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LETTERS FROM TOWNS IN TWO STATES

The Business and Social Life of Every Town and Settlement Reflected in These Columns.

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

SALEM.

Orrin Avery to Move from Town—Many Attend Oyster Supper—Enjoyable Entertainment at the Grange

As a result of the recent fire which destroyed the home of Orrin Avery he has sold his farm to Richard A. Day and will make his home elsewhere. His decision to remove from the place which has been his home for so many years is learned with regret by many friends.

Oyster Supper.

The oyster supper given by Henry C. Harris at his home last Saturday evening was an enjoyable affair. Mrs. Sydney A. Dolbeare and Mrs. Leola Fletcher superintended the cooking and serving of the oysters, which were pronounced excellent by those present. Mrs. Thomas Leffingwell was awarded the turkey, holding the lucky number.

Mr. and Mrs. Harris Morgan and children recently visited Mr. and Mrs. Albion Holmes of Pleasant Valley.

Mrs. Henry A. Rogers is very ill with measles.

Mrs. J. F. Rogers is ill.

Mr. and Mrs. David Akers and daughter Ruth were recent guests of Mrs. Akers' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lannes Dolbeare, at Plain Hill, Norwich.

Misses Annabelle and Lena Avery spent a couple of days recently as guests of Mrs. E. L. Latimer.

Mrs. Minnie Standish and Miss Edith Standish of Colchester visited friends in town during the week.

Mrs. W. H. Marvin of Sound View farm, Colchester, was a recent guest of local friends.

Miss Millen was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Fred R. Bailey during the week.

Miss Amy E. Rix is visiting friends in New London.

Mrs. Charles Malone, Miss Lavina Staplins and Miss Alice Rix spent Wednesday with friends in Colchester.

Attended Conference.

Miss Millen, pastor, and Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel Clark were delegates from the Congregational church to the convention in Stonington on Tuesday.

Grange Entertainment.

The Salem grange gave an entertainment in Grange hall on Tuesday evening which was well attended and a decided success. The following programme was well rendered, the various numbers receiving well merited applause: Piano solo, George Tillinghast of New London; recitation, Foreclosing the Mortgage, by Miss Eva M. Standish; phonograph selection, Harry Rathbone; drama, The Obstinate Family, with the following cast of characters: Henry Harford, a young Englishman, Harry A. Rathbone; Mrs. Harford, his young wife, Mrs. Helen Malona; Lucy, Mrs. Harford's maid, Miss Amy E. Rix; James, the butler, William Purcell; Mr. Harwood, Mrs. Harford's father, William Darling; Mrs. Harwood, the mother, Mrs. Charles S. Ray; piano solo, Mr. Tillinghast; humorous monologue, The Watermelon, by Miss Eva M. Standish, who gave in response to the encore The Reason I'm an Old Maid; phonograph selection, Harry Rathbone; recitation, Flying Jim's Last Leap, by Mrs. Charles Ray; piano solo, by Mr. Tillinghast. After the entertainment a sale of fancy articles was held and cake and coffee were served. In the guessing contest Charles Tinker of New London won the handsome bedquilt.

General News.

Selectman J. R. Douglas was a business caller in Colchester this week.

Miss Eva M. Standish spent Saturday at Hillside farm, the guest of her brother, E. L. Standish.

Charles Ray and family spent Sunday at Elm Tree farm, guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. W. Ray.

Mrs. William Darling spent Wednesday with relatives in New London.

Mrs. Norman Colt returned to Derby this week after visiting with relatives in town.

Henry E. Avery and John Beckwith of East Lyme were business callers in town on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Williams of Thompsonville were guests at the home of Judge and Mrs. Charles Williams this week.

Mrs. F. R. Bailey, Mrs. M. R. Siegfried and Mrs. Charles F. Beebe were callers in Colchester recently.

Rev. B. D. Remington of Colchester will preach in the Salem Baptist church Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. He is a very eloquent and fluent speaker.

FRANKLIN.

William Birge of Norwich, Great-Grandson of Dr. Nott, Buys Nott Homestead—Plans for Memorial Day.

Representative Frank A. Rockwood and family were visitors in Brooklyn one day the early part of this week.

Lloyd R. Robinson was a Norwich visitor Thursday.

Mrs. C. H. Lathrope was in Norwich on Wednesday.

Louis L. Starkweather of Norwich was the guest of George L. Ladd on Sunday.

Deacon and Mrs. L. A. Robinson, Clifford H. Robinson, Miss Faith N. Gager and Samuel N. Hyde attended the funeral of Mrs. Jane Hyde at Norwich Town on Wednesday. Mrs. Hyde was a sister of Deacon Robinson.

Warren S. Worth of Middletown was a Franklin visitor Wednesday.

Attended County Conference.

Among others who attended the New London county conference of Congregational churches from this town were Rev. H. A. Beadle and Miss Lydia Johnson.

Buys the Dr. Nott Place.

William Brassill recently sold the Dr. Nott place to William Birge of Norwich. Mr. Birge is a great-grandson of Dr. Nott.

MEMORIAL EXERCISES

To Be Held on Monday, May 31st—An Interesting Programme.

The committee on arrangements for Memorial day met at the home of Fred S. Armstrong on Wednesday evening. The exercises for Memorial day will be held on Monday, May 31. The soldiers' graves in the Pautipaug cemetery and the Gager town cemetery will be decorated in the morning by Mr. Belkows, assisted by several veterans and the school children of the Pautipaug and Gagertown districts. At 12 o'clock there will be public exercises in the town hall. There is to be music and an address. The school children of all the districts will assist at the town hall and also at the exercises in the afternoon at the Plains cemetery. This will be followed by a collation at the town hall.

LEDYARD.

Prospect of Good Strawberry Crop—Mock Trial Repeated at Poquetanuck—Birthday Surprise—Norwich Man Buys Yeomans Farm.

Strawberries are blossoming full and there is a prospect of an early crop.

Allyn Main's children are sick with the whooping cough.

Mock Trial Repeated.

"The great mock trial of Deacon Huggins," given by the young men's Baraca club at the Ledyard Center church, some time ago, was repeated at the Poquetanuck parish house Tuesday evening. The play was a success from start to finish and was loudly applauded by the audience. Each part was excellent and it was the opinion of many that the young men presented the play better than they did at Ledyard, which shows they are progressive and not going backward. The receipts at the door were $31, of which the young men had half. The Ladies' guild furnished a supper and ice cream at the close.

Surprise Visit for Calvin Hewitt.

A party of young people numbering forty gathered at the residence of Charles S. Hewitt on Saturday evening and gave a surprise to Calvin Hewitt, it being his twentieth birthday. Mr. Hewitt works in New London and did not arrive until late, when he found the party assembled. Cake and ice cream were served and a delightful social evening was spent.

Yeomans Farm Sold.

John Yeomans has sold his farm to a Polish purchaser of Norwich. The farm consists of 83 acres. The papers were passed on Monday, Mr. Yeomans receiving $500 for the property.

Personal Briefs.

Roswell Lamb and daughter Hattie were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Enos M. Gray.

Harry McKenzie of Mystic spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Daniel E. Gray and also spent a few days with his sister, Mrs. Enos M. Gray.

S. S. B. McKenzie of Mystic spent Sunday in town.

Miss Grace Gallup has been visiting friends in Franklin.

WESTFORD.

Preparing for Season at Palmer House—Arbor Day at Baptist Church.

Charles D. Howard of Graniteville is home from a lengthy visit at New Haven, and will be busy from now until the 25th of June, at which time the Palmer house, Pleasure Beach, will be opened.

Contractor Hancox of Spithead has a contract in the carpenter line for O. M. Gilbert of Jordan, and has just completed repairs about the P. H. Gorton place at Gilead.

Friday was Arbor day, at the First Baptist church, when the members met to set a tree to replace one that had outlived its usefulness.

The Sun Shiners met with Mrs. F. M. Rose Thursday.

Captain Gilbert Edwards lies seriously ill at his Jordan home, suffering from the effects of a second shock.

Mrs. Jane Geer is suffering from an attack of grip.

Mrs. Cordelia Smith is comfortable, after a severe illness.

Miss Nellie Williams is practicing her profession as a trained nurse at Independence, Ia.

Many friends and relatives of Joseph C. Young, from Bristol and Forestville were at Jordan attending the funeral Tuesday. Burial was by Masonic ritual.

LEFFINGWELL.

Several Attended Baptist Missionary Conference at New London.

Mr. and Mrs. John R. Gray and daughter, Elizabeth, of New London, were the guests over Sunday of Mrs. Mary Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Rathbun were callers at Sidney Dolbeare's, at Gardner Lake, Sunday.

Edward Stubly of Norwich was the guest of his mother, Mrs. Mary Gray, Sunday.

Mrs. A. B. Starr of New London was among the congregation at the Baptist church Sunday.

LeGrand Chappell of Palmertown was the guest of Edith Austin Wednesday.

A number from this place attended the Woman's Baptist Missionary conference at New London Wednesday.

Mrs. Forrest Leffingwell, who has been ill, is improving.

William Rathbun is ill.

Mrs. George Sheldon and Miss Edith Leffingwell were at Willimantic on Thursday.

LEONARD BRIDGE.

Return from Son's Wedding in New York—24 1-2 Pound Turtle.

Mr. and Mrs. Soloman Kaufman have returned from New York, where they attended the wedding of their son, Abraham.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce (the latter was formerly Miss Daisy Durfee) of Voluntown are visiting at F. J. Brown's and vicinity.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Abell of Columbia were at Levertt Manwaring's Saturday, Mrs. Abell remaining over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Claude Cummings and daughter, Dorothy, spent Sunday at Mrs. I. E. Cummings'.

Miss Annie Bogue of Norwich was an over Sunday visitor at Willis Gardiner's.

Abe Marchant caught a mud turtle in the lower pond which weighed 24 1-2 pounds. He brought it home to C. J. Holmes', where it was skinned.

Judge and Mrs. A. G. Kneeland were in Hartford Tuesday and Wednesday, attending the judges' meeting and visiting their sons, William and Warren Kneeland.

LISBON.

New Members Added to Glee Club—Attended Funeral of J. H. Finn.

Miss Ethey Kennedy spent Saturday and Sunday in Central Village.

John Hoelck is visiting relatives in town.

The Lisbon Glee club added another new member to their list Wednesday evening, making a total of twenty-seven members.

Miss Alice E. Kennedy, who has been sick, has been seen out doors.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Palmer of Pequonnoc returned home Monday, after a visit with the latter's sister, Mrs. J. B. Palmer, Sr.

Michael Connell and daughter, May, Mrs. G. A. Kennedy, Mr. and Mrs. James Shea attended the funeral of Hon. James H. Finn on Monday.

Mrs. J. B. Palmer, Jr., was in Norwich Wednesday.

OLD MYSTIC.

Evangelist Luther Begins Services at Center Groton—Religious, Social and Personal Briefs.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church met Wednesday evening with Mrs. William D. Beckwith of Smith street.

Evangelist Flanders began a series of evangelical services in the chapel at Center Groton, Sunday, May 9th. A good delegation from the Baptist church of this village was in attendance at the opening service.

Miss Etta May Lamphere of Hillside Lawn was an over-Sunday guest of her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. George Cutler, of Mystic.

Dr. E. C. Chipman and Mrs. Chipman of New London were guests Saturday of Mrs. Chipman's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin F. Crumb.

Mrs. Alpheus H. Schoonover of Elmhurst is visiting her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Schoonover, of Newark.

Mrs. Albert A. Haley was the guest Sunday of her aunt, Mrs. Maria Jones, of New London.

Delaware Visitors.

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Rigg of Delaware arrived last week at the Crandall homestead for a visit to Mrs. Rigg's grandmother, father and brother, Mrs. Caroline G. Crandall, S. Ashbel Crandall and Billings F. S. Crandall.

The United Workers of the Methodist Episcopal church met Wednesday at 2 p. m. in the M. E. conference room.

Mrs. Annie E. Avery is caring for her sister, Mrs. Charles H. Congdon, of Mystic, who has been dangerously ill.

Miss Margaret Boothman was a Mystic caller Saturday.

John Williams Shank and children, Edna, Maude and John Williams, Jr., were calling Sunday on his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Shank, of Ledyard.

Miss Lucy Gallup has returned to her home here after spending the winter with her niece, Miss Mary Williams, of Providence.

Mrs. Mary Jane Williams is visiting at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. James Whipple, of Center Groton.

Miss Amy Eldridge was the guest Tuesday evening of the Misses Lamb of Ledyard.

Mrs. Isabel Neil has returned from a three months' stay at the home of her son-in-law and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Gates, of Providence.

The Woman's Christian Temperance union will meet Friday at 3.30 p. m. at the residence of Mrs. Jane H. Dean in Main street.

NORTH STONINGTON.

Mrs. C. S. Mtine Conducts Service in Pastor's Absence—County Ministers' Conference at Baptist Church.

Rev. Lucian Drury spent Sunday in Florence, Mass., where he was called to attend the funeral of his nephew, Lucian S. Rice. Mrs. Chester S. Maine conducted the morning service in Mr. Drury's church. The evening service was omitted.

Rev. F. M. Hollister and other delegates from the local Congregational church attended the annual county conference at Stonington Tuesday.

"North Stonington Postoffice" is now inscribed above the postoffice, according to a recent postal regulation.

F. F. Richards of Waterford called on friends here Monday.

Mrs. Thomas P. Norman of Ledyard was in the village Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Ella Phillips was in Killingly is visiting here.

County Conference at Baptist Church.

The New London County Baptist Ministers' conference met with the local Baptist church Tuesday. At the morning session Rev. D. J. Nelly of Danielson presented an admirable paper on "The Minister in His Study."

At midday dinner was served at the home of the pastor of the entertaining church, Rev. Lucian Drury, two long tables being laid, one in the dining room and one in the library.

The afternoon session was devoted to a general discussion of the subject considered in the morning, and proved very bright and enjoyable. Rev. C. K. Flanders, the state evangelist, sang a solo. The clergymen belonging to the conference in attendance were: Rev. Messrs. Nelly, Thayer, Nye, Very, Frink, Cannon, Prindle, Ward, Atha, Luther, Buddington, Marston, Potter, Adams, Rankin, and Druhy. Visitors were: Rev. Mr. Flanders of Hartford and Rev. G. W. Rigler, D. D., and Rev. J. L. Peacock of Westerly. Ministers' wives present were: Mrs. Prindle, Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Rigler, Mrs. Peacock, Mrs. Drury, and Mrs. Chapman, widow of Rev. D. F. Chapman, for fourteen years pastor of the church on Pendleton Hill. In the evening Rev. H. B. Rankin gave his stereopticon lecture on the immigration problem and its solution.

FITCHVILLE.

William Wilbur Under $200 Bonds on Charge of Non-Support—$50 Netted from Play.

Misses May and Maud Eastland were recent guests of their brother, George Eastland of New London.

Miss Annie Quinn has returned to Greeneville, after being the guest of Miss Annie Kingberger.

Miss Nellie Brady and Miss Margaret McManus were recent guests of Miss Gladys Bulger in Willimantic.

Miss Mary Shea of Colchester has been spending several days with Miss Mary E. McCarty.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Murphy and children and Miss Katie A. Murphy of Norwich spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John McCarty.

William Wilbur Held for Non-Support.

William Wilbur of Montville was brought before Justice of Peace George V. Allyn last week, charged with non-support. Probable cause was found and he was bound over to the superior court under $200 bonds. Dr. Johnson furnished the bond. Attorney C. W. Comstock of Montville appeared for the defendant and Attorney P. J. Danahey of Willimantic appeared for the plaintiff.

The play, Maried Life," which was presented in Palmer hall for the benefit of the Y. M. D. C., proved a great success, about $50 being cleared.

HAMBURG.

Grangers Attend Old Lyme Grange Meeting.

A number of local grangers attended the meeting of Old Lyme grange Wednesday night.

Jewett Tiffany is ill with chicken pox in Hartford.

Mrs. John Tiffany has been a visitor in Hartford this week.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burg of New York are at their summer home for the season.

Lee Harding of Yale was at his home over Sunday.

Mrs. De La Hooke is a guest of her mother, Mrs. Da Maris.

NIANTIC.

Miss Merry Gives May Party—Two Houseboats Being Built for the Season—Cottage Notes.

Miss Grace Merry entertained the Chicamoor club Friday afternoon with a May party. Games were played. Miss Edith Warren winning most of the prizes, while Miss Clara L. Dewolf received the consolation prize. A May day supper was served at 6 o'clock. The dining room was prettily decorated in pink and green. A miniature May pole formed the center piece of the table, with streamers of ribbon leading to each place, on which were tied daisies and maidenhair ferns. All had a delightful time. Those present were Misses Doris Osborn, Sybil Beebe, Grace Saunders, Edith Warren, Edna Potter, Lillian Clark, Clara Dewolf and Grace Merry.

Personal Mention.

Misses Natalie Beckwith and Millicent Stone of New London were guests last week of Miss N. D. Davis.

George Eshenfelder of New London was a Pine Grove visitor Sunday.

Stephen Bond of this place substituted on the Morgan team, going to Norwich Saturday, where a game was played by the Morgan school and Norwich Free Academy clubs, Morgan winning 2 to 1.

Portland High school played Bulkeley school Saturday at New London. The score was 16 to 4 in favor of Bulkeley. Manager Bransfield of the Portland team is a summer resident of Niantic, and is well known here, especially by baseball enthusiasts.

Dr. and Mrs. Phillips McCook have returned to their home in New York.

At Stonington Conference.

Rev. and Mrs. J. W. Knappenberger, Mr. and Mrs. Herman W. Smith, Mrs. George Clark were in Stonington on Tuesday, attending the conference of Congregational churches.

Jeremiah Saunders of Taftville spent Sunday at the Norman cottage in South street.

Homer Dorman took out a sailing party this week on the Niantic river.

Among the Cottagers.

Mrs. R. O. Libby returned to her cottage at Riverview Tuesday, after spending a few days in Norwich with relatives.

The Washburn cottage, in Center street, is open. The occupants are from Norwich.

W. A. Banning is making repairs to the Fuller cottage.

G. W. Pierce will soon erect a windmill on his premises.

R. O. Libby of Riverview was in Niantic on business this week.

Herbert Reed, assisted by the Millers of Wells street, caught 54 flatfish in the Niantic river one day recently.

Charles Dunn of the Flanders road was a Pine Grove visitor Tuesday.

Two Houseboats.

Contractor D. A. Crocker is building two houseboats for C. K. Smith and John F. Luce. The boats will be propelled by gasoline engines.

George S. Partis has opened his cottage in Broadway for the season.

Mrs. F. A. Aston returned Saturday from a visit to Deep River with relatives.

Arthur J. Griswold of Broadway was a New London visitor Monday.

Jacob Linicus of New London was at his cottage in Pine Grove Sunday.

ASHWILLETT.

New Dam for Maine Lake Planned—Real Estate Changes Hands.

The Paul Prentice farm in Ashwillett has been sold to New London parties and the Ludlow place at West Ashwillett, known as the J. G. Walker place, has been sold to Norwich people. Much property here is changing hands.

The Ladies' Aid society held one of their famous good suppers Saturday evening at the residence of W. W. Billings. The affair was a decided success financially. Richmond furnished the ice cream and all pronounced it fine.

The many friends of Miss E. K. Holmes are pleased to note that she has so far recovered as to be able to resume her duties as teacher of the Ashwillett school Monday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. E. B. James called to see Mrs. Mary James, who is ill at her home in Hopeville, Tuesday.

C. P. Culver and Arthur Fulton of Westerly and Byron Billings of Mystic were in the place calling on friends Sunday.

There will be a strong new dam built at the Maine lake here, recently purchased by New York parties, and the water power utilized and the lake stocked with fish. There was formerly a sawmill and gristmill and shoddy mill on this same stream that has been idle for many years. The contemplated changes and improvements are good news to all of the citizens here.

S. Curtis Eggleston of South Lyme was in the place Wednesday.

HANOVER.

Rev. Dr. S. H. Howe to Preach at Apple Blossom Conference — Ladies' Guild to Entertain.

The Blackburn sisters will occupy the Ernest Smith house the present year.

Five delegates from Hanover were present at the Stonington conference of churches on Tuesday.

At the music recital in Willimantic on Tuesday evening Miss Jennie Gallup rendered a piano solo.

Apple Blossom Conference.

The so-called apple blossom conference of the six churches will be held here on Wednesday next. At the morning session at 11 o'clock Rev. S. H. Howe, D. D., of Norwich will preach the sermon. At the afternoon session Rev. D. B. MacLane of Tartville, Rev. Mr. Williams of Boston, Rev. D. Gane of Jewett City and Rev. H. A. Beadle of Franklin will speak. The Ladies' Guild has cordially invited to their collation the members of neighboring congregations and former residents of Hanover.

SOUTH LYME.

The King's Daughters Meet—Bradbury-Stanton Marriage.

Mrs. Albert Miller of New Haven visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Slate Tuesday.

The King's Daughters' Circle met at Mrs. Stanhope's Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Hattie Roath will lead the prayer meeting at the Union chapel Thursday evening.

Almon Champion has been sick.

WEDDING.

Bradbury—Stanton.

Bruce Bradbury and Miss Nora Stanton were united in marriage by the Rev. Marvin Stocking at Niantic on Saturday, May 10th.

E. P. Welch visited relatives in Westerly Sunday.

Mrs. Charles Bramble and daughter, Mrs. E. J. Luce, were visitors in New London this week.

Norwalk.—Rev. and Mrs. D. C. Egleston of Sound Beach will sail from Boston July 3 for a three months' tour of Europe under the direction of the Travel club of South Norwalk.

GALES FERRY.

Methodist Society Discusses Financial Interests—Plans for Picnic—Comstock Cottage Sold to Jamaica Purchaser—Party for Miss May Gibbs.

A meeting of the members of the M. E. church present at the Thursday evening prayer meeting was called at the close of the service to consider the financial interests of the society. C. E. Colver, president of the board of trustees, presided. After a discussion of plans, Misses Sarah Latimer, Amy B. Satterlee and Laura Perkins were appointed a committee to make inquiries in regard to the advisability of holding a picnic during the season. Mrs. Henry W. Hurlbutt was appointed an exhibition committee, with power to choose her own assistants.

The warm weather of the past week called several of the summer residents to their cottages on the bluff. Mr. and Mrs. Otto Wulf and Mr. and Mrs. James Perry of Norwich were here Friday.

The Bartlett cottage on the bluff was also opened last week.

John Watson of the Allyn's Point district, who has been ill for several months, is improving.

Comstock Cottage Sold.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sears of Jamaica, L. I., have purchased the cottage in the village belonging to Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Comstock for a summer home. Mr. and Mrs. Comstock moved Thursday to the Harlan Newbury house, where they resided several years ago.

To Build Gravel Walk.

Work on the new gravel walk which is to be built by the town and the railroad company for the accommodation of the summer residents on the bluff is to be commenced soon. An agent from the office of the company in New Haven and Civil Engineer George E. Pitcher were in the village last week, looking over the ground.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Heeney and Mrs. Charles B. Jennings of New London were guests of Mrs. Richard Latimer Saturday.

Birthday Surprise for Miss Gibbs.

Miss Mary Rudd Gibbs was given a birthday surprise party by members of her Sunday school class of the Second Congregational church, Norwich, at her summer home in the village Friday afternoon and evening. The girls were accompanied by their teacher, Mrs. J. H. Larrabee. The party was given a sail on Mr. Gibbs' yacht May during the afternoon and games and musical selections on the phonograph were enjoyed by the young people during the evening.

Mrs. A. A. Dickerson, who has been a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. A. James at Allyn's Point, left Monday for a visit in Boston before returning to her home in Hartford.

Entertained by Mrs. F. H. Brown.

Eight members of the local auxiliary of the Woman's Home Missionary society enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. Franklin H. Brown at her home on Laurel Hill avenue Tuesday afternoon. Those present were Mrs. Thomas Latham, Mrs. Lucy Hurlbutt, Mrs. George F. Dean, Mrs. Sarah Colver, Mrs. Courtland E. Colver and Misses Sarah Latimer, Kate B. Colver and Laura Perkins. The next meeting of the society will be held in June at the home of Mrs. Sarah Colver at the navy yard.

LIBERTY HILL.

Prospective Purchasers Inspect MacCormac Place—Mrs. Dimon's Brother Killed by the Cars.

Mrs. Adele C. Tucker, who is suffering from serious stomach trouble, was taken to St. Joseph's hospital, Willimantic, in the ambulance last Saturday.

Interested parties were looking at the MacCormac place Tuesday.

Mrs. Patrick Brown, who has been seriously ill with grip, is a little better.

Frosts in Sunny Tennessee.

Mrs. William Watson writes from Tennessee that they have just had frosts there. Apple trees there are in full bloom.

Several attended the funeral of Orlando C. Tucker at Lebanon Center Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. W. H. Peckham, who is caring for Mrs. C. Winfield Noyes, in Willimantic, was home for a short stay Sunday.

The C. E. meeting Sunday evening, in the absence of Mrs. Isaiah Hale, the regularly appointed leader, was in charge of John Clarke, the president.

Killed by the Cars.

Mrs. G. B. Dimon received a telegram Sunday saying that her youngest brother, who lives in Indiana, was killed by the cars.

GOSHEN.

Delegates to County Conference—Woodchuck Disloged from Tree Fifteen Feet from the Ground.

Rev. Marcus Burr and Deacon James Y. Thomas attended the annual conference of Congregational churches of New London county, held in Stonington Tuesday.

Woodchuck Climbs a Tree.

A local man thought he would investigate why his dog had been barking continuously all the forenoon. He was surprised to find the center of attraction a woodchuck up in a tree, about 15 feet from the ground. A long pole was procured and the animal was soon disloged and captured.

Edwin K. Jones was a visitor in Bridgeport a few days this week.

Some of the schools closed on Friday (Arbor day) on account of the teachers' meeting in Putnam.

Miss Clara Gillette attended the teachers' convention in Putnam on Friday.

YAWBUX VALLEY.

Miss Alice Tillinghast of Providence has been the guest of Miss Annie Maine the past week.

Mrs. Lucy Slocum, who has been very ill at the home of her daughter, has so far recovered as to be able to return to her home.

Miss Ella West of Stonington and Miss Bessie West of Westerly were visitors at Charles Chapman's Sunday.

Mrs. C. E. Richmond and son visited friends at Mystic Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Thompson entertained Mr. and Mrs. Arthur White of New London over Sunday.

Miss Emma Wordon is the guest of friends at Hope Valley.

CAMPBELL'S MILLS.

H. M. Wilcox is confined to the house with rheumatism.

Miss Mary M. Stevens, who has been feeble all winter, is now improving.

S. B. Barber is working for S. L. Barber.

George Green is working for A. G. Brown.

One day this week two road hogs chased a horse nearly two miles.

Miss Alice Perkins is working for Mrs. Walter Tanner.

Mrs. Susan Fry has finished working for H. Perkins and has gone to work for William Bitgood.

Mrs. E. A. Pratt is no better.

GRISWOLD.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Meech of Danielson spent Sunday at Mr. Meech's old home in this place.

Mrs. Ziba Huntington visited friends an Danielson over Sunday.

DEPARTMENT COMMANDER GEN. GEORGE HAVEN.

New London's Cheap Dances—Fourth Change in Ownership of the Telegraph—Norwich is Fortunate in Getting the Brainard & Armstrong Company—Police Officers Should Co-operate with the Consolidated to Keep Boys Off the Roadbed—The No-License Campaign Opened—The Flag on Memorial Day.

Gen. George Haven received deserved recognition from his comrades this week, when they elected him department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic for the state of Connecticut. As he has already risen from a private to brigade commander of the Connecticut national guard and adjutant general of the state, this new honor will not overburden this distinguished soldier and respected citizen. As a boy he enlisted in the first company that went from New London in the civil war and at the expiration of his term of service re-enlisted and served with credit during the war, being mustered out with untarnished record.

General Haven is in every way qualified for the duties of the new position and his fellow townspeople are joined in by the general's wide acquaintance throughout the state in extending their heartiest congratulations and best wishes. Many military honors have come to General Haven and they were all modestly received, and the general continued to wear the same size hat.

He is a broad, liberal-minded man, and there is nothing narrow in the general make of this native New Londoner. This was proven when he was commander of the Connecticut national guard, when by his plain business methods and strict compliance with military, without display or arrogance, he not only secured the best possible service, but earned the respect and admiration of every man in the military service of the state. He treated all under his command fairly, impartially, and played no favorites. He selected as his military family some of the best military men in the state for departmental positions, and a few who readily grasped the duties of their appointments. It was generally conceded that General Haven had the best working staff that ever enrolled in the Connecticut national guard, with perhaps one individual exception. As an exhibit of General Haven's fairness to all, without regard to—etc., be it konwn that he was the first and only brigade commander to appoint a Catholic of Irish descent on the brigade staff, and he did this of his own volition, without request from or suggestion of anybody.

So it is up to his comrades of the civil war, the Spanish-American war (for he was then adjutant general) and of the national guard, to come to attention and make salute of respect to the new department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic.

In a terpsichorean way, at least, New London is getting to be a cheap city, for public dances are given almost nightly with the price of admission ten cents, and under two opposing managements and in the same street. The time was that a really first class ball was looked forward to with interest and largely attended and the price of admission was $2 or $1, as the case might be, but these tencent dances have put these old-time social affairs practically out of existence.

As with dancing, so it is with theatrical entertainments and high grade concerts, and lectures by the most noted men of the country are almost tabooed. Now the cheap shows seem to satisfy the great majority of the people, and animated pictures and vaudeville have the call.

There has been another change in management or ownership of the Morning Telegraph, making the tenth since the first issue of the paper, June 15, 1885, almost twenty-three years ago. Perhaps the latest change is the most radical for it carried with it an almost complete change in the mechanical department of the newspaper. The Telegraph has fought a hard fight, during certain periods of its existence, and has managed to survive, and there is no radical change in its standing during the past two years.

This time the paper is up against a new proposition, the new management deciding that under the existing conditions it was best to have an open office, where workmen not affiliated with labor organizations would be employed. So the union men were locked out without notice and it is said in violation of contract. But, as in all other matters of this nature, there are probably two sides to the question, that can be best settled by the parties directly interested.

It has been demonstrated that there is a fertile field for a morning newspaper in New London, and there is no apparent reason why The Telegraph, properly conducted, should not fill that field.

Norwich is fortunate in getting such a reliable and progressive manufacturing concern as the Brainard & Armstrong company of New London to establish or rather revive a branch of the silk business in that city. It is, however, a bit peculiar that Mayor B. L. Armstrong, the chief magistrate of the city of New London, should have been the gentleman to do the business. The establishment of this industry will naturally tend to give Norwich people a closer acquaintanceship with the mayor of New London, and many will wonder why a man of his business ability has received such severe treatment in matters political by members of his own party. It would ordinarily be considered a stroke of good luck for a political party to have a business man of young Mr. Armstrong's ability who would be willing to accept the mayoralty of the city, but in his case it was a political row before, the nomination and the row has been continuous.

Still, the mayor was tendered a complimentary banquet at the Crocker house, Wednesday evening, by the members of the court of common council, some of whom are classed among his bitterest political enemies; one of whom remarked, "There is a something about the man, yes, an unexplainable something that commands respect and admiration, and sometimes I feel as if I ought to love him for some of the enemies he has made."

Although the New York, New Haven & Hartford Railroad Co. seems to be taking every precaution for the safety of lives, even to the extent of employing a corps of detectives to prevent trespass on railroad property, men, and boys, too, are frequently killed in attempting to or actually stealing rides. The present week two boys, both under 15, were killed, one at Midway and the other near Stamford. It is time radical steps were taken by the police of the city along the railroad line, to put an end to boys loitering about the railway stations and freight yards.

These boys gradually become accustomed to the moving of trains and are anxious to imitate the trainmen as they swing on and off the trains in connection with their duties. This they finally do and, becoming emboldened, and with a desire to see the country that some of the "shacks" tell about, they take a chance and begin to steal rides. First for short distances, then longer, until at last these boys become experts in jumping freights or stealing rides, unless they are killed in making the effort.

The laws are stringent in this direction and the railroad officials are zealous in enforcement, but the real end cannot be successfully accomplished, without the earnest and persistent cooperation of the police officers all along the line. There is opportunity for this life-saving work right here in New London.

It is generally recognized throughout Connecticut that there are men in New London competent to be the leader of an organization, and to also fill state offices of lesser importance. Several conventions have been held during the present week by various organizations and in almost every instance a New Londoner has been elected to the board of officers.

In South Norwalk last Wednesday, General Haven was elected department commander of the Grand Army of the Republic; and on the same day in the nearby city of Bridgeport, Thomas P. Cleary of New London was elected president of the Connecticut Association of Master Plumbers. Mr. Cleary is a young man and served in Company A, of the old Third Connecticut, under General Haven. He learned the trade of plumber and by industry and persistent work succeeded in going into business on his own account, and for several years has been a leader in that line.

He is a man of exceptional business qualifications, and as master plumber, so far as his personal mannerisms go, is the same Tom Cleary as he was when working at his trade in the employ of some of his associates of the Master Plumbers' association.

As Memorial day draws near it is timely to be reminded of the proper way to display the stars in honor of the heroes, living and dead, who gave service for the preservation of all that the flag represents. Brigadier Gen. George A. Cole, the adjutant general of the state, and qualified by reason of his office to be authority on this subject, has stated officially that on Memorial day the flag should be at half-mast from sunrise to midday, and then hoisted to the top of the staff and remain there until sunset.

The first automobile ever built in New London was given trial test, Wednesday, and worked very satisfactorily. The machine was made at the Brown Cotton Gin plant and is one of the order for one hundred to be manufactured by the local concern for the Cameron company. The parts for others are being assembled and the order will be filled rapidly. Just as soon as this order is filled, another even larger in size is assured.

There is a big rush at this plant and the working force is being increased daily, made necessary by the increase in business. The Babcock printing presses are manufactured at this plant and there is not an unsold press in the establishment, all the stock machines having been sold and orders being received almost daily.

There is also a growing demand for the cotton gin machinery, gasoline engines and other products of this manufacturing concern. In order to meet the demand, it may be necessary to add more buildings to this already extensive plant. Business is certainly booming down at Brown's, and like conditions prevail in every other industrial establishment in New London.

The no-license people of New London have commenced their campaign and in a practical way, by advertising "Scenes from Facts," in local newspapers. If these people "keep everlastingly at it," they will be convinced that advertising pays, for the voters will read these facts, which up to date have not been denied by advertisement, and will vote accordingly at the October elections.

The example of the no-license workers in New London in this respect is worthy of emulation in Norwich and elsewhere. It will show practical illustration of newspaper advertising, and perhaps cause the fellows on the other side to sit up and take notice.

LEBANON.

Congregational Pastor-elect to Be Installed in June—Orlando C. Tucker's Funeral.

E. B. Smith, pastor-elect of the First Congregational church, preached last Sunday and will soon be through with his studies in the seminary. About the first of June he will be ready for ordination and installation as pastor.

The funeral services of Orlando C. Tucker were held at his residence last Tuesday at 2 p. m. Rev. R. E. Turner, his pastor, conducted the service. The house was filled with sympathizing friends and neighbors, who felt a sense of personal bereavement. The floral tributes were beautiful. The bearers were L. P. Smith, S. W. Throop, Roy Church, Edgar Tucker, C. B. Lamb and Eugene Abell. Burial was in the family plot in the new cemetery.

Operation for Cataract.

Mrs. J. H. Steadman is at her home again after an operation and treatment for cataract in the Backus hospital. Her sight is somewhat dim but hopes are entertained that she will soon be able to see as well as formerly.

Alden Stephens of Hartford spent last Sunday in town visiting his cousin, Miss Elizabeth A. Lewis, teacher in District No. 7.

Mrs. Charlotte Burgess is very ill, and little hope is entertained of her recovery.

The weather this week has been delightful, and the grass, which is one of the farmer's main crops, bids fair to be abundant.

GARDNER LAKE.

William H. Odell of Highbridge, N. Y., was calling on local friends Sunday.

Mrs. William Chappell of Waterford and Mrs. George Bailey of New London visited Mrs. C. H. Bailey Sunday.

Miss Harriet Bailey and Benjamin Bailey, both of Salem, recently visited Mrs. C. H. Bailey.

Mrs. A. P. Bolender and her guardian, Alfred Dressler, have returned home.

Mr. and Mrs. William Denison of Colchester visited friends here Sunday.

Howard Gardner was in New York a few days ago on business.

Miss Ethel and Robbie Boynton of Palmertown visited their parents on Sunday.

WINDHAM COUNTY.

WEST WOODSTOCK.

Summer Residents Arriving — Clover Farm to Be Occupied Soon.

Miss Grace Sumner is teaching in Pomfret.

Master Leon Austin returned Saturday after a week's