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There seems to be considerable quilting going on among the in-door folks now-a-days. We heard of two quilts under way yesterday. According to our observation these quilting parties are generally ended with a supper, rather more select than the general course, to which a suitable number of the brethren are invited. The event is thus made memorable for a season, and the recipient of the quilt has the satisfaction of receiving with it a pleasant portion of the Community spirit.

Myron went to Boonville on Monday and sold about \$700 worth of bags. We have the unusual good luck to have a full assortment of bags on hand to fill the whole order. Heretofore, in the case of nearly every order, large or small, a portion of the bags ordered would have to be manufactured before the order could

be filled. This is the largest order we have ever had.

This week's CIRCULAR was highly commended in the meeting last evening. Much satisfaction was especially expressed with Mr. Noyes two articles, and the editorial on the "Highland Penny". Mr. Hamilton said he had wanted this last subject touched upon in the paper for some time. The whole paper is very interesting.

The bag-bees were resumed yesterday. The recent large orders are encouraging indications of increased activity in the bag trade.

Mr. Cragin gave a report of his journey, last evening, and of the proposal of Mr. Noyes to get the old horse barn ready to start the store by the 1st of April. This proposal was received with enthusiasm by the family, and we shall move forward at once to prepare the building for that purpose. The committee to decide on its location met this morning, and all present were in favor of letting the building remain where it now is.— It will be more convenient, in many respects, in its present location; some expense will be saved by not moving it; it will obstruct the view of some scenery from the portico, but less pleasant scenery than it would hide if moved further towards the present horse barn, and if finished up in good style, it will be an attractive feature in itself. Being so near it will probably be the means of relieving us of some of the freight that is now unloaded at our front door, and possibly it may eventually be found desirable to remove the present business-office to that building.

It is remarked that the health of the Community was never better than it is this winter. Colds, the common complaints of winter, are but little known. The children share in this general healthfulness, and present rosy-cheeked evidences, of their good condition.

This improvement and buoyancy of Community health is due we believe to the departure from among us of obstructing elements, and the growing state of unity that is prevailing.

We are conscious of a decided improvement in the spiritual atmosphere since the sincere clearing by the family, the other evening, of all sympathy with the unbelieving and disorganizing spirits that have left us.

The farmers dispatched their last load of barley to Utica to-day. The amount sold will measure about a thousand bushels. On Monday as the teams were returning home, some of the teamsters got into a strife of running by each other. One of them run his wagon off the side of the road, and got seriously hurt. He was taken up insensible, and remained so for eight or ten hours. He was cut and brusied considerably about the head and face. The doctor, however, says his skull is uninjured, and he will proabbly soon recover.

This winter is remarkable for its sudden and extreme changes, as well as for the small amount of snow that has fallen. Days of springlike mildness are succeeded by others with all the snap of winter in them, and these again by others sunny and pleasant. On the whole we

enjoy the freaks of the season, with a considerable degree of satisfaction. The teamsters would like more snow, but on the other hand the skaters probably would not. The children find abundant enjoyment on the hillsides, and drink in some health and hardihood from their out-door sports every day.