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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.

UNCASVILLE

John J. Driscoll New Fire Warden—Mill of Keyes Process Company Running Full Time—Charles Hill's Funeral.

The board of selectmen has appointed John J. Driscoll fire warden, succeeding G. R. Saunders of Mohegan, who has left town owing to ill health. Mr. Driscoll has qualified for the office and appointed as deputies O. F. Boynton, Henry E. Smith and Donald Meech.

George Hurlbutt of Worcester is spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Rogers.

Mrs. Martin and daughter Ruth, who have been spending two months as guest of Mr. and Mrs. Clark Hummell, returned to the Catskills Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Church are entertaining this week Mrs. Winfield Hanney and children of Salem.

Mrs. William Marsden of New Britain returned home Saturday after visiting relatives here.

The garden of John H. Vallett was entered by thieves and all the pole beans and a quantity of other vegetables taken.

Painful Accident.

J. A. LaBounty, while shoeing one of the C. M. Robertson Co.'s big team horses let the horse step on his foot, crushing it badly. Mr. Labounty has kept at work though experiencing great pain.

Miss Dorothy Robertson of Tracy has been a guest of local relatives.

Miss Susie Saindells of Windsor Locks is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Gilbert.

Howard Vibber and son of Worcester were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Vibber over Sunday.

Walter Dart of Springfield, Mass., arrived Monday afternoon to spend a part of his vacation with his mother, Mrs. Henry Dart.

LeGrand Chappell has resigned as teamsters for the Palmer Brothers and will move to Chestnut Hill September 1st.

Mr. Baker, who has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bartlett, has returned to Providence.

A large number from this place attended camp meeting Wednesday leaving on the 7.15 car.

Running Full Time.

The new drying room and boiler house for the Keyes Process company, which has been in process of building for the past three weeks, is completed and the mill is running on full time. Twelve thousand sheets of the board were turned out Monday ready for shipping.

Mrs. Elizabeth R. Burchard is occupying her cottage this week at the Willimantic camp ground.

Death of Charles H. Hill.

The death of Charles H. Hill occurred at his home in the Pequot village Sunday morning from tuberculosis. He was born in Attleboro, Mass., March 23, 1872, the son of Charles Hill and Josephine Sweet. He has been living in this town about two years.

He is survived by his mother, and a daughter about 7 years of age. The funeral took place Tuesday morning. Burial was in Comstock cemetery.

Various Items.

Mrs. Max Merwitz, after spending a month in town, has returned to New York.

Michael Reaume has been engaged as overseer of the carding rooms at Pequot mills.

Miss Nellie Brouillard, after a week spent visiting relatives in Providence, has returned home.

About $15 was realized from the sale of cake and ice cream held on the lawn in front of Mr. Webster's residence.

Miss Catherine Cray of Holyoke is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Driscoll.

Ernest Auwood has entered a sanitarium at Rutland, Mass., for treatment for tuberculosis.

LEDYARD

Rev. Mr. White Preached Eloquent Sermon—Arthur A. Bennett Moves to Norwich—Substitute Mail Carrier on Duty.

Charles E. Lewis of Norwich was the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Edward Avery, on Monday.

Mrs. Susan Brown of Hartford was a week end visitor of Mrs. Isaac G. Geer.

A large congregation was present at the morning service at the Congregational church on Sunday morning, many visitors being present. Rev. Mr. White delivered an eloquent address, his subject being Sword Peace.

James Collins, who has been attending school at Mt. Hermon, is home with his parents on his vacation. He will re-enter school when the fall term opens.

George Caswell of North Stonington is staying with his brother, Samuel Caswell, of this town.

Arthur A. Bennett, who sold his farm to S. S. Holdridge recently, moved to Norwich on Monday. Mr. Bennett and family have lived in this place for the last twenty-two years. He and his two daughters will be greatly missed in this vicinity.

Miss Nellie Geer left on Thursday for a visit in Nova Scotia.

Watch Case Settled.

The case of Alfred E. Main vs. Ernest Wilcox for the theft of a watch, which was to be tried before Justice Holdridge, has been settled. Grand Juror Frank E. Maynard effecting the same.

John Dickerman is driving the rural mail team on route No. 6, substituting for Mr. Sweeney, the rural carrier, who is on his vacation.

Mrs. Henry Hallock and four children of Wood Haven, N. Y., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. William I. Allyn.

Mrs. W. V. Osborn and daughter, Miss Edna, of New Dorp, N. Y., guests of Mrs. Luther C. Gray, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Beckwith of Franklin Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Williams and daughter of Bellows Falls, Vt., are the guests of Dwight Gallup and family.

SOUTH LYME

August Visitors In and Out of Town.

Mrs. Howard Stickney and daughter Virginia are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. W. Roath.

Almon Champion is the guest of relatives in Essex.

Mrs. Ed Bates and children have returned to New Haven after a visit with her father, F. W. Chappell.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fitzgerald of New Haven are visiting local friends in this place.

Mrs. John Beckwith of New York was the guest of Mrs. W. C. Slate this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Miller and sons of Lyme are the guests of the latter's parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Slate, for a week.

Miss Eliza Eldridge called on friends in this place Wednesday.

Miss Mabel Littlefield was a caller in this place Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Pierce Littlefield entertained Mr. and Mrs. Fred Harding of Sayville Sunday.

Mrs. John H. Champion was a Niantic visitor Saturday.

LEBANON

Echoes of the Big Fire—Endeavor Lawn Sale—Chicken Raising Extraordinary.

The chief topic this week has been the fire Sunday which destroyed the fine residence and all the outbuildings belonging to Mrs. J. P. Abell. The origin of the fire remains a mystery, but it could not have occurred under more favorable conditions in several respects. Had the wind been blowing briskly from either a northerly or southerly direction, all the other dwellings and buildings in its vicinity would probably have been destroyed. Occurring as it did in the midst of the church services, all the men in attendance, as well as all the neighborhood, were quickly on hand to aid in restraining the flames and rescuing the household goods. Both men and women worked heroically to clear the house and to save the Baptist church and other contiguous buildings.

Lawn Fete.

The Congregational Y. P. S. C. E. held a social on the lawn of Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Royall last Tuesday evening. Ralph Royall of New York was present and aided much in getting the grounds ready. There was a variety of entertainments and sports, a moving picture show representing Old Mother Goose in pantomime, a fish pond, candy booth, fortune teller and an auction sale in which ten little Scotch collie puppies were offered to the highest bidders. These were about three weeks old and were decorated with paper ruffled collars. Six of them were sold. The lawn was beautifully illuminated with Japanese lanterns. Ice cream was sold. The attendance was large and the young people cleared about $34.

New System O. K.

A. A. Boothbuy has been experimenting with raising chickens on the Philo system and hatched twenty-five pullets, all of which lived and at five and a half months old are producing an average of fifteen eggs daily. Some of them commenced laying when four months old.

Dr. Adelaide Peckham of Philadelphia is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. P. Fowler, and other friends in town.

Mrs. Mercy Gillette, Mrs. Phoebe Irish and Miss Rose Stadden went on Wednesday, R. I., last week and were guests of Mrs. Sarah E. Gager.

Miss Hattie E. Hewitt spent a few days at Watch Hill last week.

Miss Ruth Miller, daughter of Professor Miller of New York, is visiting Mrs. C. L. Pitcher.

(From another correspondent)

Plans for Sunday-school Picnic—New School Dedication.

The Sunday-school of the Baptist church held its picnic in Allen's grove August 16. A good number were present and enjoyed the dinner of sandwiches, cake, ice cream, lemonade, candy and fruit.

Mrs. Howard Crandall of Wakefield, R. I., is spending some time with Mrs. Phebe Irish.

George Goodwin of Hartford has been spending several days with his brother, C. S. Goodwin.

Mrs. T. D. Blight of Lebanon has silage corn that measures sixteen feet two inches high. They took sixty-two tons from two acres last year.

Mrs. Barrows of Providence has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Louis Taylor.

Erwin Hewitt and family, Arthur Hewitt and wife and daughter, and Everett Hewitt and wife, left town the first day of the week for two weeks' stay at Matunuck Beach, R. I.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Avery and three children of Merrow have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Goodwin.

Miss Bessie Sheffield of Worcester has been visiting relatives in this place.

LEFFINGWELL

Peaches from the Swan Orchard—Baptist Pastor Returns—Sunday School Picnic.

Gilbert Rudd of Norwich and Daniel Crandall of Norwich spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Merton O. Swan.

Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Whiting of Norwich and Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Beebe of West Plains returned Monday night after a delightful auto trip to Saratoga Springs, Lake George and other places of interest. The trip of about 550 miles was made in three days without any accidents or any repair work whatever.

Harlem Dolbeare of Norwich spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. J. Elliott Dolbeare.

Mr. and Mrs. Ames Hall and Misses May and Nellie Hall of Philadelphia are visiting Mrs. Carrie Gardner and Mrs. Ella Beebe.

Mrs. J. K. Jennes and son Sidney returned to Norwich Sunday after spending eight weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Palmer.

Good Sale of Peaches.

One day last week Merton O. Swan delivered eighty baskets of fine peaches to a Norwich market.

Mrs. George W. Rogers returned home Tuesday after visiting several days in Boston.

Rev. and Mrs. J. G. Ward and daughter Gertrude have returned from a three weeks' vacation. Rev. Mr. Ward will occupy the pulpit at the Baptist church Sunday morning.

The Sunday school of the First Baptist church held a picnic at Adam's grove, Gardner Lake, Wednesday. About fifty enjoyed the day, bathing, fishing, etc. At noon a basket lunch was served.

HAMBURG

Mrs. Partch Entertaining Relatives from the West—Other Visitors in Town.

Mrs. Partch is entertaining relatives from the west.

Mrs. Anna Hill and daughter of Middletown are guests on Bill hill.

Ernest Bailey of Essex was a visitor at James Lord's last Wednesday.

Miss Rosa Latham is entertaining a cousin from Montville.

Miss Bertha LaPlace of Hartford is visiting her sister on Bill hill.

Miss Dorothy Daniels has returned from a visit with friends in Rhode Island.

Miss Helen Lester of Hartford is a guest at James Lord's this week.

Mr. Partch and Reginald Lord were sightseeing in New York, Washington and other places the past week.

Miss Mary Hall of Old Lyme was a caller at L. D. Harding's last Wednesday.

GALES FERRY

Richard C. Morse Gives Account of Recent World's Missionary Congress in Edinburgh—State Road Workers Arrives—Local Notes.

Richard C. Morse of New York, general secretary of the International Y. M. C. A., who, with Mrs. Morse were over Sunday guests of his brother, Rev. Oliver C. Morse, gave an interesting account of the recent World Missionary Conference at Edinburgh, which he attended as a delegate, at the Sunday evening service. This was given in place of the usual meeting of the Epworth league.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beckwith of Moodus arrived last week to visit Mr. and Mrs. Cyrus Chapman at Allyn's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett of Gravesend, L. I., visited Mrs. Bennett's mother, Mrs. Mary Stilwell, last week.

Nathan J. Gibbs of Panama and Miss Emma Wright of Auburn, N. Y., are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Nathan A. Gibbs.

Mr. George H. Murphy, who has been spending several weeks with her mother Mrs. Richard Latimer, left Wednesday morning for her home in Sullivan, Ind.

Rufus Hurlbutt, who is taking a vacation from his duties as rural mail carrier attended the Epworth League institute on the Willimantic camp ground last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Curtis and family of Norwich are occupying the Perry cottage on the bluff.

Epworth League Planning for Literary Meetings.

A meeting of the literary and social committee of the Epworth league was held at the church vestry on Monday evening to make arrangements for the first of the series of literary evenings, plans for which the pastor, Rev. C. Wilson Harrison, submitted at a business meeting of the league last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Voorhees and daughters, the Misses Mary and Mildred, who have been visiting for some time past in New York, returned to their home in the village on Tuesday.

Mrs. Fowler and son William of Boston are visiting their uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. John C. Perkins of Norwich at their summer home on the bluff.

Had Picnic Dinner.

Mrs. John Griswold, Mrs. E. H. Tracy, Mrs. W. D. Beckwith and daughter Miss Gladys Beckwith, accompanied by Miss Russell of New London and Mrs. Frieye of Jersey City enjoyed a picnic dinner at the home of their uncle Noyes B. Allyn on Wednesday.

Mrs. Herron of New York is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Rundlett, Jr., of Worcester, Mass., who are spending their vacation at Ravinehurst cottage at Allyn's point.

J. Raymond Perkins, a student at Mount Hermon, Mass., is spending o two weeks' vacation at his home in the village.

A part of the force engaged on the state road work in the town arrived from Ledyard Center on Tuesday and began work on the highway at Chas. Brown's place at Riverview. The men will be stationed during their stay in this locality at the quarters recently erected for them on the Latham Smith place.

Chas. Pierce, Jr., of Maine, is spending his vacation with his mother Mrs. Chas. J. Pierce at Allyn's Point.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Winkler and children who have been visiting Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Fairfield at Allyn's Point, returned on Saturday to their home in Irvinton, N. Y.

Mrs. Curtis Gates and Miss Ethel Merriam of New London were guests of Mrs. Gates' parents Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Perkins on Wednesday.

Miss Katherine Kenelly, who has been the guest for several weeks of Miss Florence Hurlbutt, left Tuesday for New York.

Alfred Bracewell and family, who have been visiting Mr. Bracewell's brother, W. E. Bracewell, returned to their home in Brattleboo, Vt., on Saturday.

Mrs. Harriet Wood with her daughters Mrs. E. H. Bigelow and Miss Nellie Wood, who have been making their annual visit with Mr. and Mrs. Wm. D. Fairfield, returned last week to their home in Webster, Mass.

Mrs. James Gilmore and son Ray of Norwich were guests over Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. Latham Smith.

Dr. Gilroy and son Robert of Mt. Vernon, N. Y., joined their family at the pines for their vacation Saturday evening.

Miss Laura Perkins, who attended the Epworth League institute at Willimantic camp ground as a delegate from the local league last week, returned home on Saturday.

NORTH LYME

Local People Who Attended Stark Family Reunion on Wednesday.

Miss Emily Stark has returned from a week's visit with friends near New Haven.

Curtis Rogers entered the employ of Pratt, Reed & Co., in Deep River, on Monday.

Mrs. Ella Kingsley and children of Salem visited Warren Rogers this week.

Mrs. Mary Fosdick has been visiting her brother, Lawrence Raymond of Montville, this week.

M. J. Stark, Miss Emily Stark, Mrs. Mary Fosdick, Mrs. Katie Jewett, Mr. and Mrs. C. F. Jewett, Hamilton and Miss Helen Jewett, Mrs. Lizzie Rathbun, H. F. Clark, Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Sisson, Jr., Misses Sarah, Gladys and Olive Stark, Mr. and Mrs. N. S. Strong and Charles Stark attended the Stark reunion, held at the Golden Spur inn, Wednesday of this week.

GOSHEN

Endeavor Visitors from Lebanon—Farewell Party for Summer Boarders.

Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Case and son, J. R. Case, of Colchester were callers here Sunday.

Duty Under Difficulties was the Y. P. S. C. E. topic on Sunday evening. The meeting was led by L. M. Jones. There was a good attendance, fifteen coming from the visiting society of the First Congregational church of Lebanon. The meeting was one of interest and helpfulness.

A number from here are spending the week at the Willimantic camp ground.

The summer boarders are leaving for their homes in the city. A farewell social was given in their honor at the home of S. Palues Thursday evening.

MONTVILLE

Recent Outings—Lawn Sale Nets $14—Rev. G. C. Chappell Supplying Pittsfield Pulpit.

A delightful afternoon was spent by the members of Mrs. Fred Phillips' Bible class and guests at Riverside park, New London, last Saturday. The trip was made by trolley.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDonald and Miss Dorothy left Montville Saturday evening for New York where they will make their home.

The Baptist choir met with Miss Nellie Chapman Monday evening for rehearsal. Special music was practiced for September 4th when Dr. A. B. Coates of Hartford will be at the Union Baptist church morning and evening.

Leased Browning Place.

Doctor Taylor has rented the Irving Browning place for the winter. Mrs. Browning will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Walden, near Boston.

Sale Netted $14.

Through the courtesy of Mr. Webster the Baptist Aid society held an ice cream and cake sale on his large house lawn Friday evening. About $14. was realized.

Mr. and Mrs. Farrar of Worcester will make their home in this village. Mr. Farrar being machinist at the Robertson paper mills.

Miss Davies of Norwich has been the guest of Miss Bertha Lyon.

Misses Nettie Gridley and Ethel Boynton and Mrs. Frank Miner, who have been spending two weeks among friends at Harwick and Provincetown, Mass., have returned home.

Cyrenus Hill, aged 37, died at the stone house in Pequot Sunday morning. The funeral was held Tuesday at 10 o'clock, Rev. G. C. Chappell officiating. Burial was at Comstock's cemetery.

To Preach at Pittsfield.

Rev. George C. Chappell went to Pittsfield, Mass., today (Saturday) where he will be the guest of relatives and friends. Mr. Chappell will preach at the Morningside Baptist church Sunday morning and evening as supply. Mr. Chappell has been one of the vacation supplies at this church for a number of years.

Benjamin Lyon who has been ill all summer is somewhat improved.

John Brown and helpers have been cutting the grass at the Chesterfield cemetery.

Misses Maude and Ethel Wood returned Saturday from Blanford, Mass.

A delightful day's outing was enjoyed by a party of young people Wednesday on the steamer Block Island from Norwich to Block Island and return. Misses Lillian Rumwell, Maude Wood, Jennie Wood, Florence Chapman, Marion Henry, Mrs. Everett Chapman and Rev. and Mrs. George C. Chappel composed the party.

Judson Adams, engineer at the Palmer Bros. quilt factory, was taken suddenly ill Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. Charles Turner and daughter, Miss May, enjoyed the trip from New London to Sag Harbor Monday.

Miss Josephine Hart enjoyed a sail to Block Island Wednesday.

FRANKLIN

Lebanon Road Party Go Crabbing—Mrs. Eliza Preston of Denver Calls on Mr. and Mrs. Robinson—Personal Notes.

Miss Alice L. Bridgman of West Hampton is the guest of her aunt, Miss Ellen Leonard.

Quite a large party from Lebanon road went crabbing on Tuesday.

Mrs. Eliza Preston of Denver, Col., was the guest Saturday and Sunday of Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Allen have returned after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Hermon Gager.

Mrs. Thompson of Berlin and Mrs. Stone of Northampton were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ayer.

Mrs. Fred Swift of Willimantic, Mrs. Will Adams and Miss Bernice Adams of New Haven were entertained on Tuesday by Mr. and Mrs. S. N. Hyde.

Mr. Talbot of Moodus was entertained on Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Hibbard of North Windham were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Ladd.

Mrs. Irene Green of Hampton, Mrs. Hattie Burdick and daughter of Willimantic were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Burdick on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Robinson entertained on Sunday Mr. and Mrs. DeWitt Kingsbury of South Coventry.

Mrs. Frank Barber of Plain Hill was a recent visitor at Lakeside farm.

The service on Sunday will be omitted at the Congregational church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ezra Bailey of Windsor Locks are spending a few weeks at their summer home.

Mrs. Winfield Snow is the guest of her brother, Walter Vail.

Joseph Griffin, formerly of this place who has now just returned from the west, is visiting at Fred Kingsley's.

LEONARD BRIDGE

Visitors from Prairie State—Local People on Vacation Trips.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Washburn of Bloomington, Ill., are at F. J. Brown's.

Mrs. J. Nelson Geer is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Arthur J. Stevens, of Providence.

Mr. and Mrs. William Kneeland and daughter Jeanette of Hartford are visiting Mr. Kneeland's parents, Judge and Mrs. A. G. Kneeland.

Mr. and Mrs. F. J. Brown spent Monday and Tuesday as guests of Mr. Mary Porter at Crescent Beach.

Misses Roby and Ruth Williams are visiting their aunt, Mrs. Walter Gillette, of Providence.

Miss Tilley of Providence is visiting Mrs. Kenneth Cummings.

Mrs. Martha Smith and Miss Esther Smith of East Haddam were at E. P. Kneeland's Tuesday. Miss Smith will remain for several days.

Mrs. Luther Spaulding and daughter Flora left today (Saturday) for a week's visit with Mrs. Spaulding's brother, C. G. Cobb, of Norwich.

Miss Nettie Williams is spending several days with her aunt, Mrs. N. C. Baker, at Lebanon Center.

Lavinia Kneeland and Esther Smith were in Columbia Thursday, guests of Henry Kneeland and family.

A. C. Williams' family of Lebanon spent Wednesday at Maple Corners.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Robertson of East Norwalk are spending some time with Mrs. Robertson's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Spaulding, at Maple Corner.

GARDNER LAKE

William Vanderlieth and Mrs. Pauline Dressler have returned to New York.

Miss Marguerite Schnorr and her grandmother, from Brooklyn, N. Y., are visiting O. F. Boynton.

Mr. and Mrs. Fitch A. Dolbeare recently visited local relatives.

Dr. Richter and family of New York are visiting local relatives.

A. S. Gold and a friend from New York are camping on C. H. Bailey's shore.

OLD MYSTIC

Social and Personal Notes—Summer Hospitality—Local People on Outings.

Miss Nellie F. Schoonover delightfully entertained one afternoon last week Misses Florence and Agnes Dodd of New York, Miss Marion Gardner of New Jersey and Misses Rachel and Josephine Burnett of Brooklyn, N. Y.

A good delegation from the First Groton Baptist church, Old Mystic, was in attendance at the funeral of Mrs. Melinda Wheeler, widow of Nelson Wheeler, Thursday, August 18, at her home in Mystic.

Mr. and Mrs. Abel H. Hinckley, Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Siswick and little son Hobart were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Siswick at Lord's Point.

Mrs. Alpheus H. Schoonover, Miss Aceline E. Dean of New York, Miss Mary Harris Dean of Old Mystic and brother James Dean of California were at Shelter Island Friday.

Miss Blanche Brown did not go to Willimantic last Wednesday to compete for the gold medal at the medal contest held there under the auspices of the W. C. T. U.

Outing at the Beach.

Misses Gladys M. Olmstead, Esther Barnes, Viola Eldridge, Hazel Clyde, Alma Dewey, Maude Williams, Fay Johnson and Elinor Chesbro, chaperoned by Mrs. Jeptha M. Olmstead, left Saturday morning for two weeks' outing at Crescent beach.

Deacon and Mrs. William D. Beckwith entertained last week Mr. and Mrs. William Gallup, Lee Gallup and sister, Mrs. Briggs of Birmingham, Ia.

J. Alpheus Schoonover has returned to New York after two weeks' vacation spent at Elmhurst with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alpheus H. Schoonover.

Mrs. Raymond and son Morris have returned to East Great Plain after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Calvin H. Hoxie.

Mrs. Felix Lyman, Mrs. Harry Van Yorx and daughter Bernice of Bridgeport spent Saturday and Sunday with Miss Susan N. Babcock and sister, Mrs. Wallace A. Phillips.

Mrs. Sherwood R. Swan and grandson, Raymond King, Mrs. Henry Karoll and Perry Swan of Preston City were guests during the week of Mr. and Mrs. John W. Shank.

Earl Walbridge of Fishers island was a Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Kennedy.

William Gallup of East Great Plain is visiting his sister, Miss Lucy Gallup.

Mr. and Mrs. Orson Pulver and three children have returned to Hillsdale, N. Y., after a visit at Mrs. Pulver's parents, Hon. and Mrs. Silas B. Wheeler.

Miss Nellie F. Schoonover was an over-Sunday guest of the Misses Dodd at their summer home at Quonocontaug beach.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Babcock of Plainfield and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Exley of Poquonnoc were calling recently on their cousins, Susan H. Babcock and Mr. and Mrs. John R. Babcock.

John Mitchell of Norwich was calling Sunday on his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Dennis.

Returns from Plantsville.

Mrs. Margaret Johnson of Plantsville a native and long time resident of this village, has returned here and will reside at the home of John W. Burrows.

Mrs. John E. Spofford and daughter Theodora and guest, Miss Mamie McGoerty of Brooklyn, N. Y., visited Sunday with relatives of Mrs. Spofford at Noank.

Calvin H. Hoxie was an over Sunday guest of friends at Browning's beach.

Mrs. Huldah May Dewhurst of Chicago has returned to her summer cottage at Greensborough, Vt., after a visit to her father and sister, Hon. Amos B. Taylor and Mrs. Lillie Taylor Gallup.

Visitor from Meriden.

Mrs. Edgar Tourgee of Meriden, who has been visiting Mr. Tourgee's mother, Mrs. Ruth Tourgee has left for a visit to relatives at Mystic, Stoning ton borough and Norwich, whence she will return to Meriden.

James Dean of California is the guest of his mother and sister, Mrs. James Dean and Miss Mary H. Dean.

Miss Mary Belle Gray has returned home after eight months' visit to relatives in New York.

Elijah D. Morgan, a native of this village, now a resident of Hartford, was calling a few days since on friends in Mystic.

Mrs. Charles Q. Eldredge, Mrs. Henry Chesbro and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Denison were among those who attended the concert in Central hall, in Mystic, for the benefit of the Village Improvement society.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Miller have returned to Jewett City after a visit to local relatives.

Miss May Purcell and sister, Miss Elizabeth, have returned to Hartford, after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. George Phillips.

Mr. and Mrs. Godfrey and son and Mrs. Bentley and child have returned to Yantic after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. William R. Hull.

NORTH STONINGTON

Wednesday Club Continues Study of Browning's Poems—Close of Playground.

William E. Stewart has returned from the Backus hospital, Norwich, where he went for treatment.

Mrs. Minnie Sheffield and daughters, Misses Phebe and Grace Sheffield, have been visiting at Narragansett Pier and Providence.

Luke Hillard of Boston and Paul H. Hillard of Westerly passed Sunday in this village.

George Vredenburg has entered the employ of Edward Main and moved into the house recently vacated by C. P. Miner.

Wednesday Club's Session.

The Wednesday club this week took up the study of Robert Browning's poem, Abt Vogler, which was read by Rev. Lucian Drury. Professor Bristol of New York university and Mrs. Bristol were present.

Rev. F. M. Hollister officiated at the funeral of Elias Miner in Anquilla on Wednesday.

Close of Playground Season.

The summer playground was closed for the season Friday with a picnic for the children who have enjoyed its pleasures during the past two months.

Rev. Lucian Drury will preach in Laurel Glen chapel Sunday.

Rev. J. G. Stanton and family of Moosup are visiting at the home of Mrs. Stanton's father, Charles H. Maine.

PRESTON

Many Attend Baptist Sunday School Picnic.

The Baptist Sunday school held its annual picnic at Ocean Beach Wednesday. There was a very large attendance.

Mrs. John McKinley of Norwich is visiting Mrs. Ernest Kennedy.

Miss Abbie M. Stanton has returned to work in Versailles after a ten days' vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson have returned after a visit with relatives in New London.

Miss Florence B. Peckham returned home Friday, after a visit in New Haven and Hartford.

NEW SIDEWALKS FOR CITY OF NEW LONDON

Opposition to Proposed Improvements in State Street—Work of Repaving Bank Street Resumed After an Unnecessary and Costly Delay—New Story About the Old Revenue Cutter James Campbell, Formerly Stationed in New London Harbor—The Passing of Fort Trumbull as a Military Post—Lawley Shipyard at Boston to be Transferred to New London—Political Rumors and Gossip.

After working through an appropriation for repaving Bank street, from State to Howard streets, and for the building of sidewalks for the entire distance on both sides of the street, and the contract awarded and the big job actually commenced, there was a hold-up by order of Mayor Mahan in the hope that the street would be ridden of the unsightly poles and that all the wires would be laid under ground. There were meetings of the street and sidewalk committees and representatives of the corporations interested and the prospects of having this work done were so encouraging that it was decided not to proceed with the work until near the end of the summer season, which is about this time.

But there came a change in conditions that has not been publicly explained and the work that should have been completed was commenced again this week and the wires are not to go into conduits and the unsightly poles remain. Therefore the delay was unnecessary and the responsibility has not been placed, although the city paid out good money to undo what had been done by the contractor of the paving.

The work was commenced again Monday and by Tuesday night all the old pavers between Howard street and Lane A, on the east side of the street were taken up and the work of preparing the roadbed for the paving commenced. As the new pavement is to consist of the old blocks being halved the long way and reset in cement, the work necessarily moves slow in comparison with the laying of the regulation size pavers and in the ordinary way. All the merchants in the long and busy street will be more or less inconvenienced while the work is being carried on and of course public travel will be impeded. Therefore the hope prevails that no more of the street than is absolutely necessary shall be torn up at the same time, and that sections will be completed before another is opened up.

To those not versed in pavement laying the stretch from Howard street to Lane A, is longer than is necessary for the sized gang that will engage in the work, and it has been suggested that not over one thousand feet of one side of the street be opened at any one time, a plan that will be less inconvenienced only to the extent that is absolutely necessary.

It is presumed that the laying of new sidewalks will be carried forward at the same time, and under the new city ordinance that property owners shall pay one half of the cost of the sidewalks and the city the balance. There is liability of opposition to this plan by some of the property holders who are satisfied with the present sidewalks in front of their premises, and who have doubts as to the legality of the ordinance which compels them to bear half the expense. The contract for this work was awarded several months ago and the contractor is in readiness to lay the new curbing and build the sidewalks and the work will go forward regardless of consequences, unless prohibited by process of law.

There certainly is need for new sidewalks in front of nearly every piece of property on the street, and the sidewalk committee and the mayor are of opinion that the action taken is clearly within the province of the new ordinance and that it will stand any law test in the courts of the state.

While there have been no serious objections filed by Bank streeters in this matter conditions are different in regard to the proposed new sidewalks in State street, for which contract has been awarded and plans made to commence the work. In this street some property owners who claim to have good sidewalks openly object to the new conditions and are organizing to defend what they consider to be their rights. The principal opposition to the new sidewalks under the proposed plan in State street is led by Ex-Mayor George F. Tinker, who declares that the court of common council has no right to issue the sidewalk orders under the new ordinance, and adds that if the city proper insists on the new walks that it is up to the city to settle the cost and without the assistance of the property owners in State street alone.

Mr. Tinker is not a resident or property owner in State street but he has taken the lead in the opposition because he believes he is right and in this respect he approves of the motto of Davy Crockett, "Be sure you're right, then go ahead." Mr. Tinker was opposed to the adoption of the ordinance as was also Ex-Governor Waller and other citizens of prominence, mainly on the ground that the ordinance was unconstitutional.

That Mr. Tinker is sincere in his belief is manifested in the interest he takes in the enforcement of the ordinance in the State street proposed improvement, and at that the gentlemen is noted for his progressiveness and his public spirit; therefore his opposition is not without some weight. At this writing the sidewalk committee was arranging for a public hearing on the petition of Mr. Tinker and other signers of the document.

Mayor Mahan is the man on horseback in the matter of public improvements and he is perhaps responsible for the repaving of Bank street and the movement for new sidewalks in Bank and State streets, appreciating that there is actual need of the same, it being conceded by everybody in the city that the sidewalks are in a deplorable condition as a while and a disgrace to the city, a blot on the escutcheon of civic pride and a setback to the popular idea that there is genuine effort to make New London a city beautiful. So it would not be at all surprising if the mayor led in the forensic engagement with the oldest living ex-mayor when the matter of new sidewalks for State street is up for public discussion.

The United States ship Iowa has just returned from a foreign cruise and with five prisoners who mutinied on the high seas on board a New Bedford whaling schooner with a Portuguese name. This if itself is of no special local interest, but when it is known that the whaling vessel was formerly the revenue cutter James Campbell and for years stationed in New London harbor it is a story of another shade. The Campbell was certainly here at the outbreak of the civil war, and that was forty-nine years ago, and just how long before that period the deponent knoweth not, but it is positively known that the Campbell was then a long distance from being a new vessel. When steam vessels supplanted sailing vessels in the revenue cutter service the old Campbell was sold and in 1876, the Centennial year, was converted into a whaler and has been engaged in the whale fisheries ever since.

Without doubt the oldest surviving member of the crew of the Campbell is Anthony Jerome who has been for a great many years the janitor at the custom house and perhaps the youngest survivor is Richard C. Morris, ex-United States marshall, who served for a time as cabin boy on the Campbell. Her long term of service shows that the Campbell was a strongly built craft, but when compared with the modern revenue cutter of today it is on the same plan as a mud scow to an ocean passenger steamship. The Campbell's anchorage was off the custom house wharf so called, and she was there for so many years that the spot was charted by local mariners as Beefbone Reef and it is known to some of the older salts by that name to this day.

The Campbell was schooner rigged, a trim looking craft and a fast sailer and was the pride of New London harbor which was her station for many years, and the water front boys of that period tipped their caps to Captain Clark and later to Captain Carson as they stepped ashore from the cutter's boat every member of the crew a New Londoner.

At that period there were no steamers in the lighthouse department service and the bouy setter schooner was as well-known in the harbor as the cutter.

Captain John Keeney was her commander and he had the reputation of being the best boatman that ever stood at a wheel and knew the coast so well that he was considered an invaluable man for the service, which required skill and knowledge to handle the craft in close proximity to lighthouses and in placing guides to navigation. Captain Keeney was an old-time smackman and it is said of him that he would lay-to and never fish on a Sunday. Nor was he required to take the schooner out on the Lord's day, but always moored at the custom house wharf.

When the sailing vessels on the New London station was discarded, Captain Keeney was assigned to her successor, the steamer Cactus and he commanded that vessel for several years. Orders came for the Cactus to do Sunday service, which the experienced captain was satisfied was not necessary, and he declined to break his iron-clad rule not to work his vessel or crew on a Sunday and he resigned and retired to private life, failing to be a happy man. He was the father of Dr. Wallace Keeney and of Mrs. Frank Phillips.

With the passage of these two vessels from the service and also of their commanders, a type of craft and mariners that once made New London living to be proud of, a page of history that can only be perpetuated by occasional references of this nature.

The revenue cutter training ship Itasca is back in port and as soon as the revenue school is transferred from Arundel Cove, Maryland, to Fort Trumbull, this port will be the headquarters for the training ship as the beautiful vessel is used in connection with the school and on board of which the cadets are given practical training in seamanship. The Itasca now fills the place once supplied by the old bark Salmon P. Chase and it was aboard that vessel the young men trained for the service made in their training cruises, but not until after they had served at least two years in the merchant marine, which was a requisite for admission to the revenue marine school then located at New Bedford.

The formal transfer of Fort Trumbull from the war department to the teasury depatment has not yet been made, although the old fort has now but comparatively few soldiers, just enough for a property guard and care for the property and perform the necessary military formalities and ceremonies, such as the firing of the big gun at sunrise and sunset and raising and lowering the flag at the prescribed times. It is understood that before the frost covers the ground the reservation will come within the jurisdiction of the treasury department, all the soldiers withdrawn and Fort Trumbull cease to be a military post. When this is done there will not be a regular army military post within the borders of the state of Connecticut.

The rumor that the Lawley shipyard at Boston is to be transferred to New London has been renewed the present week and now it is semi-officially stated that there is substantial basis for the rumor and that it has become a fact that this established industry is to locate in New London, and in the Fort Neck section. The story goes that the Lawleys are to get control of the New London iron works and increase that plant materially. Negotiations are said to be almost closed for the purchase of the adjoining water front property which extends to the government reservation of Fort Trumbull. This property has been closely examined and competent judges declare that it is peculiarly adapted for a large shipbuilding plant as well as a basis for the storage of yachts, convenient to the repair yard, and where work could be done on yachts when out of commission and in winter quarters.

The Lawley company is one of the oldest in the country engaged in the building and repairing of yachts, and other vessels, and has been a leading industry in that line in Boston and one of the best known on the