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NAVAL VESSELS AUTHORIZER HAVE BEEN CONTRACTED FOR

Except Three Dreadnoughts and a Few Minor Auxiliary Craft.

Washington, May 21.—All naval vessels authorized by congress have been contracted for, Secretary Daniels announced today, except three dreadnoughts and a few minor auxiliary craft. Besides the war craft, specifically provided for, the department had ordered many additional destroyers, submarine chasers by the hundred and added today 24 seagoing tugs of 1,000 tons displacement ,to be used both as towboats and mine sweepers.

Recent awards made include the 38 submarines of the 800-ton type, 24 of which will be built by the Electric Boat Company four by the Lake Torpedo Boat Company and ten by the navy yard at Portsmouth, N. H. Six additional destroyers have also been ordered from the Newport News Ship Building and Drydock Company.

The submarines, destroyers and tugs will be built on the cost plus ten per cent. profit plan, the navy department arranging for the delivery of material.

The tugs will be completed in six months, the destroyers in from a year to fifteen months and the submarines in the shortest possible time.

Middletown.—County Farm Agent John H. Fay says that already 23 of the Middletown High school boys had secured positions on neighboring farms and were aiding in the movement to obtain larger crops for Middlesex county.

STEAMER COLONIAN WRECKED ON COAST OF ENGLAND

Cause of the Accident and Fate of the Crew Not Mentioned.

Boston, May 21.—The Leyland liner Colonian was wrecked last niht on the south coast of Enland, according to a cablegram received today by John H. Thomas, agent of the line here. The message said that the steamer, which was carrying a cargo of munitions, grain, lumber and cotton from this port, probably would be a total loss. The cause of the accident and the fate of the crew were not mentioned.

It was believed in shipping circles at this port that the Colonian had lost her bearings, and that the wreck was due to a mishap not connected with the perils of war. The steamer, with her cargo, was valued at $2,000,000.

The Colonian, a steamer of 6,440 tons register, was built at Newcastle in 1901. She was commanded by Captain John McDonald.

Chance for Carl.

Assistant Secreary Carl Vrooman is so good at hurling anathemas at the food speculators that we should like to hear what he could do to a flat tire.—Kansas City Journal.

Manchester.—By the efforts of the gardening committee of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce an abundance of seed has been secured for the more than 1,000 gardens which will be cultivated this season.

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IN AND ABOUT WESTERLY

Not Sufficient Evidence to Hold William J. Higgins and John Andrews—Both Men Released—Russell Burdick and Elliott Thorpe Leave for Plattsburgh — Stonington Assemblymen to Attend County Meeting at Norwich June 2d.

Based on the story told by William J. Higgins of Stonington to Deputy Sheriff William H. Casey, in Pawcatuck, Saturday, which was in effect that Higgins was with John Andrews of Stonington, commonly known as "Cape Ann," when the latter struck and knocked overboard John Cleary of New London from the Pendleton wharf in Stonington, two weeks ago, both Andrews and Higgins were arrested. They were charged with the murder of Cleary, and both pleaded not guilty when arraigned before Judge Frank H. Hinckley in the Stonington town court, Monday morning. Judge Wurtem A. Breed was counsel for Higgins, and Dr. James H. Weeks, not a lawyer, appeared as counsel for Andrews.

Judge Breed asked for a continuance in order to give time to prepare a defence.

Prosecuting Attorney Benjamin H. Hewitt said he was willing to expose the state's case, and, after that was done, he would not oppose the motion if there was not sufficient testimony to warrant the court in finding sufficient cause to hold the accused for the superior court. Under the circumstances he did not feel like stopping the proceedings until the court had heard the testimony.

Dr. Henry C. Little, medical examiner, testified that on the morning of May 12, he was called into the case. He found John Cleary, age 47, of New London, in the water dead between a coal barge and the Pendleton wharf. The body was floating, with the crown of the head above water, the face being downward. In his opinion the body had been in the water but a short time, probably an hour, as the skin was not at all macerated, and there was no shrivelling of the fingers or toes. He said there was water in the lungs and stomach but he could not tell how much. He rolled the body on a barrel and considerable water was emitted. He did not notice any cuts or bruises, except some scratches that were not skin deep. It was perhaps a question whether the death of Cleary was due to drowning or other cause, but he held to the opinion it was from drowning. He might have been dead before he fell into the water, or he might have come in contact with something while falling towards the water.

By Judge Breed—The wounds were simply scratches and were not sufficient to cause death.

By Dr. Weeks—There was nothing between the barge and wharf to prevent the body from sinking. The barge was not on the bottom, but was afloat. It was possible for the clothes to come in contact with the wharf and prevent the body from sinking, and the clothing tended to keep the body afloat. The barge was four or five feet from the wharf.

Deputy Sheriff William H. Casey testified that he never knew Higgins until last Saturday, and made a voluntary statement to him. He was introduced by Michael Carey. Higgins said that on the night before the body was found, that he (Higgins) "Cape Ann," Cleary, and two other men were on the wharf. That Cleary and "Cape Ann" got into a fight, and that "Cape Ann" struck Cleary and knocked him overboard, and that the two other men prevented Higgins from interfering. Higgins said he did not want to be classed as a murderer, that the matter troubled him and he wanted to get it off his mind. He said "Cape Ann" had previously told him that Cleary had $20. He said he saw the fight and heard the splash. Sheriff Casey testified that with Higgins and Casey, he motored to Stonington, and gave the information, just as he received it to Deputy Sheriff Broughton. Higgins was somewhat under the influence of liquor. Witness was present when Sheriff Broughton arrested Andrews. In response to a question by Dr. Weeks, the witness said he saw Higgins sign a written statement Saturday night, but did not read the statement.

Michael J. Carey testified that he met Higgins on Saturday morning about 9 o'clock, and that they were together until 11 and had about a dozen glasses of beer. It was after this, and while in a Pawcatuck saloon, that Higgins said he had something on his mind in regard to the man who was drowned at Stonington and that he could not rest contented until he had relieved his mind. Then witness suggested that he tell the story to Sheriff Casey and tell it all, if he wanted his mind relieved. Higgins mentioned the name "Cape Ann" and told of hearing the splash as the man struck the water. They went out and met Sheriff Casey and witness told Higgins that he was the man to tell what he knew of the case, if he were so inclined.

Deputy Sheriff William F. Broughton testified that he arrested John Andrews Saturday afternoon and held Higgins at the request of Prosecutor Hewitt. He never saw Higgins and Andrews together. He saw Higgins two hours after the arrest of Andrews, and asked him if he was willing to repeat the story he had told Sheriff Casey. He replied by asking: "What story?" The witness repeated the story and Higgins declared he was not there. He did say that on the night in question he met Andrews, who asked him to go aboard a barge with him and get some money from the captain, and he replied that he was not that kind of a fellow. Andrews asked him if he did not like money and he said he did, but did not want to get it that way. Sheriff Broughton testified that he was present when the prosecutor told Andrews of the crime of which he was charged, in connection with Higgins, and Andrews said he had not seen Higgins for several weeks.

James H. Ledwith, a crossing tender, testified that he saw Andrews and Higgins together near the crossing on a Friday or Saturday evening, May 11 or 12, and that they both went up over the hill to the eastward.

Thomas O'Connell, borough patrolman, testified that on Saturday afternoon, in the court room, and at the request of Prosecutor Hewitt, he got the court paper and gave it to Higgins for him to write statements, the contents of which he did not know. Higgins told conflicting stories before writing the statements.

These statements were then submitted by Prosecutor Hewitt. Higgins admitted telling Casey of a man being struck and knocked overboard, that he was on the wharf at the time and he heard the splash, and that he wanted to get the matter off his mind. Higgins also wrote that he told Deputy Sheriff Casey that he went to the wharf with Cleary and told of the fight between Cleary and Andrews, and that "Jack" grabbed Cleary and threw him overboard. He wrote that he told Hewitt that he was sorry he put a fellow in bad, and that he had stretched the truth. He admitted, also that he told Sheriff Broughton, that he (Higgins) was out of it and that he had talked too much, and that he was drunk when in Pawcatuck, did not know just what he did say, what he said was not reliable, and that he was not responsible for what he said. He was not on the wharf, he said, when Cleary went into the water, and that the whole matter was of no concern to him.

Judge Breed, in behalf of Higgins, said there was not the slightest evidence to connect him with the commission of crime, or that a crime had been committed, and this also applied to Andrews. The evidence did show that Higgins was drunk and not in a responsible condition when he made the alleged statements and which he now denies.

Dr. Weeks made brief plea for his client, and claimed there was not the slightest evidence to connect him with any crime that has been charged.

Prosecutor Hewitt reread the evidence in detail and took exception to the way the matter was disposed of at the very start. It was in fact a case of one of the accused against the other, and that there was more real evidence against Higgins as an accessory than against Andrews as the principal.

Judge Hinckley declared that there was not evidence sufficient to hold either Andrews or Higgins and both were discharged.

At the session of the Stonington town court, Monday, there were eighty-five spectators, residents of that busy borough, where labor is reported to be very scarce. Besides the Andrews-Higgins case, Frank Miller of Pawcatuck, was charged with intoxication. He pleaded guilty and paid a fine of $2 and costs. James Haney was charged with trespass in entering upon land leased by Stephen Carr, near the Mystic station and ploughing up part of a planted field of potatoes. This was a case of misunderstanding concerning land leased and both claiming the same land. It was evident that Haney had ploughed on land claimed by Carr, but that Haney did not admit. He was fined $1 and costs and settled.

Russell Burdick and Elliott Thorp, Fifth company, Westerly, Coast Artillery corps, now in service of federal government "somewhere in Rhode Island," have been privileged to proceed to the officers' training camp at Plattsburgh, with the view of becoming commissioned officers. Mr. Burdick enlisted in the Fifth company soon after the command was ordered into service in the present emergency. He took the course of training at Plattsburgh last year that carried with it appointment as corporal should he join a branch of the military service. He declined the chevrons in the Fifth company as he had no desire as a recruit to "jump" men who long served in the company. Mr. Thorn before joining the Fifth company, had military training at the Rhode Island State college.

Senator Frank H. Hinckley and Representatives Wilcox and Babcock of Stonington, will attend the meeting of senators and representatives of New London county at the temporary home on Smith avenue, Norwich, Saturday, June 2, at noon. It will be a business session adjourned from the state capitol by reason of a pressure of business near the close of the legislative session. It is probable that in connection with other business, a tax will be levied to meet the expenses of the county for the next two fiscal years. There are three senators and thirty representatives in the county, and all are expected to attend the meeting, and at their own expense, as in this instance the state makes no provision for transportation.

The federal grand jury for the May term will be impanelled this morning at 10 o'clock in the United States District court in the Federal building, and as soon as it has received instructions from the court will begin consideration of the cases to come before it. About 15 cases will be presented to the jury by United States District Attorney Baker. It is expected the sitting will last at least a week. The petit jury will report Wednesday morning and as soon as impannelled the trial of the civil docket will be begun.

Local Laconics.

Up to date the membership of the Stonington branch of Red Cross is 230.

The Westerly constabulary held a business session in the town hall on Monday evening.

A cross six feet in height has been placed on the steeple of St. Mary's church, Stonington.

In Westerly, the board appointed in connection with the selective draft is composed of Maurice W. Flynn, president of the town council, Everett E. Whipple, town clerk, and Dr. F. C. Pagan.

Mateeo Cinqoanata, Angelo Paglitetto, and Raffaele Assino, accused of stoning residents of Franklin street, were taken into custody by Policemen Ferguson and Chase. They are being held for examination.

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True Blue Society Appoints Committee to Arrange for Decorating the Graves of 36 Soldiers—Capt. Andrew Ostman Returns From Norway.

The True Blue society, a branch of Liberty council, which every year takes charge of the decorating of the soldiers' graves, has appointed Mrs. Ida Palmer, Mrs. Nellie Wilcox and Mrs. Mary Durfee a committee for the purchase of what is needed. There are 36 graves to be remembered this year. Liberty council, Daughters of America, will have patriotic exercises at the meeting Wednesday evening, May 30, when members of Williams post, G. A. R., and their families will be entertained.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas McWhinney of New London spent the week-end in the village.

Forty-five barrels of flat fish were shipped last week to the New York markets from this village.

Returns From Norway.

Capt. Andrew Ostman, who spent the winter at his old home in Norway, has returned to the village, to remain during the summer.

Harrison Ward is confined to his home by illness.

Mr. and Mrs. B. A. Spink have been visiting friends in Waterbury.

Mrs. Maud Lineberry, who has been very ill, is able to sit up.

The missionary meeting of the Baptist church will be held Friday evening at the home of Mrs. Charles Palmer.

Mrs. Charles Shirley is entertaining relatives from Providence.

Sessions of the Ladies' Aid society have been dispensed with recently on account of the work meetings of the Red Cross.

Ordered to Newport.

Angus McQuarrie has received orders to report at the naval training station in Newport at once. Bernard McDonald and Charles Hadley of this village were among the last ordered out.

Mrs. James Jay Smith of New York and Mrs. Avery Smith have arrived at Groton Long Point.

Charles Ward has enrolled as boatswain's mate in the Naval Coast Defense Reserves.

Louis Miller of Groton Long Point, who has been very ill with grip, is improving.

Howard Hunter has returned to Bridgeport after a visit of a few days in the village.

Roland Hill has returned from Wesleyan University.

Lester Smith of Kingston college has arrived here for the summer.

Mrs. Owen A. Williams of Petersburg, who has been seriously ill, is better but will not be able to come to the village for her usual summer trip.

MYSTIC

Benefit Entertainment for Home Guards—Funeral of Mrs. Thomas Feeney—Annual Report of Visiting Nurse Association.

The entertainment given in the Lyceum theatre Sunday evening for the benefit of the Home Guard was largely patronized. The following programme was carried out: Selection by Odd Fellows' orchestra; solo, Treffle Morin; reading, Mrs. Greenhaigh; music, Squadrito Bros.; two reels of pictures; solo, Miss Flora Allyn; duet, Orville Lewis, Mrs. Mabel Grant; solo, Eli Giedhill; selection, orchestra. The money will go toward buying shoes for Company A and Company D.

Schools Close for Circus.

The schools at the Mystic Academy and Broadway were closed Monday afternoon to enable the children to go to the circus.

FUNERAL

Mrs. Thomas Feeney.

The funeral of Mrs. Thomas Feeney was held at 8.30 o'clock Monday with a requiem high mass at St. Patrick's church at 9 o'clock. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends present. Rev. Father Hart sang the mass. Burial was in St. Michael's new cemetery, Pawcatuck.

Visiting Nurse Association Report

The annual report of the Mystic Visiting Nurse Association was as follows: Report of the nurse from May 1, 1916, to May 1, 1917: Cases attended, 229; pay cases, 19; partial pay cases, 27; free cases, 170; Metropolitan Insurance cases, 22; supplementary visits, 110; recorded visits, 1860; total visits, 1970; transfers—Backus hospital 1; Memorial hospital 3, Lawrence hospital 4, other cases 6, deaths 7; discharged, cured or convalescent, 190; still under care May 1, 1917, 10; nationalities of cases, Italian 12, Russian 2, Irish 3, Polish 14, Austrian-Hungarian 3, German 10, English and Scotch 6, Scandinavian 2, American 104, unclassified 50; T. M. Meagher, R. N., visiting nurse.

Treasurer's Report—Cash balance May 1, 1916, $165.52; membership dues to May 1, 1917, $431.00; collected by nurse from patients, $64.95; Mystic Art Association donation, $75; miscellaneous, $22; Metropolitan Life Insurance Co., May 31 and March 31, $183.52; interest of Bruggeman fund, $60; Workers of Mystic, $181.77; whist at Mrs. Hiram Burnett's, $41.50; daffodil tea, $227.74; total, $1,452.92. Expenditures—Salary for nurse for 12 months, $900; substitute nurse, $70; telephone $10.42; supplies, drugs, pharmacy, $4.20; Wheeler's drug store, $5.60; printing, $1.25; treasurer's appropriation, $6.00; total $997.47; cash on hand May 1, 1917, $455.45. Resources—General endowment fund in Groton Savings bank $22, and interest, $5.15, $27.15; balance of treasurer's appropriation, $4.61; Rossie Velvet Co., trustees of Peter Buggenan fund in Mariners' Savings Bank, New London, $1,500. May G. Bray, treasurer.

Brevities.

Mrs. James Gordon Bennett has been taken to Memorial hospital for treatment.

W. C. Lofland has returned to Lewis, Del., after a few days' visit in town.

Carroll Bliven has returned from a visit in Boston.

Claude Gillillan and Frank Gillillan have returned to Hartford after a brief stay in the village.

JEWETT CITY

Funeral of George T. Burdick—Joseph Eccleston Dies in Glasgo — Red Cross Room Ready For Workers—Registration Board Appointed.

Funeral services for George T. Burdick were held at his home Saturday afternoon. Rev. Luther Kennesston, pastor of the Congregational church church at Preston City conducted the services, assisted by Rev. Albert Donnell, pastor of the Congregational church at Jewett City. Burial was in the Preston City cemetery. The bearers were members of Mt. Vernon lodge, No. 75, F. and A. M., R. J. Guy, G. A. Haskell, Arba Browning, E. B. Cheney, T. E. Lee and C. D. Howe. A delegation was present from Columbian Commandery, of Norwich. There were beautiful flowers from the family, Mt. Vernon lodge, No. 75, F. and A. M., of Jewett City, Damascus lodge, of Albion, Iowa, Mansfield lodge, No. 108, A. F. and A. M. and St. Aldeman Commandery, No. 30, of Marshalltown, Iowa, Preston City Congregational church, Dorcas circle of the King's Daughters, the Girls' Friendly club and Christian Endeavor society of the Congregational church.

Relatives from out of town included Frank J. Burdick and Edwin Farnell of Woonsocket, R. I., Mrs. Anna Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blake of Brooklyn, Conn., Miss A. E. Kendall of Danielson, Mrs. Amos Brown of Westerly, William Burdick of Norwich Town, Frank W. Brewster and Miss Phebe Brewster of Norwich.

The committal service was in charge of Mt. Vernon lodge.

Surprise Party.

Fourteen of Miss Doris Myot's friends gave her a surprise party last week, which was a great success. Among other games they played Hare and Hound. When they returned to the house, they were ready to go to the dining room where a supper awaited them. Mrs. Myott was assisted by Miss Lena Centorbar.

OBITUARY.

Joseph Eccleston.

Joseph Eccleston, 68, died Saturday at the home of his nephew, Thomas J. Eccleston, Jr., in Glasgo. Mr. Eccleston was born in Phenix, R. I. He leaves a brother, Thomas Eccleston, of Voluntown. The funeral services were held at his nephew's home Monday. Rev. John Thompson officiated. Mrs. R. A. Wilbur and J. T. Wilbur sang two hymns. Burial was in Robbins' cemetery in Voluntown. The bearers were George Briggs, Capt. Chatfield, Eli Edwards and Howard Hubbard.

Undertaker J. A. Hourigan was in charge of the arrangements.

Red Cross Headquarters.

The Red Cross room is ready for use, and will be open Tuesday and Friday afternoons from 2 to 5 o'clock, and Monday and Friday evenings from 7 to 9 for anyone who is willing to work for the cause.

Delegate's Report.

Rev. Samuel Thatcher of Hampton was in town Monday and gave a report of the grand lodge of I. O. O. F., at New Haven to Reliance lodge, No. 39, I. O. O. F., on Monday evening. Clarence Jeffers and Mr. Thatcher were delegates from the local order.

Mrs. Henry McLaughlin and three children visited Sunday with Mrs. James Gaffney of Plainfield.

Mrs. Jack Comire of Greenville visited Mrs. Henry McLaughlin Monday.

At a special meeting of the warden and burgesses it was voted that no fireworks of any kind shall be used on the Fourth of July, or any such article will be sold in this town this year.

Mr. and Mrs. F. O. Basto of Providence spent Sunday with Mrs. Basto's niece, Mrs. Eli G. Lague.

Miss Rosina Allyn of Norwich is acting as assistant bookkeeper at the Jewett City Grain Co.

Registration Board.

In compliance with the proclamation of the president of the United States and regulations of the war department issued under the act of congress approved May 18, the first selectman, the town clerk and the registrar of voters of the town have been appointed by the governor as a registration board. They are appointed for the duties provided for in the regulations which will be on Tuesday, June 5, between 7 a. m. and 9 p. m., between the ages of 21 and 30, both inclusive, except certain persons in the military or naval service of the United States. The first selectman and town clerk will be in New London Wednesday to receive their instructions.

An Honor Pupil.

Richmond P. Gardner's name was inadvertantly omitted from the list of pupils in the graduating class. He is to be one of the ten speakers.

May Basket For Teachers.

The Seventh grade at the Riverside Grammar school remembered Mrs. Nettie Johnson and Miss Mary Brown with a handsome May basket Friday night.

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NORWICH TOWN

Rev. Merritt A. Farrian Describes Beneficient Work For Sailors—Sheltering Arms Service Conducted by Rev. S. H. Howe, With Solos By Eben Learned—Week End Personal Items.

The audience room of the First Congregational church was well filled on Sunday evening, when Rev. Merritt A. Farrian, representing the Boston Seamen's Friend society told of the work and illustrated it with stereoptican slews. The Norwich C. E. Union was invited, members coming from Goshen, Lebanon, Bozrah, Hanover, Park church, the Norwich Town society, the First Methodist Enworth League was represented. Miss Ruth L. Potter welcomed those present, W. G. Park, of Hanover, president of the Union, responding.

Rev. G. H. Ewing was in charge of the devotional service and introduced Rev. Mr. Farrian. The maritime Congregationalists of Boston 90 years ago organized this society, he said, the oldest of all Seamen's societies. In light of the present situation and opportunity, some endeavorers have sent their gifts with those of their church to aid in our work. This war has caused a revival of shipping interests. Wooden ships are being built, among them the square rigger which it was predicted would never again be built. The government has ordered 1,000 wooden ships to be manned by American seamen.

To meet the needs of these men is our duty. They are facing unflinchingly the normal and abnormal dangers of the sea. Many of our boys have enlisted, and have been in the trenches of France, in the battles of the North Sea, in the Dardanelles. The men of the sea are now indispensable and if they do their duty well, are heroes and patriots.

Yearly we are ministering directly to 30,000 men. They come when discouraged for cheer, they attend the religious services, they write letters to the anxious ones at home, or receive their share of the 12,000 letters which pass through our post office annually. Every year there is a turkey dinner for the 300 or 400 sailors in port, and at Christmas a special entertainment with gifts for each one. Every Tuesday evening from October to May are musicals. In one year 2 6tons of literature have been distributed to the sailors on ships in Boston harbor from our launch.

A detailed account of Mrs. Ralston's wonderful work in the mission was given. She "mothers" the sailor lads, some of whom are mere boys; gives "first aid" when needed; and has organized the "Anchor Reliance" by men of which many have given up drink and are displaying the Christian Temperance button.

Sailors from Germany, England and Russia mingle and are good friends. The men on the interned German ships in Boston harbor are a fine lot; some of them wish to become American citizens. Mrs. Ralston is glad to have comfort bags for the men now starting off to war. The bags are six inches square and should contain a jar of vaseline, a rubber fingered-cot, a sterilized gauze bandage and a piece of castile soap.

Pictures were shown of Vineyard Haven and the work there in charge of Captain Edwards. He has a garden which is the first thing the homesick sailor sees as he comes from his boat. A Holdfast Society has members representing 25 nationalities.

REV. DR. HOWE SPEAKS.

His Theme The Saviour's Frequent Words of Tenderness and Commiseration to Woman.

Rev. Dr. S. H. Howe pastor of Park church conducted the service Sunday afternoon at the Sheltering Arms, taking for the subject of his address, The Woman of Samaria at the Well, and Christ's Message to Her. He dwelt upon the beautiful way in which Christ alluded to His mother, and instanced the many times in which he spoke to woman, sometimes to draw out faith, to commend, to commission to tell others the story. The woman at the well met with Jesus and it made her a new woman. So much came to her life that she forgot her errand and went back to tell the news. When she came to Christ a new life came, a new impulse, a new inspiration to tell the story.

Hard things come into our lives. What will redeem the life? It is the help which Jesus gives us. If we have Christ in our lives somebody's happiness depends upon our daily living. Christ taught this woman the greatest truths that human beings ever listened to. God wants us to know the inspiration of a great hope, to look out upon the great horizons and then come back to our work. The great hopes of the gospel can make us forget the suffering of life and keep in our minds that after a while will come eternal youth. Rejoice then that we can have the very peace of God, the very joy of the redeemed.

Eben Learned's rendering of several solos together with the piano accompaniment gave great pleasure.

Local Jottings.

Miss Katheryn Wilbur of Westerly was the guest Sunday of her sister, Mrs. Olive Ellis of the Sheltering Arms.

Guests last week of Mrs. E. P. Geer of the Scotland road were Mrs. Elmer Baldwin and Mrs. Osgood from Taftville.

Ivan Maynard and two children of Taftville spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Adelbert E. Geer of the Scotland road.

Mr. and Mrs. Albie Hale of Lathrop avenue have been spending a week with their son and daughter-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur D. Hale in Billington. While away they also visited relatives in Manchester and Somerville.

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