

1872 he ran against General Grant for the presidency of the United States, but was defeated.

**Page 31, l. 11. Wilson Flagg.** Wilson Flagg (1805-1884), an American naturalist, is best-known by his *Birds and Seasons of New England*.

**Page 32, l. 36. Pomona.** The Roman goddess of garden-fruits. She was usually pictured as holding in her hand a horn of fruits or wearing a wreath of them.

**Page 34, l. 20. Curzon.** Robert Curzon, fourteenth Baron de la Zouche (1810-1873), an English antiquarian who visited Egypt and Palestine to search through the old monastery libraries for ancient and interesting manuscripts. Later his researches led him to Albania and Constantinople. His account of these trips is a rather notable book entitled, *A Visit to the Monasteries in the Levant*, published in 1849.

#### A TASTE OF MAINE BIRCH

**Page 35, l. 3. pine-tree State.** A name commonly applied to the State of Maine. Do you know of any other popular name for Provinces or States?

**Page 35, l. 18. Gibbon.** Edward Gibbon (1737-1794) stands, perhaps, highest among English historians. He spent a great deal of his life on his *The Decline and Fall of the Roman Empire*. Speaking of Assyria he says: "The face of the country was interspersed with innumerable palm-trees; and the diligent natives celebrated, either in verse or prose, the three hundred and sixty uses to which the trunk, the branches, the leaves, the juice, and the fruit, were skilfully applied."

**Page 36, l. 4. Ask for its coat.** See *Matthew v, 40*.

**Page 37, l. 4. boil potatoes, etc.** Try folding a piece of writing paper into a little vessel and boiling water in it.

**Page 38, l. 3. a dug-out.** A boat made by shaping and hewing out a log.

**Page 38, l. 13. metaphorical backs.** They did not actually carry the canoe and its builder on their backs, but they took them along.

**Page 40, l. 25. the Revolution.** The American Revolution (1775-1783), which brought about the establishment of the United States of America.

**Page 40, l. 31. the divinity of Pleasant Pond.** Indian legends often associate good and bad spirits with particular lakes and rivers. Old Greek legends, also, speak of water nymphs, tree nymphs, etc.

**Page 45, l. 34. Adam's apple.** The prominence on the fore part of the throat, especially in men, so-called from the notion