Sunday school and the Christian Endeavor meeting, which will be held in place of the preaching service until the pastor is again able to occupy the desk.

## SOUTH WARDSBORO.

Friends in this place extend congratulations to Amasa E. Fitts, of Wheatland, Calif., a former resident here, upon his recent marriage. The wedding took place at the bride's home in Erie, Calif. The groom is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fitts.

## WEST WARDSBORO.

Mrs. L. Smead is on the sick list.

B. C. Ryder has gone to Winchendon, Mass.

Mr. Field and family of Williamsville have moved into Ed. Young's house.

About 60 people enjoyed the leap year supper at the vestry Monday evening. A few couples took a sleighride before supper. It was planned by the Willing Workers as a surprise to Mr. Whitney, and the proceeds, which were about \$5.50, were acknowledged by him in a few appropriate words.

A good number, including several from adjoining towns, were out Sunday morning and evening. Many were disappointed that the Boutelle brothers were not present because of the bad traveling and severe cold. It is expected they will be back next Sunday, and that the bass solo "Rocked in the cradle of the deep" will be repeated in the morning by request. Mr. Lamphar of Jamaica sang several solos very acceptably last Sunday evening.

## WILLIAMSVILLE.

Dr. White has been ill with the grip the past week.

Mrs. E. R. Willard is visiting her son Frank at South Deerfield, Mass.

The leap year supper at schoolhouse hall on Friday evening of next week is expected to be the social event of the season.

The Young People's Christian union meeting at the Universalist church will be led by Miss Edna Wheeler next Sunday.

M. B. Switzer, the engineer at the steam mill, terminates his engagement to-day and C. A. Thorn takes his place. Mr. Switzer enters the employ of the Wilmington Grain & Lumber company as engineer.

## WILMINGTON.

Mrs. John R. Buell is very ill.

F. B. Hubbard is slowly improving.

The good sledding makes business lively in all directions.

A pleasant card party was given by Mrs. E. J. Titus on Monday evening.

Gertrude, the youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Griffin, is quite ill.

K. P. Ames went to New York on Wednesday to be absent two or three weeks.

Nearly all of the schools have closed and as far as we learn have been very successful.

The village school will close Friday with flag drill, musical selections, recitations, etc.

Col. J. H. Goulding will attend the state encampment of the Grand Army at Rutland next week.

The auditors have been in session this week and the town report will be published in due time.

A good number of our people attended the opening ball at Mann's hall at West Dover last Friday evening.

There will be a reunion of the dancing class on Monday evening. Mrs. J. H. Kidder will preside at the piano.

Mrs. F. L. Allen and Miss May Allen have returned from Sunderland, where they have visited for a week or more.

Clarence P. Buffum is confined to the house with the grip. H. A. Ware and family have been ill nearly two weeks with grip.

About 50 of the friends and neighbors of

## Terrible

## \* Starvation

is daily the cause of death on every side, not from inability to get food, but from the impossibility, caused by disease to assimilate it. Everyone has marked the continual losing of flesh and daily wasting away of some beloved friend. Call the disease what name you will, the fact remains that the ultimate end has been due to starvation. Don't wait too long, give the sufferer

## Bovinine

It is not a medicine, but a food product, a powerful concentration into small bulk of the vital elements of lean beef, every bit of the nutritive qualities of which have been retained, on account of the special cold process by which it is prepared. It creates new red blood corpuscles, increases weight, builds flesh and nerve tissue, and strengthening the life-maintaining organs of the body, enables them to perform their functions naturally and throw off disease—ask your doctor, he will tell you this is so.

Ray and Mrs. McKenzie called at their home on Tuesday evening to celebrate the 12th anniversary of their wedding. The evening was pleasantly passed in social intercourse, a variety of useful presents were made and all expressed the heartiest wishes that Mr. and Mrs. McKenzie might see many returns of the anniversary.

## BONDVILLE.

A Farmers' Institute.

Farmers' institutes will be held here on Tuesday and Wednesday, Feb. 11 and 12, and at Dorset the 13th and 14th. C. M. Winslow of Brandon will talk at both places on "Bovine tuberculosis," H. W. Vail of Pomfret on "Breeding and care of the dairy cow," Victor I. Spear of Brain-tree on "General farm management," J. C. Sanford of Stamford on "Manure and its application to the soil," Prof. J. L. Hills of Burlington on "What experimental stations have done for dairying," and F. C. Williams of Coventry will talk at Bondville on "Corn and the silo," and at Dorset on "Will it pay to raise horses?" Discussions and question boxes are also on the program.

## WHITINGHAM.

The mill yards are fast filling up.

Moses Newton was in town last Friday.

E. P. Wheeler is at Bridgeport, Conn., on a business trip.

Hattie G. Snow is very low with consumption at Wilbur Chase's.

Jennie Wheeler had the misfortune to lose her cow last Saturday.

Mrs. Geo. Sawyer is able to be about the house after several weeks' illness.

C. S. Chase was in West Dover Monday looking after his lumbering interests there.

The village school, taught by Miss Fairbanks, closes a successful term next Friday.

Those who attended the Masonic installation at Jacksonville report it as enjoyable.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Chase have returned to town and rumor says they will occupy one of his tenements in the village.

Forty four couples, besides many spectators, attended the dance last Friday night. The next one, Feb. 14, will be a Valentine party.

The young people had fine times coasting last week—some are now wondering how many pounds an avoirdupois double-ripper will carry without breaking.

A Quickly Prepared Dessert.

Although the Blandy system of housekeeping has not yet been fully developed, the women of the day are to be congratulated upon the vast strides that are being made toward convenience and economy in housekeeping, and especially as regards the home full of fare.

In this connection, the Merrill-Soule company of Syracuse, has come conspicuously to the front with their Norel Such Mince Meat, a material for dessert, the prominent features of which are its wholesomeness, richness of flavor, and the remarkable short time in which it can be prepared for the table.

The ingredients of this Mince Meat are prepared in exact ratio, and with the greatest care. No addition to the land is there more scrupulous cleanliness. The choicest apples