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The Bulletin Norwich, Monday, Dec. 27, 1915. VARIOUS MATTERS The first of the Leap Year festivities will be held on Saturday next.

There was much undignified chasing of hats during Sunday's sale. Fifty printed calling cards for 25 cents at The Bulletin office—adv.

Mills and factories which closed for the holidays will resume work today. There were many skaters on Bushnell's pond, Thamesville, during Saturday.

Uncle Horace Johnson made a wrong guess in promising a Christmas day "remarkably fine."

The list of contributions for the Serblans, published Sunday, included: Fr. Cl. New London \$25.

The children will be able to use their Christmas sleds on some of the hills, as the result of Sunday's near-bizzard.

Many a Christmas umbrella which went to church decorated, fell by the wayside after the big blow had started.

Norwich friends have received holiday greetings from Mrs. Bertha Hirsch, now in Philadelphia lecturing and visiting.

Patrons on some of the trolley lines made Christmas day pleasant for the car crews by paying double fares, making the men gifts of cigars, etc.

L. B. Kenyon, of Rockville, R. I., who brought a party to Norwich in his automobile last week reports the road to Voluntown in very bad condition.

Postponed to Thursday evening, the Sunday School entertainment of Trinity Methodist church will be held, with Christmas trees, masquerade, music, etc.

The sudden storm of snow and ice which fell on the city on Sunday, kept the birds and they will need some friendly hand-outs till the thaw comes.

Important changes of passenger train schedules went into effect on the New York, New Haven and Hartford railroad at 12:00 noon Sunday, December 26.

The collection at the Sunday evening service of Trinity Methodist church will go to the Connecticut Food Ship which will sail this week for the relief of the Belgians.

Some of the local dealers in New York papers lost from two to five dollars each day when papers and magazines failed to reach them, during the recent big storm.

A New York Sunday paper featured the statue of Phillis Brooks, executed for the city of Boston by Bela Lyon Pratt, the sculptor, whose summer home is in Salem.

An active worker in the Central Baptist church, the Rev. D. C. Daugherty, Mrs. Albert T. Utley, is ill with grip at her home on Lafayette street, requiring the care of a graduate nurse.

Tramps make a stopping place in the grove between Wampanoag and Lord's Point, where they may be found in the coldest weather. For 20 years or more they have frequented that place.

With the closing of the year, John St. Patrick's church, Sunday was assigned as watchman at Hall Brothers' Trading Cove mill, after 16 years' faithful service and will retire from active work.

The preacher at the high mass in St. Patrick's church Sunday was Rev. Myles P. Galvin. Following the mass, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament was given by Rev. D. C. Cuny, assisted by Rev. J. H. Broderick.

The holiday schedules of trains issued to the employees of the New Haven road show that all express trains will run in sections from New York to New Haven, and vice versa, before New Year's as before Christmas.

This afternoon at 3:30 in the basement assembly room of St. Patrick's church, there is to be a Christmas tree for the 800 children of the parish, provided by the Catholic Women's club, which Mrs. M. H. Donohue is president.

J. Alden Weir of Windham, president of the National Academy of Design, has received the Potter Palmer gold medal and \$1,000 cash for a figure painting awarded by the jury of the Art Institute of Chicago.

PERSONALS Miss Ruth Moore of Norwich was at Deep River for Christmas. David Bigelow of Westchester has been doing duty in Norwich.

John C. Quinn has returned from a business trip to Block Island. Miss Gladys Loudon of Deep River is at her home in Norwich for the holiday recess.

Miss Sadie Newman of High street Hartford, spent Saturday and Sunday at her home. David L. Kinney of Norwich has been at Lord's Point recently, looking over his cottage property.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry T. Emmerich of Windham avenue, Hartford spent Christmas in Norwich. Mr. and Mrs. Carl H. Swan, of Scranton, Pa., are spending the holidays with relatives in this city.

Miss Olive LaPiere of Sigourney street, Hartford, is spending the holidays with relatives in Norwich. Noyes D. Lamb went to Hartford Christmas day and Mrs. Henry R. Brinche, formerly of Norwich.

Miss Belle L. Strong has returned to Colchester after a few days' visit with her sister, Mrs. John V. Reynolds. Mr. and Mrs. Carl Gallup, Misses Hattie Tanner and Margaret Tanner of Ekonic were in Norwich visitors during last week.

Mrs. Ernest Spencer has returned to Norwich after a visit of a week in Stonington with her grandmother, Mrs. Julia T. Sheffield. Mrs. D. J. Brown entertained over Christmas, her sons, Charles H. Phillips and family, of Versailles, East L. Phillips and wife of Lynn, Mass., Elmer Phillips and family, there being three grandchildren and one great-grandchild.

OBITUARY. Frank Allyn Robinson. Following an illness of brief duration, Frank Allyn Robinson of this city died at Grace hospital, New Haven, on Saturday morning about 11 o'clock. Mr. Robinson had recently suffered from heart trouble and, suffering an attack of this while in New Haven, he had gone to Grace hospital for treatment.

Frank Allyn Robinson, for many years a resident of Norwich, was born in this city on Aug. 3, 1851, being a son of John A. and Mary Callahan Robinson. His parents moved with their family to New London when Mr. Robinson was 9 years old, where he pursued his education at the Bulkeley High school. Later he removed with his parents to New Haven and studied at the Yale Law school, where he graduated, and was admitted to the bar in 1872. He practiced law in New Haven for several years until his marriage in 1887 to Miss Elizabeth Clarissa Kirby of New Haven.

Shortly after his marriage he removed to Norwich and in 1888 bought the house on Sachem street where he has since resided, a house which had for many years been the residence of his father-in-law, the late Hart Goddard. Mr. Robinson had not engaged in the active practice of his profession in Norwich, but soon after coming here began the publication of law blanks for Connecticut practitioners, and established a considerable business, which he maintained until his death.

His wife and two daughters, Misses Louise and Helen Robinson, survive him. Mr. Robinson was an Episcopal church member, and a member of the Norwich church and at the time of his death, was its junior warden. He was always a very kind, generous and indefatigable worker, and always full of a zeal tempered with discretion, so that he was loved and respected by all who came in contact with him. He was a man of high character and high standing in his community, and his death is a loss to the church and to the city.

Mr. Robinson was one of the most useful men in his church. He was always ready to help in any way he could, and in all these things he did well. It will be very hard, it seems impossible, to fill his place there. The same qualities which made him a most friendly disposition, and the combination of these qualities, which made him respected and, when taken away, to be missed even more than his friends and fellow citizens realized while he was with them.

Mr. Robinson was a republican in politics, was elected alderman of Norwich in 1906, serving two terms. Mrs. Victoria Bellert, wife of Henry Bellert, of 245 Broad street, this city, died Sunday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock at the Backus hospital after a short illness.

Mrs. Victoria Bellert, daughter of David Young of Earncliffe, Lot 59, near the city of Norwich, came to this country about 25 years ago, having been a resident of this city for 40 years. Besides her husband, Henry Bellert, she leaves one daughter, Lillian, and two sons, William and Herman. She has two living brothers, Frederick and Henry, both of whom are residents of New York city, John of Tennessee and Henry and Robert of Prince Edward Island, Canada. Two sisters, Mrs. B. Ross of Dorchester, Mass., and Mrs. Robert Jenkins of Prince Edward Island.

She deceased was born Oct. 21, 1861, and was married to Henry Bellert May 4, 1888. Mrs. Bellert was a kind and generous woman and always had a good word for everyone. Her pleasant smile and genial nature endeared her to a host of friends by whom she will be greatly missed.

William Thomas Kirby, a well known vaudeville dancer, died at the state sanatorium in Thamesville on Sunday morning about 9 o'clock, following an illness of about four years. Mr. Kirby was the son of Mary Caffrey Kirby and the late James Kirby and was born in Norwich 25 years ago. He

CHRISTMAS IN THE CHURCHES Norwich Congregations Heard Seasonal Sermons and Special Music on Christmas Day and on Sunday.

At the Central Baptist church Sunday morning Rev. Joel B. Slocum, D. D., the pastor, spoke on "The Star and the Song of the Shepherds." There was special Christmas music, and Rev. Dr. Slocum spoke briefly to the Juniors after the anthem.

In his sermon Dr. Slocum spoke of the star leading the wise men and of the song leading the shepherds. The star and a song, each of these had something to do in leading people to the infant Jesus. Each led a different class of people. The star led the wise men; the song led the shepherds. And ever since that first Christmas the star and the song have been doing their part in leading people to Jesus.

Let us say that the star stands for the intellect and the song for the heart. Each of these is a road thronged with pilgrims eager to find Jesus. Ever since that first Christmas the wise men have taken out of the treasury of that wisdom the things that led them to the infant who had laid them at the feet of the Christ.

Greatest Intellectuals Have Bowled. Paul came and looked and believed and henceforth dedicated his magnificent intellect to the cause of the Christ. And the scholars of the early centuries came and bowed in lowly worship. It is a fact of remarkable significance that the greatest intellects of the world have bowed before the Christ. Not all the great minds of the world acknowledged Him; but in some way the greatest intellects of the world's intellectual giants have recognized the superior claims of Jesus.

Raphael, Michelangelo, the sculptor, Handel in music, Milton in poetry, Sir Oliver Lodge in science are only a few representatives of the thousands upon thousands in every field of human attainment who have climbed the highest summits of human achievement and have yielded their laurels to the name that is above every name. It would not be a long task to classify the world's greatest thinkers of the modern age in the departments of learning. And when that task is finished it would be a matter of mere counting to determine how large a proportion of them gave some kind of a testimony in favor of Christ.

The World is Thinking Today. The world is doing a good deal of thinking today, and the greatest intellects of this age are giving at least mental assent, and many of them are going all lengths to glorify in the name of Jesus. There are people so constituted that they can come only by that road— that road, namely, the Christ.

And Jesus, while He was still living among men, appealed to the intellect strongly. He called Himself the light of the world, and that light was the light of the world, and that light was the light of God to all who would struggle in their finite limitation to comprehend the infinite. He called Himself the truth, and that was the truth, and that was the truth for the guidance of men who were longing for the truth. He called Himself the way, and that was the way, and that was the way for the lost and the wandering. He called Himself the life, and that was the life, and that was the life for the dead and the dying.

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week were received, many of them, in a joyful spirit; some, few perhaps, taking them as a matter of course, while a few more may not have seen the Christmas spirit at all.

But of the Great Gift, the chief of earthly blessings so freely given by the Father of us all, who shall be said of the reception? We would say surely it ought to be swiftly and earnestly sought, but as a matter of fact what is the condition? No man can benefit by it who does not accept it.

The whole world is richer for Christ's coming. Individual life is richer because of the effect upon those about them who have sought and accepted the Gift.

The individual who receives the Christ life into his own life receives somewhat of the divine spirit in which the gifts bestowed.

A community of individuals who have sought for, sought and found and received the Great Gift of Life as set forth in Christ will be the strong help, and peace abiding community. He who truly accepts the Gift of God who has kindled in his heart the "love divine all excellings" which makes the true heaven a living witness of the Heavenly Father.

It will lead the recipient to give something of his own life to enrich the sum of human love.

It will prompt him who has received it to unselfish effort and sacrifice. It will help him to dedicate himself to the cause which is Christ's cause, that of establishing brotherhood, goodness, the family of all the children of God.

The Great Gift of Christ to the world and to individuals, if received, will serve to inspire him to other deeds of mercy and benevolence, and His voluntary offering of Himself upon the cross for the sins of the whole world.

Where the shepherds found the hope and anticipation of what the Babe in the Manger might be and do, and all that is best in us rises to rejoice in it and glory in it. Then, secondly, still looking back, the shepherds did not and could not have, for, in the first place, the birth cannot be called up before us what it led up to an inviolate mystery, the wonderful and beautiful life of Christ on the earth. His teaching, His character, His religious inquiries, His sense of mercy and benevolence, and His voluntary offering of Himself upon the cross for the sins of the whole world.

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Hundreds of people have been relieved of stomach troubles by using this remarkable remedy. It is not simply a good digestant. It is a medicine that puts all of the digestive organs into normal condition and gives ruddy, glowing, vigorous health. A change for the better will be seen after the first few doses. The medicine is continued use will soon give the power to eat anything at any time and not suffer from indigestion. It is a medicine that will cure you no matter how long you have been suffering from it. It is the strongest proof that can be offered as to the merit of this medicine.

Nothing lessens a man's success in life than a weak stomach. A weak stomach is more than a weak stomach, with its attendant evils. Use Mi-na and see how much more there is in life.

TURKEYS AND MONEY AS CHRISTMAS REMEMBRANCES. Married Men Get Something to Eat, While Bachelors Are Given Money—Christmas Money at Thermo Plant.

Employees of the local coal dealers were reminded on Friday by their employers with Christmas gifts. Each of the 20 men employed by John A. Morgan received \$2.50 gold pieces. It was in the afternoon that he commenced giving the men turkeys, but for the past few years the firm has presented its employees gold pieces.

The 35 men employed by the Edward Chappell company received turkeys, following the yearly custom that began in 1838.

The married men employed by Arthur D. Hathrop received turkeys, the single men \$2 bills. New bills were also presented to the employees of the People's Coal company by the manager, John O. Beckham, each of his married employees a turkey and the single men were remembered with \$2 bills.

The employees of the American Thermo Bottle company opened their pay envelopes on Friday they were very pleasantly surprised to find a check for \$2.50 in each envelope. The check was from the company, signed by President William H. Walker, and in addition a regular \$2 check. The employees found new \$2 bank notes. There are about 200 employees at the bottle factory, which means \$1,000 Christmas money given away by the company.

DAMAGE DONE BY GALE NOT EXTENSIVE HERE. Some Trees and Many Limbs Blown Down Bothering the Wires Somewhat.

From damage done by the gale of Sunday Norwich escaped relatively unscathed. One window blown in at Park church during the morning service, but without hitting anyone, and another blown in at a grocery store in common with falling trees and limbs. Many of the trees in various parts of the city, indicated the force of the tearing north-wind. The telephone lines suffered with a few falling limbs, but neither toll nor local service was seriously impaired. At Norwich Town, near the foot of the town, a tree gave particular trouble to the telephone system.

The fire alarm circuit was open twice for a time in the afternoon. Winchester street brought the wires down, and at 2 o'clock the circuit in the school yard at the foot of South street at Greenville, caused the bells to ring one time more.

A limb of a tree in the Falls and the other at Thames square, of the police telegraph system were put out of service by falling limbs, but the telephone remained in service.

The lighting system had little trouble though the bus lights in Thamesville were out of service for a time. Early in the gale a large limb on a tree in front of the residence of George Carey, No. 39 Sachem street, was blown down and fell on the roof of the house. The tracks were cleared soon afterwards causing but little delay to the cars.

A large limb on the tree in front of the Park Street side of the Elks' home was blown down and in falling it caused a section of fence atop of the former Burnham property now owned by the Shore Line Electric company. Tree wardens in the district soon had the street cleared for traffic.

A big limb came down from a tree in front of the West Thames Street school house.

CONFERENCE BEGINS TODAY AT CENTRAL BAPTIST CHURCH. Dr. Helysiek of Providence and Dr. Brown of Bridgeport Will Address Sessions Today.

The conference on the five-year program of the Central Baptist church of the Ashford, Stonington Union and the New London association at the call of the Northern Baptists, opened this afternoon at 2 o'clock, and will continue throughout Tuesday. Two sessions will be held on Tuesday, and a session tonight at 7:45 o'clock has been planned especially for the general public.

The conference programme follows: Monday, 2 p. m.—Hour of devotion and spiritual conference. Address—Evangelism: Personal and Social. The Key to Success in the Five Year Programme, Rev. Edward Holyoke, D. D., Providence. Discussion and conference. Evening Session. (Open to the Public.) 7:45—Devotional and Intercession. Address, The Five Year Programme of the Northern Baptists, Rev. John R. Brown, Ph. D., Bridgeport.

Tuesday, 9:30—Devotional and Intercession. Address, The Five Year Programme of the Northern Baptists, Rev. John R. Brown, Ph. D., Bridgeport. Needs of Our Work in Connecticut, led by Rev. A. B. Coats, D. D., 1:00—Dinner.

Wednesday, 2:00—Devotional and Intercession. Address, Connecticut's Part in the Five Year Programme, Rev. Frederick Lent, Ph. D., president of Connecticut Baptist convention.

Gift for Secretary Hill. The members of the Sunday school teachers' class, which meets Saturday evening at the Y. M. C. A., presented their teacher, General Secretary Edwin Hill, a Christmas gift in the shape of a handsome umbrella. The gift is highly prized by Secretary Hill.

Boys' Secretary J. Harold Hill, of Broadway, spent Christmas with his parents in Holyoke.

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