

KEEPS UP WITH THE DEPARTMENT

Ex-Chief William M. Williams in Touch With all Equipment From Hand Engines to Autos—Early Days of West Side Engine Co. Told by a Former Resident, J. W. Loomis.

There are few ex-fire-chiefs today who can boast of having ever been in touch with the department from the time of the old hand engine to the latest thing in auto apparatus. Norwich has but one living ex-fire-chief, but he is active and enthusiastic over department affairs, though he is unable to get to as many fires now, in his 85th year, as he did when chief.



EX-CHIEF WILLIAM M. WILLIAMS.

More particularly the pump and hose apparatus. After leaving the department his interest never ceased and he was greatly interested at the time it was changed to a paid department and secured horses for the apparatus. He has ridden on some of the chemical wagons, but this week made his record thoroughly up to date, as he took a trip on the auto chemical on one of the practice trips.

SODALITY WON IN ALL THE CONTESTS.

Had an Easy Time With St. John's Society and Given Royal Entertainment.

Just fifty members of St. Joseph's Sodality journeyed to New London Thursday evening and made a clean sweep of things in the first meeting of the tournament with St. John's Literary society of that place.

SOCIALISTS ELECT OFFICERS FOR SIX MONTHS

Local Norwich of the socialist party met on Thursday evening for its regular weekly gathering in the Stead building, having a good attendance, as the election of officers added special interest to the meeting.

DELTA ALPHA CLASS ENTERTAINED

The Delta Alpha class of the First Baptist church was entertained at the home of its teacher, Mrs. F. O. Cunningham, 23 Pearl street, Tuesday evening.

DIED.

BISHOP—In Woodstock, March 27. Ellen Wheeler Bishop, widow of Sherman B. Bishop, aged 71 years.

DELANEY—In Jewett City, March 28. Mrs. John C. Delaney.

M'LELLAN—In Norwich, March 28. Mrs. Mary E. McEllen, aged 43 years.

Simple Remedy for Kidneys

Mix one half ounce fluid extract buchu, one half ounce murax compound, six ounces good pure gin. Take one to two teaspoonfuls of the mixture after each meal and at bed time.

ORDER HOME MADE GRAHAM BREAD FROM CARDWELL'S

JEWETT CITY HOTEL New and Up-to-date in every particular. IRA F. LEWIS, Proprietor.

William M. Williams Engine company until the paid company was placed there. He recalled on the occasion of this visit to the house the vast improvement that had been made and referred to the fact that the name of the company, which was cut in stone and placed over the door of the steam engine house had to be done twice, as the first one was lost in the Connecticut river.

Old Hand Engine Days.

In this connection, James W. Loomis of Plainville, Mass. writes interestingly of the hand fire engine days on the West Side over fifty years ago. In a letter to a friend here he writes this for The Bulletin: I am going to give you some news about old Norwich's hand fire engine department, and more especially our favorite Neptune No. 5 of East Chelsea, notoriously, which proudly bore the motto:

"Work me well and keep me clean. I'll take the butt of any machine." Of this her crew felt very proud, for the old favorite was never washed and she never refused the butt of any machine.

There were three Loomis boys on No. 5 that day who helped to win the two \$20 gold pieces, also helped to put new brooms in the sockets that held the torches. The three Loomis brothers are now living, which I believe cannot be duplicated. John W. Loomis, born April 8, 1836, at Norwich, is living at Bridgeport; James W. Loomis, born June 15, 1838, at Norwich, is living at Plainville, Mass., and Charles A. Loomis, born October 25, 1842, at Norwich, is now living at Hartford.

AERO VIEW OF NORWICH HAS BEEN PREPARED

Second One Finished 35 Years After the First—Every Street and Building as Seen from the Clouds.

Hughes & Bailey of Cambridgeport, Mass., sketch artists, have just completed a remarkable work in the form of an aero view of Norwich and vicinity, which shows every house, private or public, street, and square of all streets. The drawing represents a 3 months' work and is made in free-hand pen and ink and is 49 by 59 inches.

BOYS' WEAR

Boys' Silk-lined Golf Caps—Anniversary Price 30c, regular price 50c. Boys' Knickerbocker and Bloomer Trousers, sizes 4 to 16—Anniversary Price 35c, regular price 50c a pair.

NATIONALITY NIGHT AT THE ELKS HOME.

Everything Was French—Provided by Members of That Descent.

Third in the list of "nationality nights" at the Elks home for Norwich lodge members, French night, on Thursday evening, closed right up with the successful social seasons previously engineered by the German and the Irish members of Norwich lodge, No. 430. The programme which they provided made a jolly evening for about 150 of the members of the lodge, who pronounced French night as one of the best ever.

Norwich Business in Bankruptcy.

Gaib Brothers, who conducted a grocery and meat market at Norwich, have filed a petition in bankruptcy in the United States district court, showing the firm's liabilities of \$3,137.06, of which \$1,124.45, including \$1,000 stock in trade, \$1,333.92 of open accounts, \$700 in wages, etc., \$4 in bank and \$25.27 cash on hand. The partners have no individual liabilities and one has \$5 assets and the other \$33.35.

Runs Loom by Hand.

I. Rosanna, a manufacturer of sweaters, moved his place of business this week to the D'Alomba building on Franklin street. While Mr. Rosanna's plant is one of the smaller manufacturing concerns of the city, running his loom by hand power, he is doing a good business with prospects of enlarging.

The Porteous & Mitchell Company Our 39th Anniversary Sale

Will Continue Today and Tomorrow With Complete Assortments of Anniversary Offerings

Every department in the store is represented amongst the Special Anniversary offerings and in every instance the merchandise offered comprises only the newest and most staple kinds of spring goods.

Then Make It a Point to Attend This Anniversary Sale Today

You'll find that every item advertised is prominently displayed on our counters, and special price tickets will help you locate the Anniversary offerings.

MEN'S WEAR

Anniversary specials in Men's Neckwear, Suspenders, Hosiery, Shirts, Underwear, Suits and Top Coats. Men's New Spring Neckwear, in all the leading shapes and colorings—Anniversary Price 35c, regular price 50c.

COTTONS, ETC.

4-4 Brown Sheeting—Anniversary Price 53c, value 75c. 4-4 Brown Sheeting—Anniversary Price 73c, value 100c. 4-4 Bleached Sheeting—Anniversary Price 75c, value 100c.

WASH GOODS

All our Best Quality Dress Prints, including Indigos, Silver Grays, Black and White, Fancies and Light Shirting Prints—Anniversary Price 5c, regular price 7c a yard.

WOMEN'S WEAR

Anniversary Offerings of Women's Suits, Coats, Dresses and Waists—Remarkable values. Women's and Misses' Tailored Suits, newest spring models, and in all the fashionable colors.

TABLE LINENS, ETC.

60-inch Satin Finish Table Damask—Anniversary Price 25c a yard. 70-inch Satin Finish Table Damask—Anniversary Price 48c a yard, value 65c.

BOYS' WEAR

Boys' Silk-lined Golf Caps—Anniversary Price 30c, regular price 50c. Boys' Knickerbocker and Bloomer Trousers, sizes 4 to 16—Anniversary Price 35c, regular price 50c a pair.

LACE DEPARTMENT

Anniversary Offerings of Laces, Embroideries, Trimmings, Neckwear, Etc. All Linen Cluny Lace Edgings, all widths—Anniversary Price 5c a yard, value 10c and 12 1/2c.

DRESS LININGS

Best Quality Kid-finish Lining Cambric—Anniversary Price 5c. 36-inch stationery, very lustrous finish, in a full line of colors, regular price 25c a yard—Anniversary Price 15c.

WOMEN'S SWEATERS

Women's and Misses' Coat Sweaters—Anniversary Price \$2.39, regular price \$3.00. Women's and Misses' Coat Sweaters—Anniversary Price \$3.39, regular price \$5.00.

HOSIERY SPECIALS

Some of the best values for Anniversary Week are in the Hosiery Department. CHILDREN'S Past Black Ribbed Hosiery, full seamless, sizes 6 to 12—Anniversary Price 8c, regular price 10c a pair.

INITIAL HANDKERCHIEFS 8c

Men's Joponette Handkerchiefs, with initial, all colors—Anniversary Price 8c, regular price 10c each.

CHILDREN'S DRESSES

Children's New Spring Dresses, of chambray, percale and plaid ginghams, latest spring style, sizes 2 to 6 years, regular price 75c—Anniversary Price 50c.

KNIT UNDERWEAR

Two cases of Women's Summer Weight Ribbed Pants, knee length and lace trimmed, both regular and extra large sizes—second quality of 25c and 20c Pants—Anniversary Price 19c.

CARPETS, ETC.

27-inch Naper Stair Carpet—Anniversary Price 33c, regular price 45c a yard. 100 Mottled Axminster Rugs, size 27x34 inches—Anniversary Price \$1.29, regular price \$1.75.

DRESS GOODS

36-inch, strictly All-wool Imperial Serge, 12 spring colorings—Anniversary Price 39c, regular price 50c a yard. 50-inch Sullied, white ground with black stripes—Anniversary Price 39c, regular price 50c a yard.

HOUSE DRESSES, ETC.

Women's One-piece House Dresses, materials are percale and ginghams, in light and dark colors, made with high and Dutch neck, regular price \$1.00—Anniversary Price 85c.

WINDOW DRAPERIES

Yard-wide Curtain Muslin, pretty patterns for Sash and Long Curtains—Anniversary Price 7 1/2c, regular price 10c a yard. Opuscu Window Shades, eight good colors—Anniversary Price 19c, regular price 25c each.

UMBRELLAS

Umbrellas, sizes 26 and 28-inch for Men and Women, piece-dyed taffeta covering—Anniversary Price \$1.50, regular price \$2.00. Umbrellas for Men and Women, sizes 26 and 28-inch, all silk and yarn-dyed taffeta covering—Anniversary Price \$2.98, regular price \$3.50.

NEW SILKS

21-inch Striped Japanese Silk, washable—Anniversary Price 29c, regular price 35c a yard. 27-inch Striped Silk Voiles, washable—Anniversary Price 29c, regular price 35c a yard. 27-inch Striped Silk Eolienne, washable—Anniversary Price 29c, regular price 35c a yard.

SMALL WARE DEPT.

Women's Wide Silk Elastic Belts, in black and colors, regular price 50c—Anniversary Price 29c. Celluloid Dressing Combs, in white and colors, regular price 25c—Anniversary Price 15c.

LONG GLOVES 59c

Women's 16-Button Length Long Silk Gloves, in both black and white, and in all sizes—Anniversary Price 59c, regular \$1.00 value.

CANDY DEPARTMENT

An Anniversary Special—Chocolates, including Butter Creams, Fruit Cake, Cream Raisins, Coconut Squares, Belmont Coconut Creams—Anniversary Price 25c, regular price 40c a pound.

NEW SILKS

21-inch Striped Japanese Silk, washable—Anniversary Price 29c, regular price 35c a yard. 27-inch Striped Silk Voiles, washable—Anniversary Price 29c, regular price 35c a yard. 27-inch Striped Silk Eolienne, washable—Anniversary Price 29c, regular price 35c a yard.

The Porteous & Mitchell Company