October 9, 1908

There will be service at the chapel Sunday morning.

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Mr. John Piper is very ill of ulcers in the stomach.

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Ellery D. Jenkins of Lowell, Mass., is passing this week with Mr. and Mrs. John S. Jenkins. William L. Priest of Providence, R.I., also made a week-end visit with his wife, who is staying at the Jenkins homestead.

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We deeply sympathize with Arioich W. Griffiths of Packer’s Falls in his painful affliction in the loss of his eye, which was removed Monday at the Wentworth hospital in Dover by Dr. Flanders, assisted by Dr. Tolman. Forty-seven years ago, when gunning, a piece of the cap penetrated his eye, which was never wholly removed, this destroyed the sight, and at times has caused intense pain, now to save the sight of the other eye it was necessary to remove it. He is getting along nicely.

The union party held their caucus Monday evening at which the following officers were nominated. Moderator, Benton Layn, d. representative, Lewis H. Snell, r. supervisors, Willys P. Tuttle, d. Charles A. Fernald, d. Walter W. Jones, r.

Mrs. Lewis Ellison and little daughter, Elizabeth, of Durham called on Mr. and Mrs. John S. Jenkins recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Glidden’s beautiful angora cat “Fluff,” sickened and died a few days ago. These affectionate, intelligent pets seem quite like one of the family, after we have had them with us several years, and when we lose them it is a real grief.

Miss Malice Clement, who is employed at Dan Plummer’s, is passing two weeks vacation with her mother in Newmarket.

We are having such lovely days! Our first real frost came Sunday night, followed by another Monday night, now it is bright and balmy.

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The many friends of Arioch W. Griffiths will be pleased to learn that he has returned to his home at Packer's Falls, from the Wentworth hospital, where he has been for surgical treatment, and is getting along nicely.

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Mr. and Mrs. William Lee are passing their vacation with friends in New York, Pennsylvania and several other places.

John Conlon is digging a well on the Connor place at Wadley's Falls.

Mrs. Walter Wellington, who has been confined to the house since February, had a very ill turn last week, which has put her in bed again. She has the sympathy of all who know of her long, tedious illness.

Miss Edith Dockum of Newmarket and Harvey Small of Durham were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Oldham at Maplewood last Sunday.

Josiah D. Thompson came from Exeter last Thursday for a brief visit with his brother, William O. Thompson, at Riverside Farm. Friday he came to Pine Row to pass his seventy-third anniversary, Saturday, with Mrs. Thompson, returning to Exeter Monday. Friends extend congratulations and wish him many years of health and happiness.

“Aunt” Nancy Pendergast, who has summered for twenty-five years at Elm Rest, returned to her home in Somerville, Mass., last week.

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Israel Chesley of Minneapolis, Minn., visited over Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Irving Chesley at The Elms, and is this week the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George I. Chesley.

F. Carl York had business in Boston this week.

Miss Mabel Annetta Atwell of Hebronville, Mass., and Frank Hutcherson Hill of Durham were married Wednesday evening, Oct. 21, at the Methodist Episcopal church, Hebronville, Mass. Mr. Hill, although his home is in Durham, has always attended church and all social functions in Lee, and his many friends here extend congratulations and wish for him many years of health, happiness and prosperity.

Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Carlton of Lynn, Mass., have recently visited with Mr. and Mrs. Albert D. Wiggin at Willow Homestead. They also extended their visit to friends in Dover, Newmarket and Raymond.

There will be a course of lectures presented under the auspices of the church. It is expected the first one will be early in November.

Mrs. Guy Glidden is visiting with her mother in Derry for awhile.
Don't forget to attend the harvest supper at Grange hall, if you want a real good time, this (Friday) evening.

Mrs. Mary V. Locke of Rye is now the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John S. Jenkins.

Charles P. Young, on the Newmarket road, seems to be the general utility man in this vicinity, his forte to help where others fail. They have had trouble with their water system at Howard Glidden's and could find no one who could find out where it laid, but Mr. Young quickly located and remedied the trouble.

Mrs. Ora Howard of New York city has purchased Susan Dow's place on the "Mast" road, and is having improvements made. In the spring she intends to have it enlarged, repaired, and the grounds graded and beautified. She will probably use it for a summer home. It will be called "Suzanne Cottage."

Arthur E. Thompson is passing a week with friends in Melrose, Mass., he will also visit Boston during his absence.

Charles Chesley, who was brought here for burial last week, was born in Lee thirty-five years ago, the son of George S. and Sarah F. Chesley. It may be remembered that his father was killed by lightning thirty years ago. His mother, Mrs. S. F. Colomy, is still living, she resides in Newmarket. He also is survived by a widow, three sisters, and one brother. Mr. Chesley lived in Lynn, Mass., where his widow still resides. From close attention to business, and over-taxation, he became a sufferer from mental aberration about four years ago, and was taken to Danvers asylum for treatment, where he remained until his death. Mr. Chesley was a smart, ambitious, diligent young man of good habits, and it seems so sad that he should be so afflicted in the prime of his manhood.

"With silence only as their benediction,
God's angels come
Where in the shadow of a great affliction
The soul sits dumb."
October 30, 1908

Like stone that skims the water o’er,
Then sinks from view afar from shore,
The saucy squirrel skips the rail,
His tail upholstered like a sail;
Yet, while you watch, he sight defies,
And vanishes before our eyes.

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Miss Margie Mannock of Maine is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Randall.

George James has recently dug a well, which produces a copious supply of water.

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Fred B. York passed a few days in Dover the first of the week.

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We were favored Monday evening by a copious and much-needed rain. Many ponds and wells are dry and others very low. We understand two and a half inches of rain fell.

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The election Tuesday was well attended and the largest vote polled was one hundred and twenty-seven. For Taft and Sherman electors, seventy, Bryan and Kern electors, fifty-seven. Lewis H. Snell, r., representative, Charles A. Fernald, d., Wills P. Tuttle, d., Walter W. Jones, r., supervisors, Benton E. Layne, d., moderator.

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There will be a concert at Grange hall under the auspices of the church Friday evening, Nov. 27. Miss Edith Ball of Rochester, soloist, pianist and violinist, will take the leading part. Mrs. Anna (Glidden) Weeks, a native of this town, will be one of the artists; also her son, Albion Weeks, with Miss Ball will render a violin duet. There will also be readings.

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We are having our first real snow storm at this writing (Wednesday), the snow is falling so silently and so gently, and the earth is carpeted in pure whiteness, but as the thermometer only registers 28° it may turn to rain, which is very much needed, before the ground freezes up, as wells and ponds are still very low.
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Mrs. Herbert E. Thompson and little daughter, Caroline, of Richmond, Me., former residents, visited recently with Mr. and Mrs. George P. James.

Rev. G.E. Kinney went to Rochester Monday to attend the ministers' association of Dover and vicinity, which met with the Baptist church there.

James Lee is painfully ill of acute inflammation of the kidneys. Dr. Grant of Durham is in attendance.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Manning and son, Master Frank, of Haverhill, Mass., made a week-end visit with their aunt, Mrs. R.P.D. Bennett, at Hill Crest.

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Mr. and Mrs. Frank Randall are entertaining Mrs. Randall's sister, Mrs. Mannock, of Maine.

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The Misses Hazel and Velma James visited with relatives in Haverhill, Mass., over Sunday.

Mrs. Mary A. York, Mrs. William McFarland, Walter I. York, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burleigh and Harold Bradley, all of Haverhill, Mass., visited with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel L. Burleigh this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred C. Durgin will entertain Mr. and Mrs. Gilman Y. Durgin, Miss Ethel H. Durgin, Mr. and Mrs. G.E. Chesley, Miss Mary A. Chesley, Thomas Chesley and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McDaniel at Brookdale Farm Thanksgiving Day.

Miss Ethel Durgin, teaching in Barrington, is enjoying a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Gilman Y. Durgin, at Glenmere.

The second lecture in the course will be a stereopticon, "Washing, the Beautiful Capital of a Great Nation," delivered by Prof. G.N. Cross of Exeter, Dec. 2.

The Misses Martha Walker of Newmarket and Alice Morse of Boston visited Monday with Mrs. James B.C. Walker at Daniel E. Plummer's.

Miss Nellie Wiggin, teaching at Hollis, Me., is passing the two weeks' vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A.D. Wiggin, at Willow Homestead, a few days of which will be spent with friends in Epping.

Miss Mary B. York is having her barn covered with steel roofing. Simeon C. Hardy has charge of the work.

James B.C. Walker has moved his mill to Pembroke, where he is operating at present.

Albert D. Wiggin and daughter, Miss Nellie, will dine with friends in Epping Thanksgiving Day.

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Miss Jennie Farwell closed her school in Madbury last Friday for two weeks’ vacation, part of which accompanied by her little sister, Miss Hazel Dearborn, she will pass with friends in Wolfeboro.

The second number in the Lee Chapel Lecture Course was given Wednesday evening by Prof. George N. Cross of Cambridge, Mass., upon “Washington, the Beautiful Capital of a Great Nation.” A large and appreciative audience listened to the eloquent description of the gem of American cities, profusely illustrated by rare colored slides projected upon the screen. The committee in charge expresses its pleasure that so many of the pupils in the schools are accepting the opportunity offered them of attending, without cost, the interesting and instructive lectures. The next lecture will be given by Prof. Cross on Dec. 15. Topic, “Beautiful New Hampshire.”

Mrs. Elizabeth (Chesley) Pike died of senile decay at the home of her nephew, Monroe Berry, in Everett, Mass., Nov. 27, aged ninety-one years and seven months. She was a native of this town, being the last one of the large family of the late Elder Israel Chesley. She was twice married, first, to Luther Merrill, by whom she had one son, who has been dead a number of years. Her second husband was Elder John Pike of Newburyport, Mass., who died several years ago. Since her second widowhood she has lived part of the time at her old home, now owned and occupied by Irving Chesley. Interment was in Newburyport with her husband and son. Mrs. Pike was a calm, pleasant, Christian lady, who was loved and respected by all who knew her. “Blessed are the dead which die in the Lord from henceforth; Yea, saith the Spirit, that they may rest from their labours; and their works do follow them.” ANON.
Manly Barber of North Attleboro, Mass., passed a day last week with John W. Webb.

Mrs. Charles Wentworth of Durham visited over night with Miss Rena Young last Thursday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Young, on the Newmarket road.

Little Miss Marion Walker is afflicted by whooping cough.

Don't forget the lecture next Tuesday evening, which will also be by Prof. G. N. Cross of Exeter, and will be illustrated by stereopticon, on "Beautiful New Hampshire."

James Lee, who has been so painfully ill, is rapidly recovering.

Capt. John Demerritt and sister, Miss Jennie, of Madbury called at Walnut Avenue Farms Wednesday of last week.

Eugene Colie had business in Dover Tuesday.

Frank Lawrence of Chicago, Ill., a native and former resident of this town, has recently presented to the Sunday School library several books, written by Winston Churchill.

Master Nelson Kinney is restricted to the house by a severe cold.

James Manning, employed by Mrs. E. P. D. Bennett, returned Wednesday from Exeter, where he has been for a week past.

Mrs. R. P. D. Bennett and Mrs. Fred B. York returned Wednesday from a week's stay in Boston.

Miss Carrie Bartlett visited her sister, Miss Mollie, at the Wentworth Hospital in Dover Saturday and found her well started on the road to recovery.

Many of our townspeople saw and enjoyed the drama, "How Uncle Nathan Lost His Farm," at Newmarket last week.

Simeon C. Hardy and helpers are engaged in shingling the house at Nutwood Farm.

Sunday morning was the coldest yet; the thermometer registered zero weather. Quite a noticeable change after our beautiful Indian summer days.

The following officers of Jeremiah Smith Grange were elected Tuesday evening: Master, Frank I. Caldwell; Overseer, Frank Sewall; Lecturer, George A. Dudley; Steward, Fred Coffin; Assistant Steward, Roland W. Thompson; Chaplain, Geo. E. Kinney; Treasurer, Ben F. Davis; Secretary, Grace B. Dudley; Gate Keeper, Ernest Mentor; Ceres, Mary E. Caldwell; Pomona, Nettie Cohen, Flora, Ethel I. Davis; Lady Assistant Steward, Flora A. Wellington; Choister, George E. Kinney; Pianist, Ethel H. Durgin.

Fred B. York made a business trip to Dover Tuesday.

Hearing that Burleigh Keniston shot two deer last week reminds us that it is lawful again to wound and kill those beautiful, graceful, harmless animals. We earnestly hope there may be humane men enough among the legislators, that will soon convene at Concord, to repeal this cruel law.
December 18, 1908

Our snowstorm of last Saturday gave us three days of inferior sleighing, but the warmth has made it a thing of the past.


Frank Dearborn has taken his hay press to Barnstead, where he has quite a contract to bale hay.

James Lee, who has been so painfully ill, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Daniel W. Burleigh returned Saturday from a few days' visit with relatives in Rye.

Mrs. Guy Glidden, who has been in Derry nine weeks, has returned to her home.

Mrs. Harriet Wilson of Deerfield, a former resident, recently sustained a fall, fracturing two or three ribs and injuring her otherwise. As she is eighty-five years of age, it is feared it may prove serious.

The church and grange have decided to join forces and have a Christmas tree Thursday evening, Dec. 24, in Grange Hall. It is hoped everyone, especially the children, will be present.

Miss Helen Thompson, teacher in the South Side schools, visited the Dover schools Monday.

Mrs. Blanche Learnard has recently passed a few days in Boston and Lynn, Mass.

Mrs. Josephine Pendergast and son, Ora, have been in Boston during the past week.

Mr. and Mrs. George Bixby drove from Haverhill, Mass., Sunday to George E. Chesley's. Mr. Bixby returned the same day, leaving Mrs. Bixby until Tuesday.

Miss Winnie Chesley has been in Boston and vicinity this week.

Quite a number of the members of Jeremiah Smith grange went to Portsmouth to attend the State Grange, which was in session there Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Mrs. Mabel Glidden is in Lynn, Mass., for a few days.

The illustrated lecture, "Beautiful New Hampshire," delivered by Prof. G. N. Cross Tuesday evening, was well attended and very much enjoyed. The beauty and grandeur of the scenery in our own state, "The Switzerland of America," cannot be surpassed in the whole world. The next lecture will be early in January.

Mrs. Fred B. York went to Dover Wednesday to remain a few days with friends.

Al Tuttle of Durham was in town Tuesday evening.

Rev. and Mrs. G. E. Kinney went Thursday to meet with the Congregational Club at Hotel Whittier in Hampton.
December 25, 1908

The snowfall of last Friday has restored our sleighing and we are once more enabled to glide along accompanied by the merry jingle of sleighbells.

Albert Dudley came from Dartmouth College Monday evening and will remain with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Dudley, at Wayside Farms, until Jan. 7. His sister, Miss Marion, of Dover High School, is also at home for two weeks' vacation.

Mrs. Josephine Ladd and little son, Carl, of Epping, accompanied by a friend, visited Sunday with Mrs. Ladd's mother, Mrs. Nellie C. Thompson, at Walnut Grove.

Chicken-pox is quite prevalent among the children in the "Hook," several families being afflicted.

Miss Mary A. Chesley, accompanied by an associate teacher at Thetford, Vt., came Monday evening to pass the holiday vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Chesley. Miss Georgia Chesley of Haverhill, Mass., has also been a guest at the Chesley homestead this week.

Mrs. Nellie C. Thompson and Miss Lizzie L. Thompson drove to Dover Tuesday.

Mrs. C. E. Mathes, Mrs. Robert G. Bennett and Mrs. Charles Pendergast of Newmarket passed the day last Thursday with Mrs. R. P. D. Bennett at Hill Crest.

Mr. and Mrs. William Philbrick of Exeter called on Mr. and Mrs. Chester Atherton at Nutwood Farms Sunday.

Perley Young, on the Newmarket road, started Monday on a trip through the northern part of the state. He expects to be away a week.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Snell had business in Dover Tuesday.

Charles Seavey of North Hampton was in town Saturday looking for cows. He purchased three cows and two calves of Fred B. York, and two cows of Perley Young, on the Newmarket road.

Alphonso Jones was in Dover Monday.
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"Drop a word of cheer and kindness—
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