

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.

LEBANON

Japanese Student at Congregational Church—Misses Hewitt's Lawn Social Largely Attended.

Takajira Haraguchi, a Japanese student of Hartford Theological seminary, visited Rev. E. B. Smith over Sunday and preached morning and evening. A good number from the Baptist congregational were present, as Rev. R. E. Turner takes his vacation this month.

Miss Hattie E. Hewitt gave a pleasant lawn party last Friday evening. The invitation was generally extended and all ages were represented from the youngest member of the Sunday school to the oldest member of the congregation, if not of the town, Miss Lucy Huntington, who was 92 years old last Sunday. She was one of the happy participants in the festivities.

News in General. Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Pletcher are taking an outing at Narragansett Pier.

Mrs. Mary F. Lawton of Providence has returned to her home after a few days' visit with friends in town.

The Lebanon baseball team played the Tatville nine last Saturday on the grounds of the latter, and were victors by the close score of 8 to 7.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred H. Clarke of Franklin attended the First Congregational church Sunday.

Mrs. Julia Y. Plank of South Manchester is visiting Mrs. Anna Perry at Redwood.

Alfred Mason, who has been a student in a business college in Hartford the past year, is spending his vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William A. Mason.

Mrs. Hart Talcott of Hartford is visiting her sister, Miss Ellen B. Huntington, and others at the home of Miss M. E. Dutton.

Mrs. Lillian Binkeslee and two children of Waterbury are visiting friends in town.

Miss Florence Davoll and Miss Edith Willett of Willimantic will spend next Sunday with their classmates, Miss Virginia Loomis, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Loomis.

Leroy Robinson, 12 years old, son of Mrs. Hattie S. Robinson, completed his four years of perfect attendance in school No. 7 last June.

Miss Emma Eldred of South Manchester is a guest at the home of Mrs. Hattie S. Robinson.

Leon Sweet of Washington, D. C. is visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary E. Sweet.

J. Leon Richardson of Hartford is spending part of his vacation with his aunt, Miss Hattie E. Robinson.

MASSAPEAG.

Interests of Local Residents and Their Guests—Prizes for Young Athletes.

Huckleberries are plenty this season and summer residents are taking advantage of the fact.

Miss Clara Adams has returned to New York city after a short stay in Massapeag.

Henry Church, who has occupied the cottage on the Higgins place for the past few years, has moved.

Friday, July 30, was one of the warmest days that the oldest residents in Massapeag remember.

Miss Florence Rodgers returned to her home in Norwich after spending a week with her grandmother, Mrs. Charles Rodgers.

Miss Adele Ehrhart spent Sunday and Monday with friends in Norwich.

Miss Faith Monroe, who has been visiting her aunt, Mrs. Milton Ethridge, returned to her home on Friday evening.

Edmond Ehrhart and Robert Sluachka contested in the races in the Ocean Beach carnival, each boy winning several loving cups as prizes for swimming and canoeing.

Congressman Edwin W. Higgins has returned to his summer home in Massapeag.

Mrs. Dean and family are the guests of Miss Alice Turner.

Desmond Murphy was the guest of Thomas Leahy at Camp Browning on Thursday.

LEONARD BRIDGE.

Boarder's Ring, Lost a Year, on Another Boarder's Toe.

UNCASVILLE

Little Blue Fishing Good—W. R. Burnham Addresses Methodist Congregation—Recent Court Cases.

Over one hundred members of the Methodist Sunday school enjoyed the trip to Watch Hill on the steamer "Little Blue" which left here besides the usual boating and bathing, a baseball game was played and C. M. Beebe and Lincoln Rogers were chosen captains of the lines. The score stood 5 to 3 for the Beebe team.

Rev. H. S. Wilson of Portchester was through the place this week on his way to Nova Scotia, where he will spend his vacation.

Twelve members of the class in Sunday school taught by Miss Eloise Landphere enjoyed a trip to Ocean Beach Saturday afternoon.

Rev. A. J. Wilcox of this place preached at the Chesterfield church Sunday afternoon. The male quartette of the Baptist church, Ray Woodmansee, Fred J. Hope, Guy Loomis and Fred Chapel, assisted in the singing.

Mrs. M. H. Furber was organist. Mrs. Mary Beard of Willimantic is spending a few weeks with her sister, Miss Carrie Parker.

Several local friends, while fishing for little bluefish on the Thames, caught some weighing nearly two pounds.

Mrs. Charles Wilson of Brooklyn, N. Y. arrived Friday to spend the summer with friends in town.

In the absence of the pastor at the Methodist church, Rev. S. F. Maine, who is on his vacation, William B. Walden occupied the pulpit Sunday morning, W. R. Burnham of Norwich, Walden to assist in the services, giving an interesting address which dealt with reminiscences of the founding and building of the church, he being one of those who helped solicit the funds for the purpose.

C. E. Officers. The Christian Endeavor society of the Montville Center church held its semi-annual election of officers Sunday evening and the following are those chosen: President, Frank C. Schofield; vice president, John C. Fellows; secretary, Miss Jennie Switzer; treasurer, Mrs. Paul Giassbrenner; prayer meeting committee, Miss Mary Johnson, Miss Pearl Johnson, Miss Estelle Home, missionary committee, Mrs. J. C. Fellows, Raymond N. Parish, Mrs. Frank C. Schofield; flower committee, Miss Jessie Schofield, Miss Hazel Johnson, Miss Evelyn Connick; the Rev. W. H. Fitts, pastor of the Gardner Lake church, gave an interesting address to the society.

Teachers Appointed. The board of education held its postponed special meeting in the town hall Monday afternoon, at which the appointment of teachers in the Fourth district, or Palmer Memorial school, took place. They are: James E. Murphy of Dover, N. H., principal, teaching the Seventh and Eighth grades; Miss Eloise A. Landphere, Fifth and Sixth grades; Miss N. E. Chapman, Third and Fourth grades; Miss Iva Bartlett, Second grade, and Miss Susie Wood, primary or First grade.

Appeal Filed. The attorney for the town of Montville has filed an appeal at the office of the town clerk against the decision of the commissioners in awarding \$1,000 damage to the property of the Alpha Mills company by changing the grading by the macadam road in front of their land.

Three Justice Cases Heard. Justice of the Peace William Smidgley heard three cases Saturday afternoon. The first case was that of the state against Max Kaplan of Montville Center, in which a fine of \$1 and costs was imposed and paid. The second was state against Jacob Dorogoff, in which a fine of \$1 and costs was found, in which Dorogoff appealed from the decision and was allowed to go under \$5 bonds. The third case supposed to be heard at the same time, Dorogoff against Max Kaplan, recovery for wages amounting to \$100. The court reserved decision.

FRANKLIN

Essex Visitor at House of Great-Grandfather.

Mrs. Theodore Crandall and son Bernard are visiting in Boston.

Miss Lucretia Grace of Norwich is the guest of Mrs. Johnson at Sunny Top.

Traditions of the Old Ladd Homestead.

Miss Isabel Robinson of Essex was in town recently to visit the house built by her great-grandfather, Mr. Ladd, about 200 years ago. At that time the nearest neighbors were Indians and Mr. Ladd's life was once in danger when he was supposed to have killed a missing Indian. The Indian, however, came back before the time for execution. This historic old house is now occupied by Fred Race.

Gustav Lingrin of Brooklyn, N. Y. is spending a month with his uncle, John Engstrom.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hyde were guests at Lakeside Farm on Sunday.

Miss Bolande has returned from a visit in New Haven, bringing with her her nephew, Halsey Kelly.

Mr. Briggs and Mr. Boothby of Lebanon attended church in town last Sunday and sang a duet during the service.

One day this week a cow belonging to Ansel Race fell into a spring hole. Mr. Race had to have his neighbor's help before the cow could be gotten out.

Lloyd Robinson is entertaining Robert Mitchell of Brattleboro, Vt.

PENDLETON HILL.

Mr. and Mrs. James Brooks of Jewett City were guests over Sunday of Mrs. Brooks' mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson.

Master Nelson Wheeler is visiting his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Thompson.

Mrs. Henry Carpenter and grandson, Walter Boardman, are guests of relatives on the Hill.

Mrs. Mabel Childs and daughter have returned to Providence.

John Morgan of Norwich is a guest at Mrs. J. M. Cook's.

Miss Gertrude Treble of Worcester, Mass., is the guest of Mrs. James McNaughton of Granterville.

Miss Katie Barry of Millstone was a Granterville caller Tuesday.

Thomas Manwaring lost a valuable horse Wednesday by paralysis.

NIANTIC

Picnic Season Plans—Mrs. May Pepper-Vanderbilt Speaks at Pine Grove.

The annual picnic of the Methodist Sunday school was held on Wednesday in Clark's grove.

The members of the New England Order of Protection met at the lodge room in Union hall Thursday evening to make arrangements for their annual picnic.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clark entertained over Sunday, July 4, a number of New York, Arthur Miller of Ludlow, Mass., Hattie, Bessie and Will Smith of Deep River. They spent the day at Giant's Neck.

Pine Grove Notes. State day was observed in the grove Wednesday. Over one hundred persons connected with the State Spiritual association came to the Pines. There were services at the pavilion at 10:45 A. M. and 2:30 P. M.

The speaker of the day was Mrs. M. S. Pepper-Vanderbilt of Brooklyn, N. Y., one of the most accurate message bearers on the Spiritualistic platform. Mrs. Vanderbilt has been a grove a number of times in years past and a great many were anxious to hear her again. Mrs. Vanderbilt has been staying at the Boden cottage, Pleasant street, since last Saturday and left Wednesday evening.

John F. Somerret and party of Hartford are occupying the Pike cottage on Broadway.

Dr. George M. Barrett of Center street was in New London Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Colt of Norwich have been occupying the Verner cottage in Laura street.

The livermen of Niantic were kept busy Wednesday by the crowds coming to the grove.

Mr. and Mrs. Gross of Norwich have since last Saturday in Main street for a month.

Mrs. A. T. Boon and Mrs. George A. Boon of Norwich are occupying the Boon cottage on Broadway.

The family of East Hartford are occupying the Pitkin cottage in High street.

William Miller has returned to his home in New London.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hadlock of Hartford are occupying the Taylor cottage.

EASTFORD

Musicals at Parsonage—Union Picnic.

Rev. J. B. King exchanged pulpits Sunday morning with Rev. C. M. Jones of West Woodstock. The latter preached at the Ashford Congregational church in the afternoon.

Over a hundred attended the musical at the parsonage last Friday evening. Cake and lemonade were served.

David Lester Keyes of Henev, S. D., is in town, visiting friends. He was a native of this place. He had been in the west forty years and prospered. His wife died about a year ago. She left beside her husband, a daughter and three sons. The daughter is settled in Latah, Washington.

Miss Alice J. Carpenter has completed her studies at the Willimantic normal training school and obtained a state certificate.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Keen, with two sons, are at Ocean Grove.

Mrs. David Miller and daughter, Ethel, of Providence have been visiting at Welcome Davis'.

Mr. and Mrs. Emerson Lyon of Redville, Mass., with their son and daughters have been camping at Crystal Lake. They were accompanied by the Barnes homestead. The children were guests also of John Jones' family.

Mrs. Alice Lee and son Irving of Rehoboth, Mass., have been guests at Welcome Davis'.

The Congregational, Methodist, and Baptist churches had a union picnic at Crystal Lake on the third. Over three hundred attended.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Barnes and mother, Mrs. Barnes of New Boston, made a visit to Mrs. Prince at the Eastford house, August 2. It was the anniversary of Mrs. Prince's birth. Her son Earle was present.

PRESTON

County Home Children Entertained by A. D. Zabriske.

The Congregational Sunday school held its annual picnic at the church Tuesday. There was a large attendance.

J. C. Atterbery, who is employed in the office of the United States Fishery company, is having two weeks' vacation.

Rev. Frank A. Fuller preached a fine sermon in the Congregational church Sunday.

Mr. John Wilson, who has been confined to her home with erysipelas, is improving.

A. D. Zabriske entertained the children of the County home Saturday at the Barnes homestead. The children were conveyed in two large teams. A fine dinner was served and a good time was enjoyed by all.

Mr. and Mrs. Caleb Ellis have returned to their home in Norwich after staying a time with their son, George D. Ellis of this place.

MOHEGAN.

Garden Damaged by Deer—Town Allows Only \$3—Rev. J. F. Cobb to Address Veterans.

MYSTIC.

Gilbert Transportation Company's Big Contract—School Interests—Rev. H. L. Mitchell a Former Rector.

The Gilbert Transportation company have decided not to alter the bark Silicoon into a schooner, but to keep her as a square-rigged vessel. The large schooner, Levi S. Andrews of this company is not to have a new engine put in, when she will join the fleet carrying stone to the Cape Cod breaker.

Captain Gilbert thinks this contract will keep all their available vessels busy for four years. This company has done much for the business of Mystic. Four years ago the company started with one or two vessels. The fleet now placed end to end would reach from Noank to Mystic. They have built the Gilbert block, the finest building of the kind in the county, outside the cities.

Work on the new school house is progressing. It is expected that it will be ready for the fall schools. The West Side, too, is to have a new school house. That district has a good building committee and a school house will be erected adequate for the needs of the district and at reasonable cost. It is hoped to keep the cost within \$35,000.

Miss Maud Congdon and Miss Abbie Barber are visiting in Mrs. C. E. Staples of Pine Tree farm, Colchester.

Mystic grange held a meeting on Thursday evening. The lecturer's hour was devoted to practicing for meeting at Leitchville tonight (Saturday), when Mystic grange will furnish the programme for the lecturer's hour.

Honors for Dr. C. A. Williams. Dr. C. A. Williams, box of Passaic, N. J., who has been very sick with diphtheria contracted from a patient he was treating at the New York postgraduate hospital, is at the Palmer Hotel in Noank to recuperate. Dr. Williams is a Mystic born and raised boy and his friends are all pleased to learn of his appointment on the staff of the New York postgraduate college and hospital.

Dr. A. B. Nelson of New London came to Mystic Monday and examined John T. Haas for peritonitis. Mr. Haas is a veteran, totally disabled, and all hope was given up for recovery. Dr. Williams is a Mystic born and raised boy and his friends are all pleased to learn of his appointment on the staff of the New York postgraduate college and hospital.

The Rev. H. L. Mitchell, formerly rector of the Episcopal church, who was drowned Tuesday near Noank, had many friends here. He was succeeded by the present rector, Rev. A. C. Jones.

The tennis grounds of the Mystic County club have been put in use, and are used by the members of the club every day.

At a meeting of the Mystic Bridge High School Alumni association at the home of Mrs. Fanny Fish, Monday evening, Jesse B. Stinson was elected president and Miss Mary Donahue secretary. The annual banquet was discussed, but nothing decided about it.

Mystic has a brand new industry, a candy factory.

GOSHEN.

Literary Club Elects Officers—City Boarders Good Customers for Produce.

The Sunday school picnic will be held Tuesday, Aug. 10th, in the chestnut grove on Maple Lawn farm.

Officers of Literary Club. The Literary club met Friday evening. The report of the secretary and treasurer was read and accepted. Officers for the year were elected. Edward W. Jones was chosen president; Archie R. Curry, vice president; Willie Thomas, secretary and treasurer. A number of names were received for membership.

Charles W. Walkingshaw of Springfield, Mass., with his violin, assisted in the music at the Christian Endeavor meeting Sunday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Annie Banks of Brooklyn, N. Y., were a guest at the home of Rev. Marcus Burr.

About forty Hebrew boarders from New York are at the home of S. P. Burr.

Summer boarders are using large quantities of fresh eggs, for which 25 cents per dozen is paid.

Miss Ethel Randall is visiting friends in Willimantic.

The N. P. C. E. meeting is to be held next Sunday at 4 p. m. instead of in the evening. Topic, Why War Should Be Abolished. The meeting will be led by William G. Thomas.

SALEM

New Congregational Pastor Arrives—Newspaper Notes.

Rev. Mr. Sneath of New Haven, who has been secured to supply the pulpit of the Congregational church during the months of August and September, arrived in town on Saturday and conducted services Sunday morning and evening. He is staying at the Hurlburt house.

Rev. E. D. Remington of Colchester conducted services at the Salem Baptist church on Sunday afternoon.

The regular meeting of the Salem grange was held in their hall on Tuesday evening.

Charles S. Johnson and C. Amos Johnson of Norwich were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Ray at Crystal Spring farm on Saturday.

Miss Leah Gifford of New London and Miss Phoebe Rogers of Norwich are guests at Maple Lawn farm.

Mrs. M. R. Siegfried is spending the week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. R. Bailey.

Edith Standish and Mrs. Minnie Standish of Colchester were the guests of their brother, Edgar J. Standish, at Hillside farm this week. James H. Beebe called on friends in Colchester Friday.

Mrs. G. J. Murray was a recent caller in Colchester.

Miss Katie Allen of Colchester is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Houston.

HANOVER.

Greenville-Hanover Game Today—Appointment of Teachers.

Mrs. Annie Covell and her children of East Windsor Hill are visiting her mother, Mrs. Tarbox.

Miss Edith Peck is spending a vacation in Niantic.

Mrs. Roger Peck and daughter have returned to the home of her father, James W. Peck.

NEW LONDON POLICE WANT BETTER PAY

The Annual Convention of State Firemen's Association

IMPROVEMENT OF CITY HALL HELD UP

Ex-Mayor Tinker Says New London Streets were Never in Better Condition—The Launching of the Schooner Florence Howard—The Winthrop Cave Improvement Scheme Causes Differences of Opinion.

The New London policemen want an increase in pay and are getting it in a systematic way. They do not demand the increase, nor do they threaten to strike if it is not forthcoming, so in any event the city is not threatened to lose police protection. The cops hold a business session somewhat and selected a delegation to the police committee of the court of common council. An increase from \$70 to 75 a month is asked for the patrolmen which is equivalent to \$2.50 a day, with an extra day's service thrown in where there are 31 days in the month, with a proportionate increase in the pay of the lieutenant and captain, which would make that of the latter \$1200 a year, or the same as is paid the chief engineer.

The police delegation has handed the committee data showing that the local force is not as well paid as other cities in the state and, on the whole the proposition seems reasonable, for the vested lines which are shown on faithful and honest duty is worth at least \$2.50 a day, or night, as the case may be. A competent police earns ever cent of the salary he receives. There is chance, however, to improve the service of any police force, even the "finest" in any city, not excepting even New York. So if the pay of the New London police is increased the people have a right to expect a corresponding increase in the general efficiency of the service rendered. It would be an opportune time to make some radical changes, that would give the police a better discipline, better make, which would be more satisfactory to the policemen and the people who pay the freight. There certainly is room for improvement in the general conduct of the local police department, which is fully as efficient as many others, but there is chance for improvement just the same.

The annual convention of the State Firemen's association will be held in New London next Tuesday and Wednesday, and the committee representing the several companies of the department are planning to give the visiting delegates a true fraternal firemen's reception. The committee is encouraged in their preparatory work by the appropriation of \$200 authorized by the court of common council. There will be general decoration of the buildings, and the store windows will be filled with relics appropriate to the occasion, some of which will be exhibited in public for the first time. In addition to the general and official reception, the eight volunteer companies will have "open house" to the visitors from the time the first delegate arrives and until after his departure. The visitors will leave New London with a good impression of the city, and will ever refer with pleasure to the whole-souled, generous hospitality of the volunteer firemen of New London.

Although the citizens of New London in city meeting assembled voted that the present city hall building should be remodeled and enlarged at a cost not to exceed \$50,000, Mayor Benjamin Hilliar has declared that he will be nothing doing in that line during his term of office, which ends early in October. At the August meeting of the august body known as the court of common council, ex-Mayor Tinker, chairman of the special committee on proposed enlargement of the city hall, made report, which was accompanied by plans of Architect Sweeney with a cost of \$45,000.

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OLD MYSTIC

Members of Cradle Roll Invited to Aid Society's Supper—Sermon by Farmer M. E. Pastor.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church met Wednesday afternoon and evening with Mrs. William D. Beckwith. The members of the cradle roll were especially invited to be present.

Mrs. Mabel A. Haley has returned home after a lengthy visit with her aunt, Mrs. Maria Jones, of New London.

Miss Emma Williams and Miss Iva Johnson have returned from a month's stay at the summer school at Willimantic Normal school.

Miss Aldeane Clark has returned to Quimburg after a visit to her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. A. Zaphanish Brown, of Pleasant View farm, Leitchville.

Mrs. Charles Q. Eldredge returned to Riverview Saturday from Boston, where she was summoned to attend the funeral of her uncle, Seth Adams Choate, which was held last Wednesday. The widow, Mrs. Choate, returned to Riverview with her niece.

Rev. Frank L. Hayward of Auburn, Me., preached on Sunday morning at the Methodist church, of which he was pastor about twenty years since. He was the guest of his sister, Mrs. Prentice A. Williams.

The Baptist library committee met Wednesday evening with the chairman, Mrs. Eldredge, at Riverview.

Miss Sarah is said to be the only woman lawyer in India. She is said to make a comfortable income by practicing her profession and to encourage other women to follow her example.

reports to the contrary must be wrong. If the sidewalks were only as good as the streets, New London would be a model city in that regard.

The launching of the handsome schooner Florence Howard at Stonington, Wednesday, was far from being successful. After all that had been said, the vessel was released she would not move, until after an hour's delay and actively on the part of the builders she finally slid down the ways and stuck fast in the mud. Still, a local newspaper that is over on the alert to discredit what appears in other newspapers in its report of the launching said:

"The launching was a great success. Sliding smoothly and slowly down the ways, but with increasing speed until her graceful bows dipped for the first time into the old Ocean, she parted gracefully out into the basin a little way and came to anchor in the upper harbor. The grace and beauty of the vessel, lines which are shown on the ways were apparent only to the initiated, were plain enough and pleasing enough to anyone who enjoys the sight of a splendid ship, as she floated out into the harbor.

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