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W. P., MARCH 13.—“Come! see the procession!” called some one just about dinner time. We ran to the door and there was a procession sure enough. Six teams well laden with the cargo of our ship from W. C. As they filed slowly up the hill, we watched with anxious eyes the four horse team which led the way. The road was terrible, the load top-heavy and we were saying, “If that team goes through safely, the rest surely will,” when over it went and out went the contents into the snow. Some of the men went to the rescue, and very soon the line proceeded on its homeward way. We are glad to learn that nothing was injured and that they all reached home without any more adventures.

Mr. Campbell and Myron were suddenly called to the upper dam this afternoon. The water had risen two feet within an hour; the ice was blocking up and there was a prospect that something was going to happen. They went up there with ropes and pike-poles and found a great cake of ice three or four feet thick projecting some fifteen feet over the dam. The danger was that if this went off it would raise the bridge. They worked at it breaking it away sufficiently to remove all present danger. To night Myron says every thing is doing well.

George Miller has gone into the inspecting room; he is to reside in our family. We number at present 33.

Mr. Whitney's Arithmetic class closed Wednesday evening. Several expressed themselves as having enjoyed the class and highly appreciating the opportunity they had had to increase their knowledge of this science. A hearty vote of thanks was tendered Mr. W. accompanied with cheers. He has proved a most excellent teacher. At this point butternuts were called for, and

Soon the hammers began to ring,
Amid the mirthful prattle ;
And shells flew thick : on every side
Sped *kernels*. Was it battle ?

After a merry time we went to the reading, feeling it good to cultivate friendship. A MEMBER.

Theodore, W. H. W., H. C. N. and one or two others put their heads together and plotted not how they might best weed out the onions, but by what means every cabbage at O. C could be up-rooted. After due deliberation they unanimously decided to make a different arrangement of seats in the Hall. They were successful in making an entirely new disposition of tables, benches and chairs, grouping them round the room and leaving an open space near the center.

We think this style is more conducive to the home feeling, and expect we shall all like it when we get a little wonted.

An interesting letter was received a few days since from Mrs. Blood. She is living with and caring for Mr. B.'s step-mother. She says she feels it a special providence that she does not have to live with him. The letter is written in a good, courageous spirit; near the close she says, "I cannot say half I would like to, but this much I will say; my faith is strong in Mr. Noyes and the Community. If I had been a disbeliever when I left you, I have seen enough to convert me since I came here."

We heard Theodore asking Tirzah if they were not going to have some "medicated" before long. To the uninitiated this had a sound somewhat mysterious. It was something about which all those coming from W. C. seemed to have the most perfect understanding, and we were not permitted to remain long in ignorance. After meeting they had their "medicated," (known by common minds as sweetened water) and played "froggy" and "old mother Grimes," at the request of some here who had never seen these games. Some were even prevailed upon "to weave" for our amusement.

We very much admire the freedom and simplicity of the Wallingfordians and hope it will be contagious.

Jesse Dillon, of Boynton, Ill., had a small bill of traps of us; he writes about the cost of getting them and says, "however I gess its as cheep as I could get traps here any way I am very well Pleased with them the little girles had A fine Play with those little traps and got thare fingers Pinched till they holerd good for help."

Mrs. Langstaff and Eliza are busy in unpacking and disposing of the bedding and bureaus that came from W. C. At most any time during the day Eliza may be seen carrying rocking-chairs, stand-spreads, bedquilts, or something wherewith to furnish and make comfortable somebody's bedroom.

Several of the W. C. folks have taken an Oneida cold. Mrs. Skinner, Theodore, Consuelo and Tirzah are afflicted in this way. Mrs. Skinner kept her room yesterday, but we trust she will soon recover.

Two hired men were engaged yesterday in laying the plank and tile about the steam pipe, and this morning they are filling the dirt back into the ditch. May it remain there for at least six weeks to come!

Ransom witnessing the men's operations from the window exclaimed, "That's a dirty job."

Thursday, Homer spent the day roaming about the country in search of butter. His search was not altogether fruitless for he purchased something over 100 lbs., paying forty-five cts. per pound.

The girls at the Office say there has not been such a dearth of business since they have been in the book-keeping as at present. Carrie did not unlock the safe yesterday—not any money paid out, nor any taken in.

Mrs. Jones is here on a visit; she came yesterday and Emma says she expects to leave to-day.