

WESTBROOK.

A new hose reel has been procured for the Woodfords hose company. It is a four-wheeled reel "arranged" for horse or man power, carries 600 feet of hose and is painted bright red.

Presumpscot Valley lodge, No. 4, K. of P., of Cumberland Mills, will entertain the grand lodge officers and visiting brethren at their castle hall this evening. It is understood Manager Newman of the electric car line will provide a special car for the use of the visiting Knights, the car to leave Preble street at 7.15 p.m.

A Prospect That the Westbrook Mills Will Start Up.

A renewal of hope has been occasioned by the report that the mills of the Westbrook Manufacturing company are soon to be started up. It is now going on the thirteenth week since these mills shut down, throwing from 600 to 800 hands out of employment. In such a large number of employes, it is inevitable that there should be some who found themselves with little money to tide them over the dull times. But the city started work on streets and sewers which has disbursed about five hundred dollars a week. This has prevented the bills for support of the poor from raising too high, although the bills upon the city authorities have been many. The local branch of the Y's, the junior department of the W. C. T. U., has been doing much to relieve distress. They have an efficient organization for ascertaining cases of distress, and when such have been presented, have promptly raised funds for alleviation.

But in spite of all that has been done the pinch has begun to be felt this week more than ever. The little hoards of money, upon which many families have been living, are now becoming exhausted; and the business men of Westbrook say that the volume of business shows this.

Under such circumstances the report that the mills are likely to start up was warmly welcomed. A representative of the PRESS has found that such is likely to be the case. A meeting of the stockholders has been held in Portland within a few days, and a meeting a conditional arrangement was made for the resumption of operations. It seems to be the opinion among those qualified to know that this resumption is likely to begin before long.

A Funny Fence.

People passing along Main street between Cumberland Mills and Westbrook village, have noticed recently a new fence enclosing a narrow, queerly shaped lot. The legend, "Rabbit Pasture," scratched on the boards in a boyish hand, has not tended to diminish interest. This queer lot lies on the northerly side of the street, and is between the lots on which stand the fine looking residences of Messrs. Adelbert W. Chute and Lyman W. Guphill. The lot is only five feet wide by about two hundred feet long.

Most of it is a gully, which adds still more to its uselessness. How such a lot came to exist in the heart of a city is a queer story. Several years ago the present Guphill lot was owned by Messrs. David N. Hooper of Portland and Harland N. Raymond of Westbrook. These two sold the lot to a man named Stevens, but in the deed the width was given no one knows how it happened, as seventy feet, instead of seventy-five. Mr. Stevens bought seventy feet, but soon found that that was not the whole lot. There was a strip five feet wide next to Mr. Chute's lot which belonged still to Messrs. Hooper and Raymond. Mr. Stevens sold his lot to Mr. Guphill, but neither the latter nor Mr. Chute have as yet been able to buy the little rabbit pasture between them. Now that it has been fenced in it is a queer little domain than ever before.

CAPE ELIZABETH.

A Lively Trial in the Court Room.

Wednesday forenoon the Knightville court house was the scene of a double-headed trial before Justice Robinson, the complainants being a couple of Jew rag collectors, David and Jacob Brantz, brothers, from the city; the respondents two South Portland boys, Clarence Fowler and Walter Marshall. The original charge was the theft of a bag of rags from the Jews, the attempt to recover the same resulting in an assault. The boys were defended by Edwin E. Eckbert, Esq., of Portland, and they brought with them their own array of sympathetic witnesses that completely filled the little room. It appeared that the peddlers had left their team standing near the corner of Stanford and High streets, South Portland, while they scoured the lanes and by-streets for more rags. While thus absent, some mischievous boys took away the goods from the team and concealed them. When the bag was missed the peddlers pitched into the Jew Marshall, he being near by, taking him by the collar and demanding the hidden or stolen rags. A scuffle ensued, in which a number of youngsters came to Marshall's rescue, as well as the peddler's business partner to the assistance of his brethren. The boys were given on both sides, but the two Jews soon got the worst of the battle. Young Fowler impressed the court with the statement that when he "got hit in the neck," he promptly "knocked" his assailant, David Brantz, down twice. According to testimony, the young fellows realized that the row was attracting a large crowd of people and some one cried out, "the rags are over the fence." A young man named Dimond went and got them and turned them over to the peddlers. But the Jew's wrath was not appeased by the restoration of their property. They had been roughly handled, so they swore out a warrant for the arrest of the two youngsters before named, and Constable Wm. Turner took them into custody. Upon the evidence advanced Justice Robinson decided that the charge of theft not being proved, and the assault appearing to be self defence, the accused were discharged. Lawyer Eckbert's plea in defence of the accused, and his citation of law in their behalf, visibly impressed the Court, as did also his quotations from the United States Constitution to show that Jacob Brantz had restrained the personal liberty of young Marshall. A laughable feature of the trial was the uneasy deportment of the peddlers, resulting from their evident impatience to get away to the pursuit of their business.

The selectmen of Cape Elizabeth have awarded the contract for building 2000 feet of sewer on Preble street, South Portland, and 1350 feet on Pleasantdale street, Cape Elizabeth, to Mr. H. H. Pittie. There were six bidders, Mr. Sullivan of Portland, being the highest and Mr. O'Neil of Portland, the lowest. Mr. O'Neil was at first awarded the contract, but as he failed to appear before the board to sign the contract, the job was awarded to the next lowest. If the weather permits the work will be finished in three weeks.

DEERING.

The Deering Electric Light Co. will begin work immediately on their new electric plant at Woodfords. It will consist of a 50 arc dynamo and a 500 light alternator. It is reported that they are agreeing to furnish lights in thirty days.

Rev. Gowan Wilson, Congregational State Missionary, supplied the pulpit of the Free church last Sunday.

Mrs. Sawyer, of Stevens Plains, has returned from the World's Fair. Her health seems improved.

Mrs. Briggs of Forest Avenue is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Wm. Lowney of Worcester, Mass.

A delightful meeting of the Deering Shakespeare Club was held Monday evening at the home of Mrs. Fredrick Jones, Richardson St. A new member was received. The closing scenes of the Midsummer Night's Dream was read. We understand that the club is to be tried by forty test questions on this play. It has been decided to hold the club meetings during the month of November also with Mrs. Jones. They lay selected to be read next is Twelfth Night, or What You Will.

A reception was recently tendered to Rev. O. F. Safford, D. D. and lady, by the society of All Souls Church. A beautiful sideboard and chair and a silver cake basket were presented to the retiring pastor and his wife as tokens of the respect and affection of their people.

Mrs. Emma Knight and her son Fred of North Deering, are ill.

The Crescent Assembly of the Pythian Sisterhood visited the Assembly at Cumberland Mills Saturday evening.

Rev. Dr. Safford, of All Souls church last Sunday preached an eloquent sermon, closing with "Christian words of farewell to his people."

Mr. and Mrs. F. F. Clark of Oakdale, have returned from Chicago.

Mrs. Charlotte Packard of Fessenden street left Monday for a visit in Bath.

Master Frank Wilson has been in Buxton the past week gunning.

Mr. Jordan, formerly with W. L. Wilson, has accepted a position with the Brooks Brothers in Oakdale.

The Oakdale ball seems to be languishing at present; its interests scarcely moving at all.

Deering Centre.

Last Thursday evening the Epworth League of the Methodist church, Woodfords, met with Mr. and Mrs. L. S. Perry, Florence street. During the evening the annual business meeting of the league was held, after which a peanut hunt was much enjoyed by all present.

Rev. D. M. Pratt of Williston church, preached at the Congregational church, Woodfords, last Sunday morning.

Mr. A. F. Johnson, Grant street, returned from the World's Fair last Friday.

The Misses Carrie and Alice Eastman have returned from the World's Fair.

Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Lane and Miss Lane returned from New Hampshire Wednesday noon.

Mrs. Ira S. Locke, attended a church social last week, the first time for nearly three years. We are glad that she is improving and able to be out once more.

The Deering High school foot ball team played with Shaw's Business College last Saturday afternoon. The score was 10 to 4, in favor of the D. H. S.

The Italians have commenced digging for the sewer on Stevens Plains avenue.

It is rumored that a new house is to be built on Clinton street.

Presiding Elder G. R. Palmer preached at the Methodist church last Sunday evening.

Mrs. Hutchins, who broke her ankle the first of the summer, was out riding Wednesday forenoon.

MAINE TOWNS.

Items of Interest Gathered by Correspondents of the Press.

Gray.

WEST GRAY. Mr. and Mrs. Taylor, advent preachers from Bridgton, have been holding a series of meetings in Mystic Hall, West Gray, the past week, Miss Alfreda Brewster of Portland assisting them in the service. The meetings were well attended, and a good degree of interest was manifested. The meetings closed on Sunday night.

John H. Allen found mayflowers in bloom Oct. 27.

Walter H. Libby has been at home from Boston the past week to see his mother, Mrs. Mary Libby, who is very low. He returned to Boston on Saturday.

Jennie L. Pennell is at North Windham with her sister, Mrs. A. N. Witham.

George Hunt and David Huston are painting sleighs for Charles E. Allen.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hunt, of Deering, passed Saturday night and Sunday with friends in West Gray.

Mr. Edward Huston fell from the roof of his house one day last week by the staging giving way. He was considerably shaken up, but not seriously injured, and is all right now.

Cumberland.

WEST CUMBERLAND. Miss Eda Shaw has returned to O. S. Thomas's to work.

Miss Ada Morrill has closed her school in North Yarmouth and returned home. Mr. Frank Shaw has moved into the house owned by New H. Hicks.

O. E. Shaw has recently purchased a colt of Dr. Henry Moulton.

Harland Abbott is at work for Edward Blanchard of Yarmouth.

Mr. Oliver Mountford has finished work for Rufus Legrow.

Edwin Morrill is spending a few days in Portland and at Woodfords' Corner.

Fownal.

Mrs. C. H. Merrill has been spending the past week with her daughter, Mrs. James Marsh of Boston.

Mr. Herbert Stubbs of Boston has been spending some days at Mr. Hanson Stubbs'.

Mr. G. Irving Rice of Bangor passed Sunday with his friends here in town. School in district No. 3 commenced on Monday.

Farmers are now busily engaged with the fall plowing. The last rain was much appreciated for that purpose.

Real Estate Transfers.

The following transfers of real estate are reported:

Cape Elizabeth—Matthew Woods to Annie E. Wast.

Naples—Lucy A. Chaplin to Samuel L. Chaplin, \$1000.

Windham—Thomas M. Douglass to Roscoe G. Allen et al.

Casco—William H. Merrow to Ellen N. Young, \$850.

New Gloucester—Charles Brackett to M. R. Berry.

Deering—Thomas J. Ward to Margaret O'Connor.

Twelve Augusta Democrats have signed their intention of joining a protective tariff league now being formed in that city.

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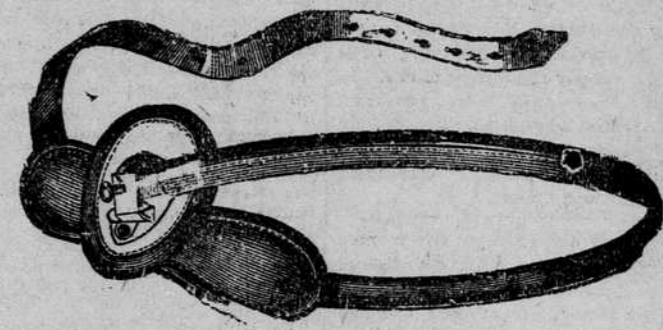
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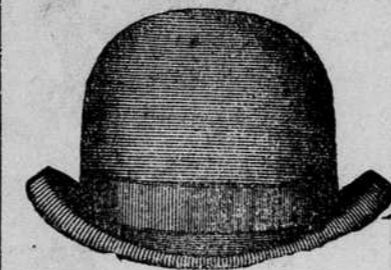
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