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THURSDAY.

### YESTERDAY'S ITEMS.

In the afternoon we had a number of splendid showers, which have given the ground quite a soaking. The fruit-men rejoice, for the berries were beginning to dry up, and we hear no complaints from the hay-makers.

The wheat is now ready to harvest, and will be attended to as soon as the weather will permit.

A very large bee was called out this morning by the band to pick raspberries. The family seemed to have lost none of their enthusiasm after a respite of a few days. There has been a real inspiration attending these bees, and every one has enjoyed them and felt better for attending them.

H. E. A., E. H. and Mabel arrived in the afternoon. Charles arrived in the evening having been detained at Albany and Troy. They came up on the Troy boat, and on arriving at Albany, in having their baggage removed from the boat the Express bag from the Agency was overlooked and went on to Troy. Charles went after it, leaving the girls to come on alone.

The enrolling officer of the State militia has called for the names of our men between the ages of 18 and 45.—



The law requires an enrollment once every two years.

A young man named Griswold, formerly of Westmoreland, and an acquaintance of the Seymours, was here. He is now connected with the *Cincinnati Times*, and is the author of the articles which have been somewhat extensively copied "By Our Fat Contributor." He is an acquaintance of "A. Ward."

A large company of Germans were also here from Rome. Some of them could not speak English and it was amusing to see them gather in groups and hear them talk in what to us was an unknown tongue. Perhaps they were equally amused with our demonstrations.

About 500 cans of the peas which were put up according to Edgett's method of boiling but one hour after sealing, have spoiled. Luckily we had not many more to spoil.

Mr. Hall returned on Tuesday evening from a two day's peddling trip, having sold \$186 worth of goods.

1178 qts. of peas were preserved. The method now pursued is to boil them from thirty to forty minutes before putting them into cans, and then boil them three hours after sealing. Nothing but pure water is used in the cans with the peas.

The talk by Mr. Noyes on "Life compared to a Tube" was received, and read in meeting, and followed by expressions of sympathy.

We have not had so many visitors this week as last.—Yesterday, however, we furnished 28 dinners.



## TO-DAY.

Gravel is being drawn for the patent walk from the house to the store.

The lawn in front of the house is being mown for the fourth time this season.

The fixtures at the store salesroom are finished and painted, and Mr. Aiken has moved in his goods. The room is a fine one for the purpose, large and light.—The shoe department is to be moved into the lower story of the north wing.

We are having a cool, breezy day. This morning the thermometer stood at 58. We notice that subtle feeling in the atmosphere, that peculiar aspect of the landscape, that fullness and depth of color in the forest foliage which mark the culmination of the season. We note that this turning point of the season takes place in this latitude somewhere between the 15th and 25th of July. Generally there comes a shower or heavy rain, after long hot days ; we go to bed with all the summer magnetism thrilling us. We wake in the morning apparently in a different season. Summer has begun to recede, and the year begins to pass toward the more sober and fruitful days of Autumn. We may have hot days afterward, far on into September, yet to him who studies the finer phases of the season, such days will be quite different from those of equal temperature that came before this culminating point.



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*Thermometer, July 18.*

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