THE KING OF ELMS.

Little Town of Wethersfield Boasts of Splendid Tree.

What is said to be the largest elm in New England and one of the greatest trees east of the Rocky Mountains is in the historic little town of Wethersfield, famed for its onion gardens and its prison. The elm stands on the lower end of the old town square, opposite the Smith house, still occupied by descendants of John Smith, who planted the tree over 170 years ago.

At the base where some of the massive roots, as they radiate from the trunk, protrude above the surface, the circumference is 55½ feet, while the main trunk above the ground is 22½ feet in circumference. According to Oliver Wendell Holmes' classification of elms, this would come easily within the first class, and with something to spare, for all elms with a girth of twenty feet a short distance above the ground he catalogued as of the first order of size. New England, with its multitude of great elms, can show few whose measurement from two to four feet above the surface will be twenty feet.

Four huge branches spring from the trunk of the Wetherfield tree. Each one of them would make a big tree in itself.

Copy of Bible of 1534.

An old German Bible, a copy of the one translated by Martin Luther in 1534, was purchased recently at a paltry price by a Seattle man from a stranded German sailor. The book is said to be of priceless value. The present owner is a reader of the Scriptures. He has been offered a large sum for the book, but refuses to part with it until he has read it through.

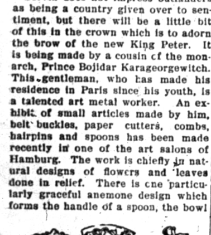
The volume was printed in Nuremberg in 1720. It is a foot thick, and is printed on very heavy paper. Despite its age it is well preserved and the type is as clear as if it had been set yesterday. The many illustrations splendidly made from old-fashioned wood-cuts, are copies of old paintings.

Odd Pets.

Though lizards have teeth the little saurians seldom attempt to bite and make interesting pets. This boy's mother decorated him with nineteen of them.

Art Work of a Prince.

Servia does not impress outlanders as being a country given over to sentiment, but there will be a little bit of this in the crown which is to adorn the brow of the new King Peter. It is being made by a cousin of the monarch, Prince Bojidar Karageorgewitch. This gentleman, who has made his residence in Paris since his youth, is a talented art metal worker. An exhibit of small articles made by him, belt buckles, paper cutters, combs, hairpins and spoons has been made recently in one of the art salons of Hamburg. The work is chiefly in natural designs of flowers and leaves done in relief. There is one particularly graceful anemone design which forms the handle of a spoon, the bowl



of another is a delicately worked leaf, and still another is in the form of a daisy, the foliage shown at the end of the handle.

Highest Waterfall in the World.

The highest known waterfall in the world was the Cerosola cascade, in the Alps, having a drop of 2,400 feet. But one in the San Cayatan canyon in the state of Durango, Mexico, now claims first place. It was discovered by some prospectors ten years ago in the great barranca district, which is called the Tierras Desconocidas. While searching for the famous lost mine Naranjal, a great roar of water was heard. With much difficulty the party pushed on and up and down the mighty chasm until they beheld the superb fall, which is said to be at least 3,000 feet high.

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UNITED PRESBYTERIAN—M. R. Maxwell, Pastor. Sabbath school at 2 p. m. Public worship and sermon at 3 p. m. C. E. U. each Thursday evening at 7:30. All invited.

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A hypocrite is a man dot says pleasant things about you to your face and calls him—unless he owes him a dollar.

Every man is my uddor man's equal

Right vell conkier vicket, but it has to call for der ambulance after der game.

You can do some of der people all der time, but vich you vas diddine dem vaders vas diddine you.

Der man der vater makes a hole in der ice, but you vas diddine dem vaders vas diddine you.

Never kick a man for calling you a donkey unless you are anxious to prove the truth of his assertion.

That woman iss yet to be born who would marry a man vich a bank sack for a seat in der back of her neighbor.

DINKELSPIELERS.

It is a mistake to keep out of the mule business because it is to get kicked.

Knocking a man down for calling you a liar doesn't disprove the allegation.

It is safer to keep out of the matrimonial business than it is to get in.

Doctor the vife of the Rabbi dey! It has a house but it never vas.

Dere vas a time when dey had no land a hundred than it is to keep him landed.

It's easier for the average woman to get married than it is to keep divorced.

Dere vas a first time for everything.

Johnny vatches a woman climb a fence square a monopoly ca a man's love by eating up.

It may be that matches are made only in heaven, because the fire never goes out in the other place.

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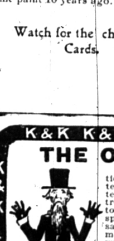

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