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### IN NORWICH FIFTY YEARS AGO

During the closing week of 1870 very little news of interest took place. The Bulletin's columns being taken up with a review of events that had taken place during the year. The most notable accomplishment perhaps was the completion of the Tatville mill, which was predicted to become the nucleus of a thriving village. As seen today, this prediction has come true and proved the foresightedness of the editor of 50 years ago.

Extracts from The Bulletin's filed of 1870 follow:  
Dec. 24, 1870.—Sunday was Christmas day. Christmas eve passed very coldly and quietly. Early in the evening the last purchaser of Christmas gifts had left the cold slippery streets to the icy north wind and its master, the St. King. Save for the absence of snow, it was the conventional weather of the night—a night to sit around a blazing fire and tell ghostly stories of adventure to travelers lost in lonely regions—to brew roasting joramas of flip, and to feel a sense of comfort and of scorn for the howling gale without.

Christmas morning broke bright and clear, the sky and air in full tone with the happy memories of the day.  
At the various churches there were the usual Christmas services, but the customary observance of the day will not take place until today.

Dec. 27, 1870.—There was no Bulletin printed on this day owing to the observance of Christmas.

Dec. 28, 1870.—At a meeting of Unesa lodge, No. 11, I. O. O. F., the following officers were elected: A. J. Kelly, N. G.; William N. Andrews, V. G.; E. Garrit, secretary; W. H. Burnett, treasurer; J. Le Devotion, Asa Nash, Jr., and E. M. Brewster, finance committee.

Windham county still maintains her proud pre-eminence in the domain of pig-iron. A plethoric porker belonging to Deacon Newberry, having arrived at the ripe age of eight months, was found to possess a gravity beyond his months, weighing 415 pounds. J. Jordan, who was the pig's guide, philosopher and friend, inquires triumphantly "How is that for height?"

This year young Mr. Haggerty is the first public spirited individual to satisfy the popular longing for sensation by falling into the river. An excess of allpore issues and an alcohol were the immediate causes of young Mr. Haggerty's immersion, and a convenient rail and an extremely thorough chastisement at the material hands were the means of his rescue and revivification.

Dec. 29, 1870.—About 1 o'clock Wednesday morning as Jonathan Crandall,

watchman of the various banks in West-erly, R. I., was going his rounds, he discovered what he supposed to be a drunk-en man just above the Niantic bank. When he proceeded to see who it was a second man approached him from behind and as Mr. Crandall turned to look at him this person shot him in the forehead. Drs. Wilbur and Collins attended him but were unable to locate the bullet. It is feared the wound will prove fatal. Who the assassins were or what their object was of course remains a mystery at present. A complete set of burglars' stools were found under the platform of the Westery depot.

Another of those buzz saw anecdotes yesterday. This time two fingers and a gentleman at McQuirk & Bacon's were divorced.

The largest pig of the season is at the rolling mill. It weighs 1,000 pounds and is made of iron. The Moose, having been working for the past six years with the purpose of some day owning their own home and this purpose was recently re-alized. The money for the purchase of the home was raised through the hold- ing of summer carnivals and bazaars. The Moose are to be congratulated at this season and will start the new year with the brightest of prospects for a prosperous future.

Dec. 30, 1870.—Jonathan Crandall, the Westery watchman who was shot on Wednesday morning is still alive. Sher-iff Berry of Westery was in town yester- day in search of the murderers whom it is said he traced to Volantown. A re- ward of \$5,000 has been offered for their apprehension.

The circumstances attending the death of Mr. Lester, formerly foreman of The Bulletin, were peculiarly sad. The Har- ford Post says he left a wife and a little babe one day old. A party of friends came on the Tuesday morning train to make him a call, bringing with them \$6 in money and other gifts to give him a pleasant Christmas surprise, but on reaching his residence they found that he had been dead about 15 minutes.

About this time we expect to hear of "the death of the old year" and "a new page open in the book of life" and "an- other cycle of time become eternal" and requiems and dirges for the heavy past and all that sort of thing. Who will be the first to give us this annual dose of melancholy?

Dec. 31, 1870.—The Norwich Catholic Benevolent association on Thursday evening elected the following officers for the ensuing year: President, William H. Shields; vice president, William Ryan; treasurer, Joseph Connors; recording sec- retary, Charles A. Klingberger; financial secretary, Joseph Plunket; directors, Thomas McQuerry, chairman, William Lundgren, William Burke, Patrick Morris, James Drew, Patrick German, Samuel F. Caley, John Toomey and John McGuin- ness.

From Greenville goes up a great cry for more water. None of the mills are running on full time and several only during the night. Without a thaw and a heavy rain the prospect for the operat- ion this winter is gloomy.

one of the largest business enterprises in New England, has, with the Tatville dam, been completed, and will be before the close of another year the nucleus of a thriving village. The Tatville dam has been built, the track of the horse railroad laid and the great convenience of cheap and easy street transportation given to the public.

### LODGE NOTES

**ELKS**  
Members of the local lodge of Elks have received copies of the speech of Daniel A. Reed of New York in the House of Representatives on Saturday June 5, 1870, in which Mr. Reed calls attention to the great war relief work done by the Elks War Relief Commis- sion during the war and after. Mr. Reed was the first to suggest to the govern- ment the building of a reconstruction hospital and offered to purchase a site and erect a building for the purpose, to be turned over to the government gratis to use during the period of the war and as much longer as needed, and our Gov- ernment hastened to accept this gener- ous and timely offer.

The Elks Reconstruction Hospital, at Boston, was thereupon erected, complet- ed, and equipped in record time, and was the only hospital of the kind ready in time to receive and treat the first of the disabled returning soldiers, sailors and marines of our fighting forces.

Two large base hospitals in France, completely outfitted and equipped by the Order of Elks, are the most effi- cient operated during the war.

It is a matter of fact that the Be- nevolent and Protective Order of Elks largely financed or assisted in financ- ing the Salvation Army during the period of war, thus making it possible for that great uplift organization to successfully accomplish results among those in the trenches that have received the unmiti- gated praise of practically every person con- nected with the American Expeditionary Forces abroad, as well as the mothers and fathers of every boy in the service. It has been publicly stated by Command- er Evangeline Booth that but for the as- sistance of the Elks the Salvation Army could not have accomplished the results that it did at the front. This in itself is a great tribute to any organization.

Our attitude toward vocational train- ing is shown by the fact that the law providing for it was passed by unannou- ced vote in both Houses of Congress. But there have developed some obstacles to the successful carrying out of the Gov- ernment's vocational training program that could not be foreseen when the law was being enacted.

Here, again, the Benevolent and pro- tective Order of Elks, through the Elks War Relief Commission, has shown a broadness of vision and a sense of prac- tical progressiveness that in my opinion meets the sincerest appreciation and high- est praise. Particularly in this true because of the timeliness and the generosity with which the Elks met a very urgent and pressing need and emergency. But this is not all. The practical value of this fund to the Government's vocational training program is shown by the fact that official Govern- ment records show that on June 1, with a total of 27,524 disabled men in train-

ing, there had been 28,671 separate in- stances in which they had been finan- cially assisted by the Elks' fund for a total amount of \$591,898.95. Officials connected with the Federal Board for Vocational Education have stated that thousands of these boys either could not have entered upon their training in the first instance or could not continue it, except for the assistance received from the Elks. I do not hesitate to say that in my opinion the Elks have not only done much to insure the success of our vocational training undertaking but have saved the situation in an emergency which might have meant failure but for some such assistance as they have, through their broad vision and wide un- derstanding, furnished.

### MOOSE

Norwich Lodge, I. O. O. M. now own their own home on Laurel Hill avenue, the home being recently purchased by the lodge from the Norwich Improvement Society which purchased the building a short time after the lodge was institu- ted in 1914. The Moose, having been working for the past six years with the purpose of some day owning their own home and this purpose was recently re-alized. The money for the purchase of the home was raised through the hold- ing of summer carnivals and bazaars. The Moose are to be congratulated at this season and will start the new year with the brightest of prospects for a prosperous future.

### ROYAL ARCANUM

George S. Powers was elected regent of Norwich Council No. 720, Royal Ar- canum at the annual meeting held in Foresters Hall on Wednesday evening. The other officers elected were: Joseph P. Enos, vice-president, Axel Johnson, past regent; James J. Casey, secretary; Richard M. Powers, treasurer; Henry P. Church, collector; John MacDougall, chaplain; Joseph J. Fields, orator; Henry P. Beauvois, guide; Frederick Weis- graber, warden; Frank J. Fields, sentry; Alexander Jordan, trustee for 3 years.

The installation of the officers will take place on Wednesday evening January 26, 1921 with Fred Elliott of New Britain, grand warden, as the installing officer. Norwich council has just completed a most successful year according to the annual reports of the officers made at the meeting on Wednesday evening.

### ORDER OF PROTECTION

Slater Lodge of the new England Order of Protection will have an official visit from the lodge deputy next Tuesday night at which time the newly elected officers for 1921 will be installed after which the annual installation banquet will take place. Deputy Grand Warden James L. Wheeler of New London will be the in- stalling officer.

stalling officer assisted by members of Norwich, Thames and Huguenot lodges. The installation of officers of Thames lodge will take place on Tuesday Janu- ary 18th.

### OWLS

The regular meeting of Norwich Nest of Owls was held on Tuesday evening with a large number of members pres- ent. Plans for a bazaar to be held short- ly after Easter were formulated and committees appointed. It was also vot- ed at the meeting postpone the installa- tion of officers until January 11th owing to the inability of Frank G. Smith, re- cently elected president, to be present at the next meeting night on January 4th.

### FORESTERS

Court (Sachem, No. 34, Foresters of America has received from the Grand Lodge permission to amalgamate with Court City of Norwich, the senior lodge

in this city. It is expected that the amal- gamation will take place some time dur- ing the first part of January. The de- cision to unite all the lodges of Foresters in this city in one lodge was taken at a joint meeting of the three lodges, Court City of Norwich, Court Sachem and Court Quinebaug, early in November and the amalgamation was to take place as soon as permission was secured from the Grand Lodge.

### Polish Citizens' Club Elects Officers.

At the annual meeting of the Polish Citizens' club held in the Kosciuszko- Pulaski Corporation hall, on North Main street, the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Anthony Grzym- kowski, president; Martin Roszcki, vice president; Stanislaw Kozicki, financial secretary; Frank Krupinski, recording secretary; Peter Tylenka, treasurer; John Wilczewski, marshal; Adam Gaw- ronski, librarian; board of directors, An-

thony Grzymkowski, Martin Roszcki, Stanislaw Zawinski, Walter Supinski, John Jakubowski, John Kluskowski and John Dutkowsk. (On motion of Mr. An- thony Grzymkowski the members of the club voted \$5 for the purchase of \$50 for starving children in Europe to be sent to American Relief Administration in Europe.

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