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MARCH.

The fermentative days have come;
All nature out of gear;
Blows and commotions everywhere,
'Tis cheerless, chill and drear.

We call it spring! What's in a name?
Sage Shakespeare could not tell.
A blizzard blowing fiend doth reign:
This fact we know full well.

Displacer of stern winter's rule,
Routing the snow and ice,
Both using and abusing them
With devilish device.

And should they chance to disappear
In vernal, warming thaws,
Presto! he calls them back, nor deigns
A reason or a cause.

The terror of the vernal year,
Is this destructive king,
Who giveth winds high carnival,
And makes a jest of spring.

Yet out of chaos order comes;
No change occurs in vain,
And gentler April's fitful moods
T'rough born in throes of pain;

Give birth in turn to genial May,
Bright laughing happy May,
Wherein the resurrected earth
Her mysteries display.

As harrow to unyielding soil,
As leaven unto bread,
So is this fermentative month
Which fills the world with dread.

ANNA HUBBARD MERCUR.

ICE AND COLD STORAGE.

A Fine Large Plant Now Being Operated in Our Village.

The cold storage and ice making plant that has been in course of construction in the village during the winter was completed last Wednesday, when it was started up, and is now running in good order. The machinery of the plant is located in the basement of the Department Store and consists of a Penney improved horizontal, double acting ammonia compressor with 6 1-2 inch bore and 12 inch stroke, driven by a twenty-five horse power electric motor; an ammonia condenser tank, six feet high and four feet in diameter, containing about 700 hundred feet of extra heavy one-inch pipe in coils, which are kept full of cool running water while in operation; also an ice making tank with a capacity of 500 to 1000 lbs. of ice per day, in 75-lb. blocks.

The refrigeration is by direct expansion of the ammonia in the different cold storage rooms. There are twelve of these rooms located in different parts of the village. The Department Store has five, which in all contain over 1500 cubic feet of space. The Holly Inn has three, aggregating nearly 1000 cubic feet; the Carolina three containing nearly 1200 cubic feet; and the Berkshire one, of a little over 100 cubic feet, making a total for the village of nearly 4000 cubic feet of refrigerating space.

These refrigerating rooms at the several hotels are connected with the machinery in the basement of the store by ammonia distributing mains of extra strong pipe, about 5000 feet of which is required for this alone.

The machine is charged with 400 lbs. of ammonia which is introduced into the evaporating coils in liquid form, where a pressure of less than fifteen pounds is maintained. It boils at a very low temperature—from 28 below to 15 above—absorbing the heat from the refrigerating rooms and passing to a gaseous form. It is then conveyed to the compressor where it is given a pressure of 150 to 200 lbs. per square inch and forced into the condenser, when by the action of cold water and the above pressure it returns to a liquid form and is ready to use again. The machine has a capacity of ten tons refrigeration in twenty-four hours, or equal to the melting of ten tons of ice in that time.

The refrigerating rooms are so arranged that they may be run collectively, or independently at different tempera-



tures, from 40 to 15 degrees Fahrenheit. Thus the several rooms in the hotels and store may be kept at different temperatures for the different articles to be kept in them.

In the store three of the refrigerating rooms are located on the first floor at the rear of the grocery department. One of these rooms will be used for meats and other articles requiring a very low temperature. Another compartment will be used for butter, cheese and eggs, which require a little higher temperature, and the other room will contain the fish, etc. All the rooms on this floor will contain one day's supply only. In the basement are the two rooms for the reserve stock. In these rooms meats, fish and other perishable articles can be kept indefinitely, and a big stock will be kept constantly on hand. With these cold storage rooms it will now be possible to provide first class meats and fish at all times, regardless of the weather, and to keep enough on hand to make it impossible to ever run short.

The ice making plant has ample capacity for supplying the villagers with ice for private refrigerators and ice water.

But few places of many times the size of Pinehurst can boast of such excellent cold storage facilities. While the plant is a very expensive one, it is another example of the policy of the management of the village, which spares no trouble and well-being of our residents.

The machinery connected with the plant is from the factory of the Newburgh Ice Machine and Engine Co., at Newburgh, N. Y., and the plant was installed here under the supervision of Mr. J. L. Adams of Newburgh, N. Y.

Birthday Celebration.

Last Friday was the anniversary of the birth of Mr. W. A. Warden of Worcester, Mass., who is spending the winter with his family at Hawthorne cottage, and his many friends in the village deter-

We hope but half your race is run—
Just forty-eight before you're done—
Till you reach the river Jordan.

Too much to ask of cruel Fate,
Another lease of forty-eight?
No, there's naught too good for Warden.

WALTER H. PARCELS.

Yes, March is here, the second, too,
And now you see the reason,
Your host of friends in Pinehurst through
Rejoice with you this season.

SARAH L. DANIELS.

On March second Mr. Warden of Worcester town
Adds another star to his 'lustrous crown
At Pinehurst village in old N. C.,
The "bestest" place that he could be.

It's cold sometimes—then hot, you bet!
But what's the dif', Mr. Warden don't fret.
He's passed just enough of life this way
To demonstrate that fretting don't pay.

Long may he live and a lot of birthdays spend
At the Casino, where every guest's his friend,
He doesn't tell us how many he's passed,
Only—that he enjoyed the last.

We wish him joy through the rest of life
On his own account, as well for his good wife.
So here's "good luck" and many a pleasure
With every winter hereafter spent in Pinehurst
leisure.

CHARLES D. BENBOW.

Our friend, Mr. Warden from over the way,
They tell me is just forty-eight today.
Should his eyes ever wander over these lines
May he think of "The Magnolia" in the pines.

Please remember Mr. Balch and wife at croquet,
Misses Curtis and Fiske (who at other games
play);

Mrs. Smith you'll recall, who the bean bags did
make

For the whist at the hall when they served cream
and cake.

Mr. Curtis and wife of Montreal City,
To forget them would be a great pity.
Mrs. Plum the poetess, and Black the young man—
You'll think of these two whenever you can.

Now, we all extend to you and your wife
Our best wishes for a long happy life.
And remember at Pinehurst we met;
And many birthday gifts may you get.

THE MAGNOLIA.

An amusing feature of the occasion was a cartoon by Mr. Pringle, representing Mr. Warden and the other judges at the colored baby show held in the Village Hall a few weeks ago.

The whole celebration was well planned and carried out, and will long be pleasantly remembered by all who were present.

Trip to Thagards.

Last Monday a party of the Berkshire guests had a picnic at Thagards Mills, going over in the three-seated excursion wagon. The day was beautiful and all enjoyed rambling in the grove of grand old pines and about the shores of the beautiful little lake. The road to Thagards runs through an interesting country and trips to this place are very popular with our villagers. Included in the party were S. H. Goodwin and wife of Oneida, N. Y., Mrs. Eustice Cummings and Miss Ethel Cummings of Woburn, Mass., and Mrs. F. W. Jenkins of Cambridge, Mass. A number of other guests at the Berkshire are planning trips to the numerous places of interest near the village.

mined to make the day one to be pleasantly remembered by all. Preparations were accordingly made for a happy surprise, and when Mr. Warden advanced to his seat in the Casino at supper he found his chair tastefully decorated and on his plate a beautiful birthday cake adorned with candles.

A pleasing gift was a birthday book of choice poems containing the autographs and bits of sentiment from numerous friends in the village. After supper the party gathered in the Casino parlor and read the many friendly expressions contained in this volume, a few of which follow.

Thy natal sign is Pisces and it shows
A nature unadapted for repose.
If read aright, thou dearly lovest change
With information of extensive range.
We wish thee happiest returns today,
May flowers of friendship brighten all life's way

ANNA HUBBARD MERCUR.

Yes, "time and tide for no man wait,"
You've watched the years till forty-eight
Are gone, and numbered with the past.
We wonder what is the decree?
How many more remain for thee
To live before you reach the last?