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BULLETIN NEWS LETTERS FROM ITS BROADENING FIELD

LETTERS FROM TOWNS IN TWO STATES

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

NEW LONDON COUNTY.

NIANTIC.

Dr. C. D. Usher Speaks at Congregational Church—N. E. O. P. Meeting—Summer Residents Arriving.

Rev. C. D. Usher of Stonington preached at the Congregational church Sunday morning and evening to large audiences. Dr. Usher spoke on present conditions in Turkey, and also on missionary work which he has been doing there for several years.

The semi-monthly meeting of Niantic lodge, No. 241, New England Order of Protection, was held in Union hall Thursday evening. An interesting business session was held, after which the male members served a box lunch. A pleasant time was enjoyed by all.

Returned from Meriden.

Walter R. Waldorf, Mrs. W. R. Waldorf, Miss Isabella Waldorf returned Monday afternoon from Meriden, where they have been spending the winter. They were accompanied here by Henry Sembler, who will pass the summer with them.

Alexis Dorman and Mr. Hayes went to New London Tuesday in Mr. Hayes' power boat Grace.

Captain Lincoln Smith had two barges in charge Wednesday with coal on board for Niantic river ports.

Miss Nellie Twiss left for Eastford Monday, where she has been employed by Mrs. John Prince. Miss Twiss has been spending several weeks with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Pierce, in Pine Grove.

Mrs. E. S. Warner, Mrs. F. H. Dart, Mrs. E. K. Beckwith, Mrs. John F. Luce, Mrs. Charles Raymond, Miss Susette Carter, Mrs. W. H. Mosier, Mrs. E. M. Beckwith were New London visitors this week.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Hall will soon move to Saybrook, where he will go into business.

E. C. Russell and B. P. Beckwith were in New London Tuesday and attended a ball game.

Robert T. Porter, proprietor of the Niantic house, was a business caller in New London Monday.

Mrs. E. E. Palmer of Oswegatchie was the guest of Mrs. D. L. Gates in Penn avenue Monday.

Visited Schools.

S. J. Weaver was visiting the various departments of the Niantic school Tuesday.

The work on the two houseboats for C. K. Smith and John F. Luce is being pushed rapidly.

Miss Hazel Damon has been entertaining Miss Lena R. Potter for a few days at the Niantic house.

Miss N. S. Verner was a Hartford visitor Wednesday.

Painters are at work on the residence of J. F. Luce, in Main street.

Miss Laura Luce, who has been spending a few days in New York, has returned to her home in Little Boston.

Mrs. Charles Lester of East Hartford arrived in the village Tuesday and is spending some time with relatives.

Josiah Toms of West Townsend, Mass., was in the village Tuesday.

R. B. Gorton was in Deep River on Tuesday, surveying.

WATERFORD.

Rural Carrier Returns from Maine—Personal Mention.

Miss Florence Hickson of Mystic spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Young.

Clyde J. Hogan, rural carrier on route No. 2, has returned from Gardner, Me., where he was called by the illness of his father, who is suffering with dropsy of the heart, but is slightly improved.

Mrs. Ernest Lewis is ill at her home at the Coats place, Waterford.

Miss Augusta G. Gates of Lyme has returned home from a visit at Waterford.

Mrs. Crissie Stillingworth is in New York with her son, who is to undergo an operation in a New York hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Smith were guests of Mrs. Smith's mother at Waterford Sunday.

William Williams was the guest Sunday of friends at West Neck.

Mrs. Mattie Burdick, her daughter, Mrs. Denison Hinckley, and sons Clyde and Arthur Burdick of Westerly, have returned home after attending the funeral of C. D. Howard.

Mrs. Frank M. Rose was a business caller in town Monday.

Owen Sherry of Millstone is home from Philadelphia, owing to dull business, on his way to find employment at Westerly.

Mrs. J. Henry Beckwith and daughter Agnes were guests Wednesday of Mrs. H. Willis Manwaring.

William Williams was a business caller in New London Wednesday.

Henry Hedding has about forty cows at pasture on Mullin hill.

Mrs. Christopher Newbury of Gilead was the guest of friends in Graniteville Wednesday.

The Three Linkers met with Mrs. H. Willis Manwaring Wednesday from 3 to 5 p. m.

HANOVER.

Memorial Sunday Observance—Missionary Society Elects Delegates.

Memorial day will be observed on Sunday afternoon at 3 o'clock. Daniel Ladd will lead in the decoration of the graves. At the new cemetery there will be a programme of music by the choir, reading of Lincoln's Gettysburg Address by Aaron Morse, and a brief address by the pastor of the church.

Meeting of Missionary Society.

The Ladies' Missionary society met with Mrs. Rood Wednesday afternoon. There were readings by Mrs. Standish and Mrs. E. C. Smith. Mrs. Warwick, Mrs. Crombie and Mrs. Smith were elected delegates to the meeting of the Eastern Connecticut Branch in New London, Thursday, June 10.

Alfred H. Bennett has been at home this week.

PRESTON.

The Ladies' Sewing society met with Miss Mary P. Woodmansee Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. William Tillinghast of Thornton, R. I., visited over Sunday with Mrs. Charles Carey.

Rev. L. E. Pangburn of New Haven preached in the Congregational church Sunday.

Miss Maggie McAvoy, who has been staying with Mrs. John Wilson, returned to her home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Patrick McAvoy and little son are visiting at Daniel McAvoy's.

Memorial day exercises will be held at Preston City Sunday afternoon at 1 o'clock.

Rev. Mr. Balcom of Plainfield will preach in the Congregational church next Sunday.

OLD MYSTIC.

Rev. C. H. Flanders Closes Services After Successful Two Weeks—Interesting Items of the Past Week.

The evangelical services conducted by Evangelist Flanders at the Center Groton chapel for a duration of two weeks ended with the services on last Friday evening. Despite the rainstorm the attendance was good. The series of services held at the Baptist church in Old Mystic, as well as the series at the chapel, were most helpful to all who were in attendance, and a goodly number have accepted Christ as their Saviour.

Four Baptisms.

Rev. Jephtha M. Olmstead, pastor of the Baptist church, administered the ordinance of baptism to four candidates at the last Sunday evening service.

Personals.

Mrs. Alpheus H. Schoonover has returned to Elmhurst from a two weeks' visit to her brother and sister, Mr. and Mrs. Abram Schoonover of Newark.

Miss Mary Harris Dean of Main street is recovering from an attack of malaria.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Krug and children, Raymond and Alice, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Williams Shank.

Mrs. Anna Gallup of Laurel Hill, Norwich, has been a guest for the past week of her sister, Miss Lucy Gallup.

Mrs. Maria Jones of New London has been spending a few days with local relatives.

Miss Mabel Haley returned Monday to her home, in Main street, after a five weeks' visit to relatives in Pearl street, New London.

Mr. and Mrs. George G. Welles of Lake Villa were Westerly visitors on Monday.

Miss Beatrice Pike and Miss Florence Stafford of Mystic were guests Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Tinker and family.

Miss S. Annie Williams of Main street was calling Wednesday on Mrs. Catherine P. Chipman and daughter, Miss Lillian P. Chipman, at Brushwood.

Brief Notes.

Mrs. Adelia Kenyon was calling Monday on her sister, Mrs. Emilie Spencer, of Mystic.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Lamphere and Mrs. James S. Russell of Hillside Lawn were guests of Mystic relatives Monday evening.

Mrs. Hayes Ross and Mrs. John Williams Shank were Mystic callers Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. Kingsley have named their infant daughter Jennie Corinne.

Miss Maude Horton has returned to the Methodist parsonage, after a visit to Miss Annie Mitchell of Blackhall.

Mr. and Mrs. Elisha C. Davis and Master Lila Davis visited the Pollard bothouses Sunday afternoon.

CLARK'S FALLS.

Attended Ordination at Pendleton Hill—United Workers Had Entertainment—Notes.

Postmaster E. D. Chapman and cousin, Miss Mabel Bill, and Mrs. Cassius Collins and daughter, Gladys, attended the services at Pendleton Hill Wednesday afternoon, when Rev. John Howard Adams was ordained minister of the gospel.

Mrs. Will Pickering called on friends here recently.

The United Workers connected with the Sabbath school held an entertainment in the chapel Saturday evening. On account of the storm the attendance was not large.

Arthur Babcock of Westerly called to see his parents and on business Wednesday.

Elmer Merritt of Ashaway, who has been selling meat here for some time, made his last trip Thursady. He gives it up on account of the high price of meat and ice.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Maine have returned from a two days' stay at their cottage at Pleasant View.

Mrs. Hattie Rathbun is the guest of Mrs. Mary J. Maine.

Frost Had Done Damage.

The roads in this section are looking fine, but frost has done some damage.

GARDNER LAKE.

May Basket for Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Latimer—Local Mention.

Miss Ethel Champlin of the Backus hospital, Norwich, was the guest of her parents Sunday morning.

Charles H. Bailey is visiting his daughter in Niantic.

Mrs. Judson Miner of Bozrah was a caller in town Tuesday.

A May basket was left at the door of Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Latimer Monday night. The party, being followed closely by a fleet runner of the house, took to the fields and was rounded up at the home of Sidney A. Dolbeare, going from there to their homes.

Mr. Thrall of Salem has moved to the farm formerly occupied by Dwight Miner.

Mrs. Louella Fletcher of South Colchester is the guest of Mrs. Sidney A. Dolbeare.

SOUTH LYME.

Brown Family Arrives at Fair View.

Mrs. E. J. Luce and her mother were visitors in New London Wednesday.

Fred Comstock is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Payne.

Allan Spens and his sister, Janet, called on friends in this place Sunday.

J. Hart led the meeting at the Union chapel Thursday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Stanford Brown of New York have arrived at their summer home, Far View.

Captain Ezra Beckwith is visiting friends in this place.

Several local young people will attend the dance at Golden Spur park Memorial day.

LISBON.

Barn Dance Greatly Enjoyed.

Ervin Fowler and Mr. Smith of Preston attended the Newent church Sunday evening.

William Collins of Central Village has returned to his home after staying a week at George Kennedy's.

Mrs. Frank Hyde was in Norwich Wednesday.

The barn dance held in Charles Budlett's new barn last Friday night was well attended, about twenty-five couples coming from Preston, Versailles and Greeneville. The Plain Hill orchestra furnished music.

Miss Alice Alice E. Kennedy is improving.

SALEM.

Interesting Services at Congregational Church—Hon. and Mrs. Alva Morgan Move to East Lyme Amidst Regret.

The interesting services conducted by the pastor, Miss Millen, in the Congregational church Sunday morning and evening, were well attended. The Sunday school session which followed the morning service was in charge of assistant Supt. Mrs. Fred R. Bailey. The handsome silk banner recently purchased by the school to stimulate regular attendance, was presented to the young men's class, tuaght by Nathaniel L. Clark, as their average for the past several weeks had been the best. Good-natured rivalry exists between several classes in their desire to win the banner. A varied and interesting programme is being prepared for the Children's day exercises to be held Sunday evening, June 13.

Leave Salem After Long Residence.

Hon. and Mrs. Alva Morgan on Thursday moved from their beautiful home in Salem, where they have resided ever since their marriage, to the home which they purchased some time ago in East Lyme. Their removal takes from our town one of its most useful, active and familiar figures, in church, social, business and political circles. Mr. Morgan has enjoyed and merited the confidence of his townspeople to a marked degree, and has held practically every public office within the gift of the people. Three times he has represented the town in the state legislature, and for a long term of years served as town clerk. Whatever the office, Mr. Morgan always had the welfare of Salem at heart and manifested the same care and integrity in his public work as in his own private affairs. The home which Mr. and Mrs. Morgan have left is the most beautiful and well kept farm home in this section, and their leaving is a source of keen regret to their large circle of friends. Yet all join in wishing them prosperity and happiness in the new home which they have chosen.

Benjamin Bailey and Miss Hattie Bailey, brother and sister of Mrs. Morgan, accompanied them to their new home and will make their home there.

The parsonage was furnished this week, and Miss Millen, the pastor, is now residing there.

New London Pomona grange will meet with the Salem grange Thursday, January 17.

Mrs. G. J. Murray called on Colchester friends one afternoon this week.

Mrs. M. R. Siegfried and Mrs. F. L. Fletcher were guests of Miss Edith Standish at her home in Colchester on Monday.

Sydney A. Dolbeare was a business caller in New London Tuesday.

Mrs. Ada White and Miss Bertha Stowe were guests of Mrs. S. A. Dolbeare this week.

G. O. Avery and daughter, Miss Anabel, called on friends in East Lyme during the week.

Miss Laura Peabody, teacher of the Central school, spent Sunday at her home near New London. Miss Katie Allen, a pupil, accompanied her as her guest.

Ira D. Gifford called on friends in Norwich on Tuesday.

Thomas S. Clark of Colchester spent a day this week with relatives and friends here.

Charles S. Ray was in East Lyme on business Wedensal.

Mrs. E. L. Latimer and Miss Lois Latimer are guests of relatives in Hamburg this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wolosenka have returned to their home in New York city, after spending a few weeks with relatives here.

C. A. Rogers was in New London Tuesday, calling on friends there.

School in the Central district closes Friday, June 4.

J. F. and Carl Rogers were callers in Colchester this week.

Miss Celia A. Rathbone spent Tuesday with her friend, Miss Susan Miner.

F. A. Baker and Harry Groobert of Colchester were business callers in town this week.

LAUREL GLEN.

Attended Ordination of Rev. J. H. Adams—Hawk Killing Champions.

Mrs. Leonard Maine with her two children started for Proctorsville, Vt., Tuesday morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Attaway Maine, Bertram Holdredge, Thomas T. Maine and Mrs. Jaames Maine attended the ordination services at Pendleton Hill last Tuesday.

Rev. E. P. Mathewson preached a sermon and held communion service at the Laurel Glen chapel last Sunday morning.

Rev. J. H. Adams Will Preach.

Rev. J. H. Adams of Pendleton Hill will preach next Sunday at 3 p. m. in the same place.

Miss Ellen Maine called on her cousin, Mrs. James Maoine, Monday afternoon.

Howard Maine and Frank Palmer are making havoc among the hawks in this vicinity. Every hawk killed saves many chickens. Let the good work go on.

There will be a prayer meeting at the home of James Maine next Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

PENDLETON HILL.

Dr. Coates from Waterbury a Local Visitor—Personal Mention.

The Sunday evening service at our church was well attended.

The weekly prayer meeting was held at the home of Mrs. James Cooke.

Clifford and Irving Thompson were callers at Jewett City last Monday.

Dr. Coates, the state secretary, and Rev. Frank Vought and wife of Waterbury, Conn., have been guests of Rev. and Mrs. J. Howard Adams.

Dwight Thompson and Irving Thompson spent the day Wednesday at George Wheeler's.

Merrick Watson was home last Tuesday.

Bert Miner is helping John Newton with his planting.

Miss Beatrice Malloy sepnt Sunday at Bion Kinney's.

Dr. C. O. Maine of Stonington and brother of Manchester were callers at W. L. Main's Wednesday.

NORTH LYME.

Wedding Announcements Received.

Samuel Babcock, who has resided in Lyme the past year, has moved to his former home in North Plain, having sold his farm in Lyme.

Announcements have been received of the marriage of Miss Ellen Ward of Norwich, a former resident of this place, and Harry Wilcox of Jewett City, on Monday of this week. They will reside in Jewett City.

The ladies' missionary society met at the parsonage Tuesday afternoon with a large attendance.

LEDYARD.

Baraca Club Has Social Evening at Parsonage—Napoleon Langevin Has Unique Collection.

The Baraca club held its meeting on Friday evening, May 21, at the Bill parsonage. The meeting was opened with prayer by Rev. Mr. White. Stories were told and jokes cracked. Then the meeting was interrupted by the hanging of a large May basket filled with good things to Rev. Mr. White by the girls' Philathea club. The young men's Baraca club gave an invitation to the girls' Philathea club to come and hear a very interesting talk by Billings T. Avery about his living in the west when a young man. After the lecture closed the rest of the evening was spent in entertainment. Refreshments were served, consisting of candy that came in the May basket. The regular meetings of the club are to be held monthly during the summer. The next meeting will be held June 11 unless otherwise specified.

Miss Nellie Geer of Groton spent Sunday at the Geer homestead.

Miss Florence M. Bennett, teacher in district No. 6, has been ill the past week.

Mrs. James H. Belden of Locust Grove, who has been visiting friends in Gales Ferry, has returned home.

Mr. Hayes and family of New Jersey have moved into the Geer cottage.

Collection of Snakes.

Napoleon Langevin, who lives on the Pequot reservation near Lantern Hill in this town, has an enclosure fenced in with boards near Summit on the Norwich and Westerly road, where he has on exhibition a large number of different kinds of snakes, including black, green, red and many others, numbering nearly 100. Mr. Langevin claims not to be afraid of them and catches them with a pair of tongs and then puts them into a bag. He intends to catch some rattlesnakes to add to his collection.

Four-legged Chicks.

Avery W. Main has a freak of a chicken among his number. The chick has four legs. Two where they should be and two above the others. The toes and feet are well formed. When the chicken was first hatched the upper legs dragged on the ground, but now after a month the upper legs do not drag. The chicken is well and hearty and bids fair to live.

Brief Notes.

Mrs. Julia Cromwell and son, who have been visiting relatives in town, have returned to their home in Dodgeville, N. Y.

A large number of new sheds are to be erected at the Baptist church in the near future.

A Christian Endeavor meeting will be held at the Congregational church on Monday, May 31.

Mrs. Anna Gallup of Laurel Hill is visiting friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Dean of New London are visiting Mrs. Dean's parents, Mr. and Mrs. John M. Gray.

Mr. and Mrs. Early Bennett of Preston were the guests of Mrs. Bennett's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Brown, Sunday.

ASHWILLETT.

Ordination of Rev. J. Howard Adams—Otto Anderson Lost Horse.

Friends and acquaintances of Dr. Stanton were pained to learn of his recent sudden death

Mrs. Mary F. E. Roode is the guest of relatives in Norwich.

Mrs. Mary B. James is very ill and is attended by a Jewett City physician.

The ordination to the Baptist ministry of the Rev. J. Howard Adams took place Tuesday at the Pendleton Hill church. Ashwillett and Preston City residents attended the exercises.

Otto Anderson lost a valuable horse Saturday. The animal died on the road returning from Norwich.

George Huntley is occupying the R. E. Swan house in this place.

John L. Maine sold a fine pair of working cattle to parties in Preston the past week.

Charles H. Eccleston, who died Friday in Mystic, was well known here, where his ancestors many of them formerly resided.

S. P. Eggleston is improving in health.

Otto Anderson of New York spent Sunday in Ashwillett.

Memorial day will be observed Monday.

FITCHVILLE.

Boys Catch Undersized Pickerel—Surprise Party for Miss Elsie Adams.

As Game Warden A. M. Miller was passing along the road near the arch bridge Sunday he noticed a couple of Jewish boys fishing. The game warden started towards the boys intending to examine their catch, but the boys, recognizing him, threw the bag into the water and before the official could reach them had disappeared in the woods. The bag was later secured and contained two pickerel less than ten inches in length.

Monday night the members of the dancing class had a surprise party at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Adams in honor of their daughter, Miss Elsie Adams, a member of the class. Games were played during the early evening and later the young folks retired to the hall, where dancing was enjoyed. Sandwiches, cake, lemonade, etc., were served. The music for the dancing was furnished by Arthur Chapman, violin, and Mrs. Adams, piano.

GRISWOLD.

Norwich C. E. Union to Meet Here on June 5th.

Mrs. Henry Moray of Brooklyn, Ct., visited last week with her father and sister.

T. Fred Edmond is spending a week with relatives in Waterbury.

Miss Cora Chase of Danielson visited friends in town last week.

The Norwich C. E. union will meet with the Griswold society June 5, afternoon and evening.

MAY BASKET

Hung to Pastor and Wife at Bethel Parsonage.

The pastor and wife of the Bethel M. E. church in Griswold were agreeably surprised by the members and friends of the society hanging them a May basket. The friends were caught and invited to the house, where they spent a social hour. The basket was found to contain many of the substantial things of life, which were very much appreciated by them.

Epworth League Elects Officers.

The annual meeting of the Epworth league for the election of officers for the ensuing year was held May 16th. The following officers were elected: President, Ransom H. Young; first vice president, Mrs. Walter Burdick; second vice president, Mrs. Frank Chamberlain; third vice president, Miss Laura Young; fourth vice president, Miss Mary Richmond; secretary and treasurer, Miss Minnie Richmond; organist, Miss Laura Young.

GALES FERRY.

Touching Up Railroad Station—Philadelphia Artist Looking for Suitable Property—Cutting Off Timber.

The work of painting the railroad station at the Ferry was completed this week. The ceiling of the interior has been varnished and the floors oiled.

Mrs. Myrta Mather and Mrs. Frederick Turner of Long Cove attended the marriage of their nephew, Henry Turner Willcox, of Lisbon, and Miss Ellen May Ward of Bozrah at the Leffingwell Baptist church Monday.

The work on the large summer cottage which is being built by George E. Pitcher of Norwich for George Frost of Montclair, N. J., will be completed in about two weeks. It is expected that Mr. Frost will visit his cottage Memorial day.

Mother Goose and Her Family Present.

An entertainment was given by the members of the Kindersinfoine orchestra at the vestry of the Methodist Episcopal church Friday evening. The programme consisted of songs and recitations with a drill by Mother Goose and her family of children in costume. Refreshments were served.

Fitch Dolbeare of Norwich was the guest of Harlan Newbury Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Horace Sears of Jamaica, L. I., who recently purchased the Charles Comstock cottage, moved into their new home last week. Mrs. Sears and son have been guests of Mrs. Delphine Fish for some time.

Miss Marion Pray of Attawaugan was the guest of Misses Grace and Gladys Thompson Wednesday and Thursday.

Artist Bisbing Seeks a Home.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Singlewood Bisbing of Philadelphia were guests of Mrs. Emma Bennett Wednesday. Mr. Bisbing is an artist who has recently returned from Paris and has been looking at places in this locality with the intention of making his home in Connecticut.

Mrs. Fannie Adams Molthrop returned to the village Monday to spend the month of June at her home near Red Top. Mrs. Molthorp has been spending the past few months with relatives in Norwich and New Haven.

Mrs. George Peck of Norwich was a caller in the village Thursday.

The timber on the portion of Gungewamp belonging to the estate of the late Erastus Hewitt of Poquetanuck is being cut by the Gardner Brothers of Norwich.

Alfred Palmer, who is employed in Taftville, visited his grandmother, Mrs. William Lewis, of Allyn's Point Sunday.

Geer Cottage Opened.

The cottage on the bluff owned by Misses Ellen and Lucy Geer of Norwich was opened for the day Wednesday.

Mrs. James H. Belden of Locust Grove, Ledyard, has been visiting relatives in the village this week.

Inspected Yale Quarters.

Secretary Curtiss of Yale University Boat club was in the village Wednesday inspecting the quarters at Broadview, which have been undergoing repairs under the direction of Edward Latimer, who has charge of the buildings.

Jonathan Satterlee and his daughter, Miss Amy Satterlee, who have occupied the J. P. Satterlee cottage in the village during the winter months, removed to their home on the Ferry cove Tuesday.

Mrs. Ellen Allyn of Groton is visiting her niece, Mrs. Charles J. Pierce, at Allyn's Point.

Miss Mildred Scranton of Durham arrived Tuesday to spend the season with her aunts, Misses Amelia and Susan Mathewson.

VOLUNTOWN.

Byron D. Smith Post to Observe Monday as Memorial Day—Foresters Will Honor Their Dead.

Charles E. Maine and George W. Hatch were business visitors to Norwich on Saturday.

Miss Bridget Sullivan of Providence, R. I., was a recent guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Chartier.

Several from this village attended an enjoyable dance at Glasgo Saturday evening. Richards' orchestra of this place furnished music and Charles Chartier prompted.

Mrs. Joseph Paul of Hope Valley, R. I., is a visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Rivers.

John Wright resigned as second hand of the spinning room at No. 4 mill on Saturday.

Mrs. Charles LaChappelle of Williamsville is visiting at the home of her brother, Joseph Bibeault.

Mrs. W. H. Wilcox of Jewett City was a business caller in town on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Maine were called to Hope Valley on Tuesday by the serious illness of Mrs. Maine's sister, Mrs. Edward Boutelle.

The novena being held at St. Thomas' church will close this (Saturday) evening with services at 7.30.

Monday's Order of Exercises.

Monday next, May 31st, will be observed in town as Memorial day. Byron D. Smith post, G. A. R., will leave Union square at 10 o'clock a. m., escorted by the children of the public school and Court Liberty, No. 132, F. of A., and march to Robbins' cemetery, where exercises will be held by the post, after which they will return to the Baptist church, where Memorial exercises will be held. Johnson's Drum corps has kindly volunteered their services for the observance.

Foresters' Memorial Day.

The Foresters of America will also observe Monday as Memorial day. Exercises will be held in Union hall at 9 o'clock a. m., after which they will do escort duty to the G. A. R. After escorting the G. A. R. to the Baptist church they will proceed to St. Thomas' cemetery and recorate the graves of two deceased members.

BOZRAH.

Grange Members Hear Klondyke Trip Described—Guests Entertained During the Week.

Mrs. Sherwood G. Avery is spending a few weeks in New London.

Miss Maria Fargo, Miss Abby J. Woodworth and Miss Annie Peckham of Norwich were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Gager this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Abel and Miss Frances were visitors on Lathrop Hill Sunday.

Varied Programme at Grange.

The Grange meeting was held in the Town hall Wednesday evening, with 25 members present. James Caldwell described his experience and trip to the Klondyke, where he spent four years in search of gold. Red Wings, Apple Blossoms, Old Oaken Bucket and Star Spangled Banner were sung and illustrated by tableaux. Four members were voted on to join the New London County Pomona, which meets with the Salem Grange June 17. The next meeting will be June 2.

Frank Perkins is visiting his sister, Mrs. Mary Sawyer of Bozrah street.

Miss Blanche Smith is spending several weeks with friends in Boston.

Surprise Visit to Miss Adams.

Miss Elsie M. Adams was given a pleasant surprise Monday evening at her home in Fitchville, when a number of her friends paid her an unexpected visit. An enjoyable evening was spent, with various games and musical selections. A luncheon was served. Then dancing was enjoyed in Fitchville hall for an hour, an orchestra furnishing music.

NEW LONDON MARINE MATTERS

The Annual Controversy Over Memorial Day—Major Hull Says the Committee of Fifteen are Alert—Ocean Beach Lights in Favor with Cottage Owners—Death of James Gaffney—Alderman Casey Wins Out.

The owners of the whaleback steamer Bay City, or the insurance people, are out a great many dollars just through favoritism, or something else, in refusing to give the contract to the T. A. Scott Wrecking company of New London to free the steamer from the rocky coast of Block Island. The steamer and whaleback barge Britannia, both coal laden, went hard and fast on the rocks during Sunday night, the 16th. Early Monday morning Scott's men were alongside the stranded vessels and ready to render assistance. The captain in charge of the steamer and barge refused to consider a proposition from the Scott company to float both vessels, stating that the owners had given notice that the work on the steamer was to be given to the Merritt-Chapman Wrecking company of New York, but that the Scott company could work on the barge.

It was explained by the representatives of the Scott company that the steamer, being the more valuable, it would be unwise to work on the barge and ignore the steamer, as the work on both could, in a measure, be carried on at the same time. It was farther explained that the Scott company was at hand with all the requisite wrecking gear and that if the contract went to New York parties there was liability of delay that might prove expensive. But it was no use. The Scott company's men went to work and on Wednesday afternoon the barge was towed into Block Island harbor, ready to be taken to destination in Providence, while the steamer was still pounding on the rocks.

The following Friday the New York wreckers commenced their work on the steamer, which naturally had sustained additional damage. That night there was a severe storm and the steamer pounded heavily, doing more damage. It was Tuesday afternoon before the steamer was hauled free, and by that time the barge was in Providence discharging the cargo of coal.

Had the Scott company been privileged to work on the two vessels the day after they stranded, the steamer would have been towed to Providence with the barge, and in much better condition than at present. But for the staunch build of the steamer she would have been dashed to pieces during last Saturday's storm. But that would not have been the fault of the Scott Wrecking company.

Speaking of marine matters, that's a peculiar mishap that befell the big three-masted schooner Mary Adelaide Randall last Thursday morning before daybreak on her trip from a southern port to New London with a cargo of coal, especially as Captain Randall himself was in immediate charge. The captain has probably sailed vessels in and out of New London harbor as often as any other man, and is generally conceded to be one of the best posted of mariners.

Still in clear weather he piloted his big vessel directly towards the new lighthouse in course of construction on Southwest ledge, and she struck hard and fast on the surrounding rocks.

Captain Randall has not yet explained the reason why, and he probably cannot. Well, he won't have to, as no lives were lost and he owns a large piece of the craft himself. It was one of those unexplainable somethings that occur occasionally during the course of the life of man. After a couple of days on the rocks Adelaide was relefloated and towed in to the wharf of the consignees by the rescuing tugs and her cargo discharged. Considerable damage was done the fine vessel, but, considering the conditions, the loss is comparatively small for the insurance people.

The annual controversy between those in command of Perkins post, G. A. R., and of Camp Cole, United Spanish War Veterans, is revived and in judging the merits there is division of opinion. While Memorial day originated with the Grand Army of the Republic, it is now not only observed by Grand Army members, but by all soldiers of the Civil war, by those of the Spanish-American war, by the Sons of Veterans, sons of men who served in the Civil war, and by the people generally.

When Memorial day became a legal holiday it was set apart in the main for the purpose of showing respect for the soldiers and sailors who risked their lives for country's sake, whether in the Revolutionary, the 1812, the Mexican, Indian, Civil, Spanish or any other war. According to the opinion of some Spanish war vets, that was the intent of legal Memorial day, and therefore belongs to all war veterans alike. Still these same vets are satisfied to open ranks and have the old men of the Civil war pass through and receive special salute and lead in the observance of Memorial day, and none desire to take the slightest credit from these respected men.

In fact, the Spanish-American veterans consider it a pleasure and honor to escort the civil war veterans in parade, but they consider it improper treatment to be compelled to give like honor to sons of these men, nearly all of whom were old enough to answer President McKinley's call for troops, and thus show themselves to be as patriotic as their fathers. The Spanish war veterans were required to do like honor to father or son or withdraw as escort, and this was done a year ago; hence the renewal of the controversy in New London newspapers.

This year, Camp Cole members will observe Memorial day, May 30, by placing flowers on the graves of comrades, being escorted to and from the cemeteries by a local company of the coast artillery corps. On Monday, May 31, Perkins post, G. A. R., with the Sons of Veterans, and under escort of regulars and militiamen will do like service for their honored and heroic dead.

There can be no successor of the Grand Army of the Republic, it being an organization by and for itself, and will live as long as a civil war veteran remains; but Memorial day and the graves of all the soldiers and sailors will be honored to the end of time, by the sons of veterans of some war and by their descendants.

Major Hull in public address declared there was activity in the Committee of Fifteen, that the organized body was not dead, nor asleep, but was alert and watchful, ready to pounce on a certain stamp of vice should it show signs of renewed life. He urged public moral support for the committee, which was essential for permanent reform results. There was evidence that the lid was a trifle raised by a few who take a chance in violating liquor laws, but that there would be a sudden drop of the lid and that the offenders would be caught before they could get under cover.

He said the committee and the people they represent started on a campaign to suppress the illegal sale of intoxicating liquors and that they "would fight it out on that line if it took all summer" and winter, too, and the summer and winter that followed.

The cottagers at Ocean beach are pleased with the prospects of more light at the beach, even if some of the visitors do object to the lighting up of the dark spots. The common council street lighting committee is planning some changes in lights already installed and will make several additions. As the owners of these cottages are at the beach only during the summer season, about all the return they receive for taxes paid is the street light service.

"Recognizing the fact that he was fatally injured and that there was no possible hope for his recovery, the physicians ordered the man taken to Memorial hospital, is the way a local newspaper reported the disposal of the victim of a recent accident. Still, there are some who wonder why so many people die in hospitals; and still others who wonder why some doctors send a dying man to the hospital, away from his friends, instead of to his home and friends.

Retired Policeman James Gaffney, the brave officer and soldier referred to last week in this correspondence, has responded to the final call, and he was buried with Grand Army honors, besides Lieut.-Col. Robert H. Leggett, who was before promotion captain of Company H, Tenth Connecticut infantry, in which Mr. Gaffney served in the civil war. Both men, captain and private, were wounded February 8, 1862, while in the Roanoke island engagement, and at that time their previous friendship was more strongly cemented. When Lieut.-Colonel Leggett's body was brought from New York and buried in the Grand Army plot in Cedar Grove cemetery, more than a quarter of a century ago, Mr. Gaffney expressed a wish that when he died he be buried beside his old-time commander.

Mr. Gaffney enlisted in October, 1861, in Captain Leggett's company, and besides being wounded when at Roanoke Island, he was again wounded ten months later during the fight at Kingston, N. C. He served a full three years and received honorable discharge. Then he was engaged as a mariner until appointed to the police force about twenty years ago, where he served with credit and was retired with honor.

The time was when the first platoon of police on Memorial day were all Grand Army of the Republic members, and besides the badge of their office wore the bronze badge of honor. The police-soldiers were: Capt. George Haven, Lieut. John White, Martin Cullen, John O'Brien, Joseph Walter and James Gaffney. Of this number only Haven and Walter are on the active force. O'Brien and Cullen are retired, and White and Gaffney have passed away. These changes are not at all surprising when it is considered that Captain Haven enlisted in defense of his country just 48 years, 1 month and 9 days ago today.

Alderman Casey, chairman of the street committee, and Charles Booth, foreman of the vitrified brick paving job in State street, have had a run in and, as a result, Mr. Booth, has been transferred by his brother, the contractor, by advice and consent of the father, William Booth, who is said to be the contractor in fact. The committee has an inspector on the job, but the other day Mr. Casey decided to pe-inspect the work and many brick which had passed inspection were ordered rejected. Then came a clash of words that came near resulting in blows.

The alderman insisted that the work must be done according to contract, and that the city would comply fully with its part of the agreement, and that he did not propose to be insulted by the foreman on the job, simply because he endeavored to guard the city's best interests. There happened to be a clause in the contract that specified that the foreman must be removed at the request of the street committee should he be uncivil to the city officials in connection with the contract. The alderman and his committee took advantage of this clause and Foreman Charles Booth went on another job.

GOSHEN.

Interesting Announcements at Church—New Safe for Records—May Basket Party Eludes Capture.

Roger S. Foote of Norwich was a visitor at his old home here, Maple Dell, early this week.

Mrs. Charles Hinckley and son, Ralph C. Hinckley, have returned from spending a few days with friends in Westchester.

Among the announcements Sunday was the Memorial day exercises held at Lebanon Center Monday, and a fellowship meeting (which is one of a series of meetings) to be held at Franklin June 16.

The committee of the Goshen church has bought a new safe for safe deposit of the church records and valuable papers.

May Basket Party.

A number of pupils in the Tenth school district hung a large May basket to their teacher, Miss Clara Gillette, on Wednesday evening. None of the party happened to get caught.

There is promise of the finest crop of native strawberries yet grown.

NORTH STONINGTON.

Local People Attend Ordination of Rev. J. H. Adams—Small Notes of the Week.

Rev. and Mrs. Lucian Druhy, Mrs. D. F. Chapman, Miss Phebe Sheffield and C. C. Gray attended the ordination of J. H. Adams at Pendleton Hill on Tuesday. Mr. Druhy extended the hand of fellowship in the ordination services.

The missionary committee of the Stonington Union association held a meeting at the residence of Rev. Lucian Drury Tuesday afternoon.

Miss Elizabeth W. Whitman is in town.

Mr. and Mrs. B. F. Arnold of Providence have been recent visitors here.

Miss Dora Thompson Maine is executor of the will of her mother, the late Mrs. Catherine T. Maine.

Mrs. Leonard Maine and her son, Allison Maine, are spending a few days at Mount Tom, Mass.

Rev. N. B. Prindle of Preston was in the village Thursday.

Miss Maud Thompson of Pendleton Hill spent Thursday night with the Misses Sheffield.

Rev. and Mrs. J. F. Vought of Waterbury were in this place Thursday.

HAMBURG.

Lecturer's Hour at Grange Devoted to Memorial Exercises.

The topic for lecturer's hour of Lyme grange, No. 147, at its meeting May 26, was "In memory of our soldier dead." A reading, Origin of Memorial Day, by Miss Goldburg, was very interesting. Then followed reading, First Decoration Day Proclamation, Mrs. M. E. Huntley; recitation, The Black, the Blue and the Gray, by Miss Ada Harding; recitation, The Fallen Heroes, Mrs. Nellie Sawyer, which was followed by an address, A Tribute to Our Honored Dead, by Worthy Chaplain Rev. C. H. Frederick. The singing of The Star Spangled Banner and America, followed by an instrumental duet by Mrs. Charles Beebe and Miss Dora Reynolds, was much enjoyed. A veteran of the civil war, Ambrose Miner, was present, of