January 3, 1908

Mrs. Fred B. York passed a few days with friends in Dover this week.

Josiah Bartlett of New Britain, Ct., visited his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John C. Bartlett, at Wayside Farm, a few days last week.

Mrs. Lucy Thompson and family dined Christmas day with her son, E. J. Thompson, at Pine Grove Farm.

The annual business meeting of the Congregational Society will be held in C.F. Hall Tuesday, Jan. 7, at 1 P.M., followed by the meeting of the church to elect officers and transact any business that may come before them.

Frank McDaniel went to North Andover, Mass., Tuesday to pass a few days with relatives.

Albert Dudley and visiting friend, Norman Dale, returned Monday to their studies at Kimball Union Academy in Meriden.

Daniel E. Plummer passed a couple of days in Boston last week.

Little Grace Wellington severely burned her hand with boiling sugar last week. Dr. Grant of Durham attended her.

Samuel E. Demeritt, with Mr. and Mrs. Lyford Wiggins, has moved into his new house. Although it is not finished, it is inhabitable and will be completed in the near spring.

Little Miss Sadie Marion Griffiths has just returned to her home in Packer’s Falls from a few days’ visit with relatives in North Andover, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Littlefield of Epping called Sunday at Mrs. Littlefield’s old home, the Millet Thompson place, and also at Hilltop Farm.
Albert Durell is staying for the present with his aunt, Mrs. R. F. D. Bennett, at Hill Crest.

Master Herbert Hardy visited a few days last week with Mr. and Mrs. Bert Pray, returning to his home in Ayer, Mass., Saturday, accompanied by Mrs. Pray and three children, who will pass a week with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph N. Bryant of Portland, Me., were the guests of Mrs. Bryant's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ben F. Davis, at The Meadow, over Christmas.

The Woman's Missionary Society met with Mrs. G. E. Kinney at the parsonage Thursday afternoon.

The Jeremiah Smith Grange unloaded a well filled Christmas tree last Tuesday evening in Grange hall. A pleasing program was rendered by the school children. There were presents and candy for all the children, and also for many of the older ones. Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Kinney were the recipients of a purse of money, and Miss Ethel Durgin received a beautiful cocoa set as a slight token of appreciation for her services as organist at the chapel.

Mr. and Mrs. Ora Howard of New York city announce the engagement of their daughter, Miss Pauline, to Willard D. Howe of Pittston, Pa. Mrs. Howard and daughter have passed several summers at the Larches, and Mr. Howe has also visited here.

The preparatory meeting will be at the parsonage Saturday afternoon. The Lord's supper will be commemorated after the usual Sunday morning service, at the chapel.

Mrs. Harriet Dame of the Larches has just passed her eighty-fourth anniversary and is able to care for herself unaided. She reads, sews and has recently knit ten pairs of mittens, and has hooked one large rug this winter and has another more than half completed.

Rev. G. E. Kinney, being one of the committee on benevolence of the Strafford County conference, attended the meeting held in Rochester Monday. He drove to Dover in the heavy rain. Evidently Mr. Kinney believes, "He that putteth his hand to the plow, and looketh back, is not fit for the kingdom."

About fifteen of the local musicians (?) met at the residence of Mr. and Mrs. John H. Currier Saturday evening to give an open air concert. "If the music(?) wasn't sweet, it was mighty strong." John hastened to invite them to come in. Fruit and cigars were served, phonograph selections and games were enjoyed.

The special meeting, which was to be next Wednesday evening, for the installation of the officers-elect of Jeremiah Smith Grange, has been postponed until the regular meeting, Jan. 14.
James Conlon of Haverhill and George Smith of Boston were visitors here Christmas.

Irving Edgerly of Lynn visited at the farm Sunday. C.B. Edgerly, temporarily of Nova Scotia, is passing a couple of weeks here.

We understand that Miss Mabel Haley will go this week to the Massachusetts General Hospital for treatment, her health having been impaired by a fall some years ago.

A rooster sent from Howard Glidden's farm to Walter Greene, North Carolina, several weeks ago, took the two first prizes at a poultry show there. Among the competitors was Wm. K. Vanderbilt, who had twenty-five pens on exhibition. This particular rooster was of the R.I. Red strain ("the best ever" say I).

H.G. Keeler, treasurer of the fibre mill, presented his friends here with elegant calendars, Christmas. They are indeed works of art.

Fred L. Allen of Lynn was in town recently. The friends of his estimable young wife, who was very popular during her stay in Lee, regret to know she is critically ill with a lung trouble.

When the ground is covered with snow it is a sight to see the blue jays stand on the coal heap and eat ashes, and as all sweet birds do, fight for first place. I conclude they devour them so ravenously to keep their crops from a collapse.
January 10, 1908

“To reach the port of heaven, we must sail sometimes with the wind and sometimes against it, but we must sail and not drift nor lie at anchor.”—O.W. Holmes.

Mrs. Emma Hale and two sons, Alfred and Clifford, passed a few days this week with friends in Lynn, Mass.

Miss Bessie Thompson has accepted a position to do office work at the Bernarr McFadden Health Home in Spotswood, N.J.

Edwin Wiggin of Lynn, Mass., while recuperating from la grippe, is passing a week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Wiggin, at Willow Homestead.

Frank I. Caldwell made a week-end visit with friends in Dover.

Mrs. Bert Pray, who has been restricted to the house a few days by a grippe cold, is able to be out again.

The next lecture in the course will be delivered by Dr. George Hall of Dover, Friday evening, Jan. 17. Subject, "The Humorous, its Use and Abuse."

Mrs. Albert D. Wiggin has been somewhat under the weather the past week, from a severe cold.

Arthur McDaniel, Master of Jeremiah Smith Grange, accompanied by his wife and Miss Ethel Durgin, drove to Northwood Tuesday evening, to install the officers-elect of the Northwood Grange.

Mrs. Rebecca P.D. Bennett and Miss Mary B. York had business in Dover last Thursday.

Joseph Knight, one of our oldest residents, while running to escape from a rolling log, tripped his toe, which threw him to the ground, breaking his arm between the elbow and shoulder. He has the sympathy of the townspeople in his affliction.

The annual parish meeting Tuesday afternoon the following officers were chosen. Moderator, Arthur J. Thompson, clerk, Mary A. Hoitt, wardens, Frank McDaniel, Alfred C. Durgin, Ira B. Hill, treasurer, William H. Thompson, deacon, Arthur J. Thompson, auditor, Alfred C. Durgin, Mrs. A. Flora Davis was chosen for three years, member of church committee, music committee, Miss Ethel Durgin, Arthur McDaniel, Lizzie Thompson, lookout committee, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Durgin, Edson Sewall, Mary A. Chesley; social committee, Mrs. Nellie J.C. Durgin, Miss Ethel Durgin, Mrs. Helen McRae, superintendent of Sunday School, Mrs. Caroline Kinney, assistant superintendent, Arthur McDaniel, librarian, Arthur Thompson, secretary, Mrs. Nellie J.C. Durgin, library committee, Mrs. Gilman Y. Durgin, Mrs. Caroline Kinney, Mrs. Alfred C. Durgin.

Guy Glidden had business in Exeter Monday. He made the trip in his automobile.
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WADLEY'S FALLS

Joseph Knight, while working in the woods last Saturday, fell on a pile of rocks and broke an arm close to the shoulder. Dr. Mitchell was called to attend him.

Mrs. W. O. Thompson went last week on a business trip to New York.

On John Wiggin's farm his grandson collected a bushel and a half of moths' nests, Monday, as a starter.

Annie Connor went to Haverhill a few days ago on a visit to friends.

Jose Sawyer has been ill for some time, threatened with typhoid pneumonia. Dr. Morse, also a nurse, are caring for him.

Mrs. Frances Small and daughter, Ida, had business in Dover last Wednesday.

Neighbor C. B. Edgerly must have found it rather rough on the water Tuesday night, on his way by boat to resume business in the lumber regions of Nova Scotia.

The trees look as if some tall hustling must be done to rid them of the moth pests within the prescribed time, Jan. 20.

Bert Pray and Harry Smith are each building a motor boat this winter at Wadley's.

Jack Cook says the deer played it on the Lee hunters, for during those fifteen (torturing) days, not one could be tracked anywhere. After the law protected them, they could be seen everywhere.

As a sort of brain wrecker, your scribe completed last winter seventy-two squares of four words per square. No two words alike; reading down and across the same, and all connected, only common words used. I doubt if ever anyone before attempted it. I wouldn't again.

The post office is so tightly bound with official red tape, that the incumbents are obliged to continue the same, after having given three months notice. As they had planned to spend the winter away, it is a great inconvenience, to say the least, to be served so.
January 17, 1908

Mrs. Charles Edgerly has been confined to her room for several days by la grippe.

Charles S. Otis and David Allard of Dover called on Jones Whitehouse a few days ago.

Mrs. Arthur Crane, with son, Master Murray, and daughter, Miss Helen, of West Somerville, Mass., recently passed a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Oldham. Miss Edna Baker of Waltham, Mass., has also been a guest at Maplewood.

Fred S. Coffin has been quite ill of bronchitis. Dr. Mitchell of Epping is in attendance.

Edwin R. Bennett, employed in Alton, was at home over Sunday.

Miss Della Hamilton of Newmarket passed a few days recently with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Oldham, while nursing a severe cold.

Don't forget the lecture this (Friday) evening, which is to be delivered by Dr. George Hall of Dover. It is hoped there will be a goodly number present.

Guy Glidden had business in Alton last Friday.

As we firmly believe in the old adage, "better late than never," we will mention that George Dudley was presented, by the Newmarket Fair Association, with a handsome silver cup, suitably engraved, as a slight token of their appreciation for the largest and best display of vegetables at their fair in September.

Miss Josie Keniston of Newmarket Plains recently visited, and Grover Keniston of Newmarket called, on Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Coffin.

Mrs. Nancy Gibbs, who has been very ill of bronchitis and la grippe, is slowly recovering.

Quite a number of Lee people attended the installation of officers in the Lamprey River Grange last Thursday evening and all report a very interesting and enjoyable evening.

Mrs. Joseph Knight is very sick. It is very unfortunate, as her husband has recently broken his arm.
Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. George Dudley installed the officers elect of Jeremiah Smith Grange very proficiently, in the presence of about sixty. There were visitors from Nottingham, Newmarket and Epping. A literary programme was presented, consisting of an instrumental duet by Mrs. Arthur McDaniel and Miss Ethel Durgin; a reading by Miss Flora Wellington, and a solo by Mrs. McDaniel. The Grange paper was read by Arthur McDaniel. After the exercises a bountiful supper, consisting of scalloped potatoes, salads, cold meats, rolls, pies, cakes and coffee, was served. Mrs. Alfred Durgin had charge of the supper committee.

Died in his home at Wadley’s Falls, Jan. 14, of typhoid-pneumonia, Josiah F. Sawyer, aged about fifty-one years. Surviving him are a son, a sister and one brother, besides other relatives. Mr. Sawyer was a quiet, peaceable citizen, an honest, home-loving man, who strictly minded his own business. This is an especially sad case, as he was the sole companion of his son, and the death of his father leaves him indeed desolate, as they have lived alone for several years, and he has the sympathy of the whole community in his sore bereavement. There was a quiet funeral at his late home Thursday afternoon. “Let us seek the good that is in people, and leave the rest to Him who made mankind, and can round off the corners.”

WADLEY’S FALLS

The post office is to be discontinued the last week of this month. The stage will run as usual from Northwood to Newmarket, which pleases everybody.

Mrs. Susan and Mrs. Annie Edgerly are quite ill with the prevailing grip cold and pneumonia symptoms. A physician is attending them.

It was nine years ago this winter when the grip was an epidemic all over the country, and many died in the towns around us from its effects.
January 24, 1908

Mrs. Jennie Learnard returned to her home in Derry Wednesday, after passing ten days with her daughter, Mrs. Guy Glidden.

Miss Ethel I. Davis has been very sick the past week of measles, but is better now.

Harrison G. Sanborn of Epping visited last Friday with Fred B. York. Frank Page of Dover was a visitor also at Walnut Avenue Farms, Tuesday.

Irving I. Edgerly, who has been visiting with his mother, Mrs. Susan Edgerly, several days, returned to his home in Swampscott, Mass., Tuesday.

Mrs. Nellie C. Thompson and daughter, Miss Helen, visited with friends in Epping a few days ago.

The lecture last Friday evening, which was delivered by Dr. G. Hall of Dover, proved to be very interesting.

Tuesday, John C. Bartlett shipped, to a party in Colchester, C.t., a ten-months-old, full-blooded, registered Holstein bull, which weighed 498 pounds, this being the second one he has sold this week. The other one went to a party at Dover Point.

Rev. G.E. Kinney attended the meeting of the Piscataqua association of Congregational ministers, held at Rochester Tuesday.

Mrs. Elizabeth Pike, one of our oldest residents, who is passing the winter with her nephew in Everett, Mass., fell down a flight of stairs several weeks ago, which injured her so severely that she is feared that she may never be able to walk again, as she is ninety years of age.

Mrs. Susan Edgerly has been seriously ill, having sustained a severe hemorrhage last week, but is thought by her physician, Dr. Mitchell of Epping, to be on the road to recovery now.

Miss Jennie Young, on the Newmarket road, accompanied by Master Clyde Walker, attended the reunion of class '91, Newmarket High school, which met with one of its members in Exeter last Saturday.

Died, Jan. 17, at her home near the South Side, Mrs. Mary A., wife of Joseph Knight, aged seventy-eight years. Surviving her are a husband, one daughter and a son, beside other relatives. At the funeral, which occurred in her late home Monday afternoon, Rev. G.E. Kinney officiated. The services were brief, on account of the illness of the aged husband, who is suffering from a broken arm. The floral gifts were beautiful. The bearers were John Buzzell, Charles G. Dame, Charles A. Woodman and Arthur J. Thompson. Interment was in the family lot at Lee Hill cemetery. Mrs. Knight was not a native of Lee, but has lived here during her married life, about fifty-six years. She has been an invalid many years, therefore has lived quietly. The immediate cause of her death was paralysis. She was a good neighbor, a faithful wife and an indulgent mother. The family have the sympathy of their friends in this their hour of sorrow.

"The unseen angel has borne another soul over the outgoing tide to that dreamless shore where we all have dear ones awaiting our coming home."
January 31, 1908

Frank Oldham had business in Dover last Thursday.

Last Saturday afternoon the selectmen met to transact any business that might come before them and to draw two jurors. Willie S. Layn was drawn as grand and Frank D. Randall as petit juror.

Rev. G. E. Kinney was called to Barrington Monday to attend a funeral.

Little Marion D. Walker has been afflicted by measles, but is recovering now.

Mrs. Samuel W. Lane passed a few days with friends in Dover last week.

"Little Tommy Tucker," Mrs. Mabel M. Glidden's beautiful cocker spaniel, took first prize for puppy dogs at the Lynn, Mass., dog show last week.

Mrs. Fred B. York visited with friends in Dover two days last week.

There will be a social at C.E. Hall this (Friday) evening. A cordial invitation is extended to everybody.

Mrs. Mary A. Hoitt is in Boston this week for the treatment of her eyes, which have been somewhat troublesome of late.

Mr. and Mrs. Sam Bennett and two daughters, Misses Florence and Sadie, of Exeter, and Mr. and Mrs. George Hardy and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, of Newmarket, were the guests of Simon C. Hardy at Oak Cottage Sunday.

The friends of Ira B. Hill were pleased to see him at church Sunday, after his enforced absence, from illness, for several weeks.

The friends of Mrs. Susan Edgerly will be pleased to know she is slowly recovering from her recent serious illness.

Mrs. Edward Hancock and three sons of Brookline, Mass., are staying for the present with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Horace Caverno.

Mrs. James B.C. Walker had business in Newmarket Wednesday and also in Dover Thursday.

The Woman's Missionary Society will meet Thursday afternoon, Feb. 6, with Mrs. George E. Chesley.

The farmers on the "Mast road" harvested their ice this week. It was cut by Clarence Fernald from "Turtle pond" and was eleven inches thick and of excellent quality.

Tuesday evening it was voted by Jeremiah Smith Grange to consider what would be the best way to add a kitchen and dining room to their already commodious hall. All grangers are expected to give it thought and report their decision at the next meeting, when a full attendance is requested.
February 7, 1908

We are passing through an extremely cold wave; the thermometer has registered at zero and one or two degrees below several days, but Wednesday morning it was 15 degrees below at Lee Hill and 10 degrees in many other places in town.

Mrs. James B.C. Walker and Mrs. Ira Daniels drove to Dover last Friday.

Mrs. Susan Edgerly and Mrs. Charles Edgerly, who have been quite ill several weeks, are both able to be about the house again.

Miss Mary A. Chesley passed a day last week with friends in Exeter.

It has been hinted that those who attend the Drama, "Our Folks," which will be presented by Lamprey River Grange at Newmarket town hall Feb. 11, will make no mistake.

Mrs. Ella Pike, who has been quite ill of la grippe, is recovering.

Mrs. Nellie C. Thompson and daughter, Miss Helen, had considerable courage to be making calls Tuesday when the thermometer was only six degrees above zero.

The last lecture of the course will be delivered by Rev. William Beard of Durham, Friday evening, Feb. 14. Subject, his "Trip to Jamestown." It is hoped there will be a full attendance, as he is a fine speaker and no doubt will make it both interesting and instructive.

Daniel E. Plummer was engaged in harvesting his ice Tuesday and Wednesday.

Miss Mary A. Hoitt, who went to Boston for the treatment of her eyes, has returned and thinks the treatment beneficial.

Don’t neglect to feed the birds; it will prevent much suffering and no doubt save many lives. The earth is covered by a hard coat of ice and there is very little they can get to eat. Commence to feed them and see how interesting it will become. Let the children tie a piece of suet to a nearby tree and strew crumbs and grains about and watch them. We should be very lonely without our bright-eyed, cheerful little friends.

“Chick, chick, chick, chickadee-dee
I’ve sat an hour on this tall pine tree
I’m cold and hungry, but still I sing
As merrily now as I did in spring
It’s no use fretting when things go wrong
The world likes better to hear a song,
So while I’m waiting for food you see,
I sing chick, chichi, chickadee-dee.

When snow is falling it’s hard to find
A bug or a worm, but I do not mind,
I know kind children will hear my plea
Of chick, chick, chick, chickadee-dee.

It’s no use fretting when things go wrong
The world likes better to hear a song,
So while I’m waiting for food you see,
I sing chick, chichi, chickadee-dee.

“Crums on the doorstep, a meat bone hung,
High us the snowclad branches among,
I’m sure to find, and I think they’re sent
Because a bright ‘Chicka’ is my lament.”
Don’t forget the lecture this (Friday) evening. The school children who have been provided with free tickets for the previous lectures of the course will be allowed to attend this one also. Fine sleighing, a fine speaker and an interesting subject ought to make a full house.

Daniel E. Plummer and Mrs. James B.C. Walker attended the Sullivan Lodge, K.P., which party at Durham Monday evening.

Orrin Small and daughter, Miss Nellie, of Nottingham visited Monday with Mrs. Nellie C. Thompson at Walnut Grove.

John Hobbs has recently gone to Idaho to take charge of some part of a large ranch, recently purchased by his brother-in-law, Charles Sawyer, a native and former resident of this town.

The hint which was given last week, that those who attended the drama, “Our Folks,” given Tuesday evening by Lamprey River Grange at Newmarket, was verified by a goodly number of our townspeople, who were all convinced that surely they made no mistake.

Mrs. Nellie C. Thompson announces the engagement of her son, William O. Thompson, 2d, formerly of Lee, now of Mountainville, N.Y., to Miss Alice Putman of Washington, D.C.

The old adage, “A patient waiter is no loser,” has been verified to those who waited for snow to haul their ice on, and nearly all the farmers in this vicinity, who had dared to wait, hastened Monday morning to utilize it to harvest their ice.

Mrs. William O. Thompson, who has been staying for several weeks in Brooklyn, N.Y., is expected home very soon.

Miss Rose Bartlett and friend of Dover visited a few hours Tuesday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. True Bartlett, at the Ranch.

Miss Nellie Wiggin, who has been staying for some time in Brookline, Mass., came home Tuesday, accompanied by her cousin, Miss Annie Wiggin, of Roxbury, Mass., who expects to pass several weeks with her grandparents at Willow Homestead.

Mrs. Bert P. Thompson of North Dakota and Mrs. Levi Clark of Methuen, Mass., visited Wednesday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Young on the Newmarket road. They will spend a week at the old home and visit their old neighbors and friends.

Guy Glidden had business in Alton Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McDaniel of Nottingham spent Sunday with Mrs. McDaniel’s parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilman Y. Durgin, at Glenmere.

At the meeting of Jeremiah Smith Grange Tuesday evening several plans were submitted and discussed to enlarge their hall by adding a kitchen and dining-room. A committee of three, George Dudley, George E. Kinney and Frank I. Caldwell, were chosen to get estimate of cost and they may recommend what may seem to them to be the most feasible plan.
February 21, 1908

Miss Ethel I. Davis is passing this week with relatives in Dover.

Lewis Thompson of Methuen, Mass., visited Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Mary V. Thompson, at the old home.

Jesse Wheeler of Lowell, Mass., visited over Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Benton Layne, at Clearfield.

Two of the schools closed last Friday. The Centre school has been closed two weeks.

Frank E. Sewell is sexton at the chapel, in place of Forrest James, resigned.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Kinney had business in Dover Monday.

Mrs. Bert P. Thompson of North Dakota, who is passing this week at the old home, visited Wednesday with friends in Dover.

At the caucus held by the Union party Tuesday evening there was quite a good attendance. The officers nominated were as equally selected from each party as possible, and were nearly the same as last year. As this seems a step in the right direction, it is hoped it will continue in favor until the use of money will be understood, by all voters, to be a degradation to those who pay, as well as to those who sell their right of suffrage.

Ernest Tootill and Miss Gertrude Abbott of Dover visited with Miss Bertha Tootill Sunday at Walnut Avenue Farms.

Rev. G. E. Kinney was called to Madbury Thursday to attend a funeral.

Miss Jennie Farwell closed her school in Madbury Friday. Thursday she observed, by special exercises, Lincoln Day, which were enthusiastically rendered and very interesting, after which ice cream and cake were served to all present.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Lewis R. Thompson of Methuen, Mass., recently, a daughter. Mr. Thompson was a native and former resident of this town and his friends here extend congratulations and wish them joy in their new possession.

Rev. G. E. Kinney expects to attend the meeting of the Piscataqua Congregational Club, which will be held in Dover Saturday.

Frank McDaniel has been seriously afflicted by sciatica for two weeks, but is getting better now.

Miss Jennie Farwell visited over night with friends in Dover, and was present at the Cordelia Club Tuesday evening.

Our fine sleighing of last week disappeared during the rain Saturday, and wheels have been in commission again, but now (Wednesday) the beautiful snow is falling swiftly and softly, and we hope we will have sleighing again.
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These very sudden changes of weather are bringing lots of sickness, especially to the old people. Mrs. Clara Caldwell has had a severe cold, with symptoms of pneumonia, but Dr. Grant of Durham soon relieved that. Mrs. Maurice Lane and son, Mark, have both been confined to their rooms for a couple of days, but are improving now. Charles E. Stackpole is also on the sick list. Many others are suffering from bad colds.

Otis E. Woodman, who has been out of health for some time, continues about the same.

Sam W. Lane had business in Rochester Monday and Tuesday.

Mrs. C. Frank Stimpson, who has passed a week in Portsmouth, with her children, returned home Tuesday night.

The school at Lane's district closed last Saturday. I suppose the others did also, but I haven't heard.

Charles Mathews, a boy living at Will Layn's, had the misfortune to break one of the bones of his leg recently. Not a very clear account of how it happened has been given out, so no one knows how it was done. Dr. Grant of Durham said it would be sometime before he could use it.

Jesse Wheeler of Lowell, Mass., is visiting his sister, Mrs. B.E. Layn.

We heard the librarian of our library say that 47 new books had been added this year.

Wadley's Falls

J.M. Cook, J.M. Conlon and H.F. Smith went Monday night on a fishing excursion to the bay, returning in the week small hours with 30 lbs. of smelts and other fry, goodly to see in these times famine.

Mrs. Lillie Coffin has been in Exeter all winter, where she has a lucrative position in the shoe factory.

Mrs. Susan Edgerly went Sunday to Swampscott on a visit. Her son, Irving, came up to accompany her to his home there. Her many friends hope she will fully recover her health.
February 21, 1908 cont.

After a good long rest, with her relatives, (of whom she has many) in that delightful town.

Miss Mabel Haley underwent a serious surgical operation at Dr. Grey's private hospital, Lynn, last week Wednesday, and her safe recovery is assured, unless complications arise to retard it.

H. M. Glidden recently purchased of Hiram Chapman of Revere, Mass., the field and wood-lot on Exeter road, formerly belonging to the Wilson estate, now owned by John Cook.

We are a dissatisfied few here owing to the loss of both post office and stage, as they were a sort of brace to the R.F.D., which latter does not seem adequate to the needs of the Fibre Co. and the lumber merchants. Business firms want their mail daily, regardless of holidays. When the stage was on deck they had it. The R.F.D.'s take the holidays, and we must wait 'till next day and perhaps over Sunday, for our daily papers, which in this isolated region, are such a solace. If the stage run, Mr. Tuttle would as heretofore, when required, distribute the mail from Northwood to Newmarket, and the reverse, giving the advantage of receiving our mail twice a day. He never failed, and was so reliable that one could set her clock by his coming. The fibre mill manager is all stirred up over the present mail service and wishes he had taken the post office when it was offered him. We have not spoken of the express and passenger needs, simply of the mail service, first in importance. To this end we will ever pray that he stage may be restored to its former route (as with but one or two exceptions, is the wish of everybody), and peace reign once more.

Nellie Pike, who has been confined to the house and most of the time to the bed since the death of her mother, with trouble with her lungs, throat and heart, is, we think, a little better, but very weak and can talk only in a whisper. Her attending physician is Dr. Grant.