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## BUSINESS MEETING.

The question was raised whether it would not be a good plan to buy a few more cows and make butter for our own use instead of buying it. If we are going to lay out money for one or the other, we should save in the end by buying cows. We want to take that course which will give us the most money next August. A strong committee was chosen to consider this question; Messrs. Woolworth, Thacker, T. R. Noyes, Kinsley, J. H. Barron, Mrs. H. C. Noyes and Mrs. Harriet Kinsley. They will also consider the appointment of some one to Mr. Kellogg's place who wishes to be relieved.

Persons who go abroad to make purchases should hand in a bill promptly at the Office. There are suspicions that outsiders have bought things in our name, which circumstance will be looked into.

G. W. Hamilton reports that he went to Titusville and bought a boiler and engine for the Fruit department, of ten horse power. He expects it will be here this week.

Messrs. G. W. Hamilton, Joel Higgins, Burt, Woolworth, Thacker, Kinsley, Hatch and Theodore, were appointed committee to consider the appropriation of help to the Trap-shop. They will also select some

one to work with Mr. Thayer in the Garden. There is no one to take his place, should he be called away, hired men having received the education which should have been given to some of our own folks.

The appointment of Mr. Burnham to the Bag-shop to help close the business was unanimously endorsed.

While at work on the lawn near the north gate Mr. Nash saw two men in the road in front of the large barn apparently engaged in a back-hold wrestle; he soon discovered they were fighting and called to Mr. Woolworth and Alfred Barron who went with him to the scene of action. On inquiring into the affair they found things situated about like this: the immediate attacking party was one Coloway in our employ and the party attacked Byron Olmstead. Mr. Coloway stated that he had been obliged to take his boy out of school because he was so teased and tormented by this young Olmstead; also, Byron had not unfrequently indulged in stoning Mr. Coloway's outbuildings; taking it altogether Coloway had come to a spot where he could endure it no longer and therefore had lain in wait for Byron to pass the barn in returning from school and made a rush at him with a pitchfork.

Mr. Coloway will be discharged at once.

What a gift is presence of mind! Last night as

G. R. K. was discharging his load of flour at the south door of the bakery, he stood at the back end of the wagon with a barrel poised, when suddenly the endboard on which his foot rested gave way, and—he found himself on the ground. He knew the barrel would follow and remembered that falling bodies descend at the rate of 16 feet the first second; getting up was not to be thought of—the barrel was already falling—a quick roll to one side—and plump came the 212 lbs. at the safe distance of three inches from his twenty-four ribs, which, had it not been for his rather brief calculation, would in all probability have suffered incalculably.

Mr. Thacker spent most of the day yesterday in locating ditches on the Hitchcock farm. He laid out 147 rods, and two hired men commenced ditching. This work is preparatory to raising sweet corn on that place.—Two bired men are sawing wood by horse power.—S. W. Nash was busy yesterday in strewing ashes on the lawn.—Frederic is making preparation to begin the work of trimming apple trees.

There is a poster at the head of the main entry-way stairs inviting all who can to come and split wood near the building back of the Tontine.

When Mr. Clark left the Foundry there seemed to be no one to take his place; Mr. Kinsley with his

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other cares took it until some one else could be provided. After consultation Abram has been selected and invited to take this responsibility. This is something new for him, but he takes it willingly and we judge he is glad of the change.

W. P. March 16.—T. R. Noyes is one of the "greasy mechanics." He works in the Factory forenoons inspecting traps.

A lot of 5,000 No. 0 traps are receiving finishing touches.

The W. P. family proper, now numbers thirty-five members.

Miss Portia reports they have had their first school in the new room and are pleased with their accommodations; it is a larger room, is lighter, and has also, in the minds of the children, another superior quality, it is new.

George E. is dressed to-day for the first time; he walked from his bedroom in the vestibule, through the sitting-room into Mrs. Skinner's room in the Tower.

We hear that Mrs. S. K. Dunn has arrived. She spent the night at W. P. and came over this morning.

Traps ordered since last reported 55½ doz.