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WILLOW-PLACE ITEMS.

Mr. Dunning of Willow-Place has drawn an outline plan, of an addition to the Boarding-House, which he thinks necessary for the accommodation of the employees at the Shops there.—It is a plan for placing **a** wing next the kitchen to extend west fifty feet, and be twenty-five feet in width for a dining-room, having **a** basement, wash-room and sitting-room for the men.

Over the dining-room he proposes bed-rooms, as more facilities for lodging are needed.—Last fal. in our hurry there, some twenty had to be lodged out at the neighbors.—Mr. Cragin has interested himself in having some kind of assembly room or chapel, where meetings could be held with all the hands occasionally, or for evening schools and lectures. He considers that object his pet, next to the children's new house.

Some think Mr. Dunning's plan would answer the purpose as the large dining-room might be used for meetings as well. M. L. W.

SILK-DEP.—Four girls were hired at the Castle yesterday, for the Silk-department. Our painter Mr. Austin is to bring them up to the Shop every morning, and carry them back at night, for \$4.00 per week.

L. F. Dunn is engaged in perfecting the measuring machine used in spooling silk. The machine at present does not work well with white Twist, and it is in regard to this difficulty Mr. D's attention is chiefly directed.

The first lot of drab Twist was received from the Dye-house yesterday.

FINISHING-DEP.—The group of quandam pan riveters are now scattered about the shop. Mr. Delatre runs a Press, O. H. M. the Drop, Mr. J. Kinsley a lathe, Mr. Kellogg a milling machine, Mr. Jones a riveting vise, &c., &c.

The O. C. Saw-mill is kept running now night and day. The great number of logs in the mill-yard—our own and our neighbors, crowding it full—and the demand for lumber necessitating this extraordinary effort

Daniel Knowles and a hired man alternate in keeping the mill vibrating. Each work half the day and half the night.

BAG-SHOP ITEMS.

We have plenty of business on hand. Our orders come in much faster than we can fill them. We have had since March 1st thirty orders including O. C. Agency order for $40\frac{1}{2}$ doz. Of these but nine have been filled, the most of them having been received (many of them through our Agents) within the last five days. With our improved arrangements, and the

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general enthusiasm manifested by those who work here, we expect to be able to fill our orders pretty promptly. We have at present five men and six women of our own family, and nine hired men and eight women. N.

Changes seem to be the fashion now-a-days. Just as our Bag-orders began to press in upon us, there was a sudden demand for more room. The men were crowded, the hired girls were crowded. Something must be done. It was proposed, at length, to remove the partition between the men's room and our women's, thus allowing the men the entire room to themselves, and that the hired girls should be moved into the room back of the one they had occupied, giving them too, more ample accommodations, and that our women should take their room, which, with the addition of the bed-room, it was thought, would make a pleasant place for our work.

This plan being acceeded to, we had a merry bee to clean the room, without disturbing the hired girls, who kept busily at work, as though nothing had happened. With the assistance of A. and H. in taking down partitions, and the prompt and energetic action of C. E. and M. all were nicely settled the next afternoon, and ready to commence work with renewed zeal and energy. One of the hired girls said, "You Community folks get up a bee and carry things along, no matter how great, and you all seem so harmonious too." **B. H.**

A letter was received yesterday from a young man, a German, by the name of William Weber, of New-York City. He had heard of the Community through Mr. Bloom-had read "Salvation from Sin," which Mr. B. gave him, and is now reading the "Berean." He expresses himself as intensely interested. He says he has confessed Christ, and though he feels weak, yet he hopes to gain strength.

Little Eugene has had rather a hard time with the chicken-pox, but is getting better now. All the children that had not previously had the disease, have had it, with the exception of Virginia, who for some cause seems impervious to it. We hope the time is not distant, when we shall not be subject to the plagues of the outer world—when we shall surround ourselves with an atmosphere that Satan's spirit cannot penetrate.

Traps ordered the past week,1142 doz.The principal orders were—Jacob Underhill & Co., tor Oregon,40 "A. F. Shapleigh & Co., St. Louis,20 "51½ doz. of the above were large traps.

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H. W. Burnham came yesterday afternoon.

Yesterday's temperature --7 A. M., 16. 12-M., 26. 6 P. M., 23. Mean 212.