

The Bulletin

Norwich, Friday, April 2, 1909.

VARIOUS MATTERS.

Tides were low, yesterday. It is daybreak now at 2.49. April's best moonlight nights are from the 1st to the 8th.

Dividends, falling due on Thursday were not April Fool's jokes!

The dogs will be concerned to know if their tags are on straight.

There were a number of driving parties on Thursday out after asparagus.

It has been a short week for the school pupils whose vacation ends with today.

The King's Daughters met on Sunday afternoon with Mrs. William Fitch at Norwich Town.

Thursday evening's weather was favorable to good attendance at the preparatory meetings to communion service on Sunday.

In several cities the G. A. R. will celebrate on the evening of April 9 the anniversary of the surrender of General Lee's army.

Grace Circle King's Daughters will hold a sale of aprons, cake and ice cream at the United Workers' rooms today from 2 to 7 p. m.—adv.

Jupiter continues to be the great planetary ornament of the evening sky, rising in the middle of the month between 2 and 3 p. m., and setting about 4 a. m.

Many persons who are preparing to plant shade trees this spring are said to have substituted maples for elms, because of the insect pests to which elms are subjected.

The government is preparing to send from its experimental farm near Arlington, just across the Potomac, the annual free distribution of 100,000 basket willow cuttings.

Several freight cars attached to a Central Vermont railroad switch engine were derailed Thursday morning while being hauled from Montville to the mills at Fairlee.

Additional notices have been received here calling attention to the national peace congress which is to be held in Chicago for three days in May, beginning with Monday the third.

Mrs. Katherine Bennett of New York city will give a reading at 8 o'clock this evening at the Central Baptist church. Admission, 25c—adv.

Mrs. Martha I. Marsh, a native of Litchfield and a former resident of Vernon, died suddenly of heart trouble in Manchester Tuesday. The funeral was held Thursday and burial was in North Coventry.

Mrs. Elizabeth Chadwick, widow of Dr. Griffin Ely, who died Monday at Lyme, leaves one son, Dr. J. G. Ely, and five daughters, Mrs. Nathaniel Hall of Preston, Misses Fannie, Lizzie and Mrs. William Marvin of Hamburg and Mrs. Gilbert Sterling of Windsor Locks.

The vestry of Trinity Episcopal church, Lenox, Mass., has called Rev. Arthur James Gamack, rector of Christ church, West Haven, as rector to succeed the Rev. Harold Arrow-smith, who resigned last December.

The Rev. Mr. Gamack is a native of Scotland, and was formerly rector at Calvary church, Colchester.

Thursday's New London Globe said: Philip C. Dunford today sold the schooner Sandy Hook to Jacob Ockman of Oakland, L. I. The Sandy Hook has been a well known craft in the harbor for the past 25 years, being engaged in carrying brick from the Fishers Island Brick Co.'s works. The vessel is 19 years old and was built on the Connecticut river.

Superior Court. In New London on Wednesday morning the Satter appeal from the decision of the county commissioners was continued and the arguments before Judge Wheeler reserved his decision.

In the afternoon the divorce case of Mary K. Metterscher vs. William Metterscher was finished, the parties having been heard last week. Two witnesses were called.

Court will come in this morning for the trial of the Health case.

Fellowship Meetings. The sermon on the morning service of the Congregational fellowship meeting at Myrtle, which commenced at 11 o'clock Wednesday, was preached by Rev. Edward S. Worcester, pastor of the Broadway Congregational church.

During the noon hour dinner was served by the women of the church to about 100 people. The afternoon session was on the subject, Undeveloped Resources of the Church, and was led by Colonel Brown of North Stonington. Others who took part in the meeting, speaking briefly on the subject, were Rev. George B. Stantford, Jr., of Myrtle; Rev. J. D. Barrows, Rev. George Burton Marston, of Stonington; Rev. Albert P. Earnshaw, pastor of the Myrtle Congregational church; Deacon E. P. Williams of the Road church and Deacon Russell Gallup of Ledyard.

Y. M. C. A. Athletics. The Academy class at the Y. M. C. A. gymnasium competed in the running high jump on Wednesday afternoon, in which W. Sullivan was the winner. The following were the results: Sullivan, 4.7 feet; 100 points; Bailey, 4.5 points; Perkins, 4.8, 84 points; Ricketts, 4.8, 86 points; Chas., 4.8, 92 points; Bruce, 4.0, 86 points; Smith, 2.8, 78 points.

On total points the standing now is: Ricketts 530, Bailey 528, Bruce 525, Sullivan 520, Perkins 522.

Held for Superior Court. Judah Buddington and Mrs. Ida Sherman of Ponquogue were arraigned Wednesday evening in the Groton town court before Assistant Judge A. B. Chester on the charge of having broken and entered one of the houses of Edward E. Spicer and taking away articles from the house. They were held for the superior court under \$500 bonds each.

John R. Pownell a Member. John R. Pownell of the class of 1892 at the Yale Law school was one of the 25 charter members of a chapter of Phi Alpha Delta instituted in New Haven on Thursday. President Clark has been taken as an honorary member of a chapter of the fraternity recently established at Georgetown university.

Park Commissioners Reappointed. William A. Norton and Henry F. Parker, whose terms as park commissioners of Mt. Ascutney park expire on April 15, were reappointed on Wednesday by mail that they had been reappointed by Mayor Lippitt.

PERSONAL.

Mrs. Everett B. Dawley is spending a few days in Bridgeport.

Miss Ethel D. Stillman has returned to Westbury after a visit with friends in this city.

Miss Susie Spicer of Simmons college, Boston, is spending the spring vacation at her home here.

Miss Spaulding of the Academy faculty is spending the spring vacation at her home in Woodstock.

Miss Gladys Letimer of Montville is spending the spring vacation with relatives in East Orange, N. J.

The condition of George Harris was reported as comfortable on Thursday, Dr. Harris stating that he was doing well.

William Skelton, who has been in the employ of John E. Fanning for several months, has left for his home in Massachusetts.

Mrs. M. S. Kaufman and Mrs. Costello Lippitt have gone to Pawtucket, R. I., to attend the sessions of the annual conference for two or three days.

Mrs. Bert Phillips of Mystic and Mrs. Orin Brown of Jewett City, and Miss Bertha Phillips of Lisbon spent Thursday with Mrs. D. J. Brown of Norwich.

Universalist Missions. What the Connecticut Womens Society Has Accomplished.

At the meeting of the Woman's Universalist Missionary society of Connecticut held in Hartford Wednesday afternoon the state president, Mrs. Emma J. Foster of Malden, Mass., said that there were 52,479 Universalist families in the United States, 225 parishes, 163 mission circles, 4,878 members of the association, which received \$2,315.64 from the interest on the permanent fund and from estates, which could be utilized for missionary work.

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Seriously Burned By Exploding Lamp

Mrs. Almado Elvo of Mechanic Street in Critical Condition at Backus Hospital—Husband Also Burned but Not Seriously.

Attracted by the screams of Mrs. Almado Elvo as she rushed out of her house on Mechanic street with her clothing all ablaze Thursday evening about 7 o'clock, Patrick J. Fitzgerald and Charles W. Church, two neighbors, grabbed her and tried to extinguish the flames. Mrs. Elvo, who had been in the kitchen, suffered extensive and serious burns about the body and both legs.

Mrs. Elvo, with her husband and two small children, both boys, lives at No. 28 Mechanic street, which is a double tenement dwelling. The second to the north of Givernaud Brothers' silk mill, where Mr. Elvo is employed as a h. p. er.

Thursday night, while preparing for supper Mrs. Elvo set a lamp upon the table in the front room, when it instantly exploded, scattering the burning oil over her and against the wall and on the carpet. The woman's clothes were in a blaze in a minute and the carpet and a couch took fire.

The woman screamed as she ran and tried to smother the fire in her wife's clothes with her hands, but she broke through the window, dashed out the front door shrieking, and making for the back yard, where there was a well.

The Fitzgerald family, living at No. 38, next door, was at the supper table and Mr. Fitzgerald, with his sons, John and William, rushed out to the rescue, and tried to smother the flames.

Mr. Elvo was taken to the hospital in the ambulance and her husband followed about 8.30 in a cab. From the hospital it was reported that Mrs. Elvo's injuries were serious, but the man was only burned slightly on the hands and forehead.

The two children were taken to the hospital, where they were cared for by relatives. The Fitzgerald family, living at No. 38, next door, was at the supper table and Mr. Fitzgerald, with his sons, John and William, rushed out to the rescue, and tried to smother the flames.

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Incidents in Society

Mrs. Clark Browning of Toledo, Ohio, is the guest of friends in town.

Mr. Love of Hartford has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Frank H. Smith of Washington street.

Miss Julia Smith of Westbury, R. I., is the guest of the Messrs. George of Peck street.

Mr. and Mrs. B. P. Bishop of Broadway attended the meeting of D. A. R. regents and delegates in Bristol on Wednesday.

Mrs. Ansel E. Beckwith and children, Henry and Charles, who have been the guests for several weeks of Mrs. Beckwith's mother, Mrs. Monahan of Syracuse, N. Y., have returned to Norwich.

SUDDEN DEATH OF GEORGE H. BRUCE. Taken With Shock at Dinner Table and Lived But Short Time.

George H. Bruce died suddenly Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at his home, 88 Broadway. Just as he was finishing dinner he had a shock and fell back in his chair. His son, Hillard Bruce, hurried across the street to the Geer building and came back with Dr. Harper, while Dr. Man-derson, the family physician, arrived a few minutes later at her office in the building, and immediately hastened up to the room where the stricken man, Mr. Bruce, however, was beyond the aid of medicine, and in less than five minutes he was dead.

Mr. Bruce had been a sufferer from heart trouble for a year or two, and for a number of years past his friends had noticed he was losing strength. He walked out regularly at his desk on pleasant days as a general thing, his son going with him, and yesterday morning he seemed to feel better than usual. He was walking to the business streets. The walk did not tire him, and upon getting home he remarked that the outing had, he thought, done him good.

Born in North Grovesendale January 1, 1847, Mr. Bruce was educated in that village and at Dudley Academy in Dudley, Mass. He held a clerical position with a Boston wholesale house in 1870-1, and in the latter year came to Norwich, where his father and James W. Baird had started a boot and shoe store to work for the firm of Bruce & Baird. Mr. Bruce remained with the Bairds until June 1, 1881, when he became bookkeeper and paymaster for C. B. Rogers & Co., succeeding Rufus M. Ladd, who had just died. Mr. Bruce remained with the Rogers people after the American Woolworking Machinery company in 1897 absorbed the Norwich concern, and was regularly at his desk until, in September, 1907, the local plant was removed to Rochester, N. Y. He did not feel strong enough to go with it, and during the past eighteen months had lived quietly at the home on Broadway to which he moved 27 years ago today.

Mr. Bruce was a member of Somerset lodge, No. 24, F. and A. M.; Franklin council, No. 8, R. and S. M.; U. C. C. lodge, No. 11, I. O. O. F., and Palmyra encampment, P. M. He joined Broadway Congregational church in 1871, and from 1883 until last January was organist at the Second church, Rev. P. C. Wright will preach. On Thursday evening there will be a service at Christ and Trinity Episcopal churches.

At Christ church, Monday morning, prayer at 10 a. m.; Tuesday evening, prayer at 8 p. m.; Wednesday morning, prayer at 10 a. m.; Thursday evening, prayer at 8 p. m.; Friday morning, prayer at 10 a. m.; Saturday, evening prayer at 8 p. m.

Trinity church, Monday evening, prayer at 8 p. m.; Tuesday, Holy Communion, 10 a. m.; Wednesday evening, prayer at 7.30 p. m.; Thursday, Holy Communion, 10 a. m.; Friday, morning prayer, 10 a. m.; Saturday, evening prayer at 8 p. m.

At the Universalist church, Rev. Joseph F. Cobb will on Monday morning preach on the subject, "The Power of Prayer." On Tuesday, April 5, at 7.30 p. m., there will be a roll call and celebration of the Lenten Supper. On Friday, April 9, at 4.30 p. m.,—teaching, A. Compromise with Conscience.

Case of Brown & Perkins vs. Main Will Go to Jury Today—Interesting Suit Followed by Many.

The common pleas court, with jury, was occupied all day Thursday in the trial of the case of Brown & Perkins vs. Main, the testimony being completed on Tuesday. The case will be made this morning, so that the case will reach the jury today.

D. G. Perkins was recalled to the stand on Tuesday evening to testify briefly cross-examined by Mr. Main, during which he received \$500 from Mr. Main. He also said he did not see how they lost the better case. In answer to Mr. Main, he said all a man is required to pay is 100 cents on a dollar.

Mayor Thayer was called by Mr. Shields, and said that the charges were very moderate. Mr. Main cross-examined him briefly. Attorney J. Desmond stated that the charges were low, and told Mr. Main there was a fee table by which the work was done. Mr. Main appeared for two men in the criminal court where both pleaded guilty. He told Mr. Main he got \$10 for a few minutes' work and in the alternative case on the trial he received \$275 from the state.

Judge Lucius Brown, when called, told of the firm's method of doing business. He was given a long cross-examination by Mr. Main. The bill for \$100