

THE CITY FINANCIERS MET.

FINAL MEETING OF LAST YEAR'S BOARD OF FINANCE.

Approved the Telephone Bill of Deputy Harbor Master James D. Howe...

The final meeting of the board of finance of 1894 was held yesterday afternoon in the city hall...

After the usual weekly pay rolls had been disposed of the much disputed bill, amounting to \$18.75...

Yesterday the members of the board did not waste any time discussing the matter...

Next came up the consideration of the two bills of expense incurred by the police investigating committee...

When these bills were reached Councilman Durant argued at length against the city paying the whole of the bills...

Ex-Mayor Sargent was also present to explain anything necessary in connection with the bill...

To this statement Alderman Foley replied that he for one did not believe in buying a cat in the meat...

Next the members of the board took up the bills of the several newspapers for printing the items in the city estimates...

CRUISING TO FLORIDA. The small yacht Minim's striking success of minor mishaps...

In the latter part of October the small yacht Minim, yawl rigged, was laying at anchor off the yacht club house about a week...

Last Monday the Thatcher Boat company received a telegram from Charleston, S. C., stating that the Minim had lost her boat again...

On the 23d of December the sloop-yacht Hattie J., Captain H. G. Mack, left New York for Florida...

The old Shore Line railroad bridge is nearly all taken down, but that remains being the extreme eastern span...

LODGE AND SOCIETY.

Doings of Many Local Organizations.

Court Robert Emmet, A. O. F. of A., installed the following officers last night: Chief ranger, Thomas Brennan...

Theodore Circle No. 36, Companion of the Forest, installed the following officers last night: Chief companion, Augustus Bittner...

There was a large attendance at the installation of officers of Wooster lodge Wednesday evening. The officers installed were: Worshipful master, W. H. Ely...

City lodge of Odd Fellows installed these officers Wednesday evening: Noble grand, Henry E. Hall; vice grand, C. E. Rodgers...

Independent Order of True Americans, Camp No. 1, has just installed the following officers: President, Victoria Davis; assistant president, Nellie Stokes...

New Haven Conclave No. 79, U. O. S. W. M., installed officers last evening and the members enjoyed a fine collation after the meeting...

SECOND REGIMENT.

Joining Battalion Drills This Season. Major Dickinson, commanding the second battalion of the Second regiment...

City Missions—Woman's Department. The regular monthly meeting of the woman's department of the City Missionary association will be held to-day at 3 o'clock p. m.

Delightful Trolley Party. One of the most successful trolley rides this season was that given by the Misses Nettie and Sara Machol of Trumbull street Wednesday evening.

At Saltonstall the party enjoyed themselves on the lake, and at Belle dock they accepted the invitation of the purser to go aboard the Richard Peck...

Among the guests invited by the Misses Machol were the Misses Lena, Marjorie, Jennie Machol, Ida Kahn, Jennie Well, Lillie Frank, Fannie Metzger, Ida Marcus, Sophie Cahn, Justine Millander, Hattie Snyder and Miss Cresson of Wheeling...

High School Athletic Association. At the entertainment to be given January 18 at Warner hall by the Alpha Delta Sigma society for the benefit of the High School Athletic association the following will take part: Miss Lola Barlow, Miss May Pendleton, Miss Kate Hofer, Miss Mabel Sherman and Messrs. Whiteley, Fowler and Phillips.

The Hillhouse Banjo club, which will furnish music, is composed of the following: Banjos, F. B. Mervels '95, leader; J. E. McIntyre '96, Paul Barnett '97, C. Groeschel '98; guitars, J. W. Todd '98, J. E. MacLane '97; cello, H. S. Arnold '96; mandolin, L. S. Spier '96.

Work at the Clock Factory. Next Monday at the New Haven Clock company's big factory work will be resumed. The working time will be eight hours a day, instead of nine, as before.

A Happy Father. Officer James Grady of the Grand avenue precinct has a very pleasant smile. He is the father of a gay young officer of the Grand avenue precinct, an eleven pounder and a "rattling fine boy." Mother and boy are doing well.

LEGISLATIVE NECROLOGY.

Ex-State Officers and Members of the General Assembly Who Have Died During the Year Just Closed.

During the year that has just closed many ex-state officers and members of the legislature have passed over to the great majority—several of them widely known throughout the state.

The ex-state officers who have died are: The Hon. Benjamin Douglass of Middletown, who was lieutenant governor in 1861, during Governor Buckingham's administration, and a member of the house in 1854 and 1872.

The Hon. Dwight Morris of Bridgeport, who was secretary of state during the administration of Governor Hubbard, 1877-78, and served three terms in the lower house in 1845, 1864, and 1889.

State Treasurer Charles M. Pond of Hartford, who was treasurer in 1870 and 1871, during the administration of Governor English; state senator from the First district from 1872 to 1877, and a member of the lower house in 1883 and 1888.

The Hon. Thomas Clark of Stonington, comptroller in 1887-88 during Governor Lounsbury's administration; senator in 1867, and representative of his town in the lower house in 1861, 1862 and 1866.

Twelve ex-senators have died during the year, including Charles Morse of Norfolk, the old Seventh district, 1877; John R. Tracy of Griswold, the old Eighth district, 1875; William M. Corbin of Union, the old Twentieth district, the same year; Heusted W. R. Hoyt of Greenwich, the Twelfth district, in 1869 and 1873, and speaker of the house in 1857; Robert Pierpont of Morris, the old Fifteenth district in 1857; Nelson Roberts of Torrington, senator from the same district in 1866; E. Grove Lawrence of Norfolk, the old Seventeenth district, in 1868 and 1869; Edward N. Shelton of Derby, who represented the Fifth district in 1869; Philo B. Buckingham of Seymour, the same district, in 1855; Alexander S. Palmer of Stonington, the old Seventh district, in 1876 and 1877; Thomas Gross, Jr., of East Haddam, representing the Twenty-first district in the senate of 1893, and ex-Mayor Amos W. Prentice of Norwich, the old Eighth district, in 1864.

Among the more prominent of nearly 170 ex-members of the house who have died during the year were Captain J. B. Savage of Southington, who served ten terms between 1853 and 1881; Alfred North of Berlin, 1849 and 1855; General William H. Noble of Bridgeport, 1844; the Rev. Thomas H. Fessenden of Farmington, 1866, 1867 and 1868; Richard S. Beebe of Stafford, 1868 and 1874; Colonel Francis Gowdy of East Windsor, 1870 and 1871; Editor Joseph E. Selden of East Haddam, 1881; John K. Shepard of Norfolk, 1847, 1857 and 1871; the Hon. Alvan P. Hyde of Hartford, representative from Tolland, 1854, 1858 and 1862; Silas M. Norton of Bristol, 1856 and 1857; Samuel Simpson, the veteran Wallingford manufacturer, 1846, 1859, 1865 and 1879; Henry Gilderbeve, the Portland shipbuilder, 1861; Gordon W. Hull of Wallingford, 1876; John B. Moseley of Glastonbury, 1870; Judge John G. Crump of New London, 1880; Thomas O. Enders of West Hartford (a prominent insurance man of Hartford), 1889 and 1891; Martin S. Crow of Norwich, 1870 and 1871; Willis A. Strong of Woodbury, 1862, 1874 and 1875; Horace N. Trumbull of Stonington, 1862 and 1863; ex-Mayor I. W. Carpenter of Norwich, 1878, 1879 and 1880; William S. Williams of Glastonbury, 1886, and John S. Hanks of Mansfield, 1874 and 1875.

Five members of the general assembly of 1893 are dead. Representatives Peck of Derby and Brinton of Canaan, who died during 1893, and Senator Gross of East Haddam and Representatives Potford of Newtown and Brown of Wilton, who died during 1894.

Among others who have passed away during the year, who have been identified with state affairs, were General William H. Green of Hartford, who was quartermaster general in 1870 under Governor English, and again from 1871 to 1876, during the administration of Governor Ingersoll, and General James B. Coit of Norwich, paymaster general in 1883 and 1884, during Governor Waller's administration.

Ex-county commissioners who died were: Samuel F. Talmadge of Berlin, Hartford county, 1874-6; Silas M. Norton of Bristol, Hartford county, 1886-90; Nelson Roberts of Torrington, Litchfield county, 1857; John W. Lake of New Haven, New Haven county, 1877-9; Dr. Maurice B. Bennett of Coventry, Tolland county, 1876-8; Amos W. Prentice of Norwich, New London county, 1863; Dr. Sylvester Mead of Wilton, Fairfield county, 1860.

Ex-sheriffs who died during the year were: William M. Corbin of Union, 701-land county, 1881-4; Edward A. Leeds of Stamford, Fairfield county, 1869 to 1875; Lorenzo G. Winter of Tolland, Tolland county, 1878 to 1881.

Revolutionary Relic. An interesting relic of years ago was recently exhibited to the Daughters of the American Revolution in Bridgeport by Miss Jeanette Booth of that city. It is a pay roll kept by Captain John Booth (her great-grandfather) of his company of alarmists which responded to the New Haven and Fairfield alarm. There are about forty-five names on the roll, showing the time of their enlistment, number of days in service, time of discharge, wages due, rations due, place of discharge (Green-field), number of miles to and from camp, rate of horse travel, and amount of horse travel.

Railroad Suit. Depositions were taken yesterday at the Consolidated railroad office building in the suit over the validity of the Consolidated's lease of the Housatonic. The suit is by minority stockholders of the Housatonic railroad. The ground set up in the petition to set aside the lease is that the amount received did not represent the actual value of the stock. Mr. Wilson, formerly of the Connecticut River railroad, was examined. Attorney George D. Watrous appeared for the Consolidated road and Attorney Fowler of New York for the petitioners, and John W. Ailing for the Housatonic road. The depositions will be submitted to the United States circuit court when the case is tried at Hartford.

THE LATE GEN. JOHN B. DENNIS.

Record of a Brave and Patriotic Man Well Known in New Haven.

To the Editor of the JOURNAL AND COURIER: Permit me to speak of a brave soldier, the late General John B. Dennis, whose death you announced in your valuable paper and mention of whose illness you from time to time recorded. Major Dennis, as he was best known to his many old friends in New Haven, had been for many years past living in Omaha, Neb. He died at Melrose, Mass., a few days ago. Last fall he came east to attend the annual reunion of the Seventh regiment, Connecticut Volunteers, and was taken ill at the residence of his brother, Jared Dennis, No. 230 High street, Hartford. After partial recovery he went to his sister's home in Melrose, but did not regain his health. The deceased was a native of Norwich in this state and lived there until the war broke out.

General Dennis served during the war of the rebellion for over four years. He was one of the first to enlist and went out with the Worcester Light Infantry in April, 1861, with the first three months' troops from Massachusetts. He afterwards returned to Norwich, and on August 19, 1861, was commissioned captain of Company H, Seventh regiment, Connecticut Volunteers, General Hawley's regiment. He was captured June 2, 1864, at the battle of Bermuda Hundred, Va., and escaped from rebel prison at Columbia, S. C. November 28, 1864. His discharge followed on February 17, 1865. He was afterward commissioned major and additional paymaster United States Volunteers, was promoted lieutenant colonel and brigadier general by brevet, March 13, 1865, and received his final discharge from the service July 31, 1865.

After the close of the war General Dennis removed to South Carolina, became paymaster general and served in the legislature of that state in 1868 and 1870. In 1873 he was appointed an agent of the United States quartermaster's department at Yankton, Dak., and one year later became an internal revenue officer. During his residence in Dakota he was the commander of the National Guard of that state. In 1889 he was appointed the chief deputy collector of internal revenue for the district of Nebraska, with headquarters at Omaha.

General Dennis was married three times. His first wife was Hattie S. Loring of Worcester, who died in 1860. The second wife was Sara M. English of New Haven, whose death occurred in 1870. She was a daughter of an old and esteemed townsman, Nathaniel S. English of Fair Haven. The third wife, who survives him, was Mrs. Elizabeth Hedgethorpe.

General Dennis was a very popular officer in the Seventh regiment, and the news of his death will be received with sincere sorrow by the surviving members. He was a bright, active man in business matters and was fond of making money, but was exceedingly generous and charitable. He possessed a cheerful disposition, and during his service always made the best of disagreeable circumstances. He believed in the success of the war and the restoration of the union, and was an intense patriotic man.

General Dennis, when a captain of the Seventh, was with twenty of his company taken prisoners in June, 1864, while guarding the picket line before Petersburg. He was detained some months, and with others from Norwich was among the Federal soldiers sent to Charleston to be placed within range of the guns of the Federal batteries, in retaliation for the bombardment of the city by General Gilmore. Transferred in the course of his captivity to six different prisons he, after one ineffectual attempt, finally made his escape with thirteen companions on December 24. General Dennis bore all the expenses incident to the recruiting of his company, in the Sixth Massachusetts regiment, with which he first went to the war, and was reimbursed by Hon. William P. Greene and daughter of Norwich. The deceased, although a prisoner in both Columbus and Charleston, held important offices in both cities after the war, representing the latter city in the legislature.

General Dennis remains were brought to Norwich and interred in the family lot. He leaves a wife and two sons, who live in Omaha. Mr. Edgar F. Dennis of Norwich is a nephew, and Mrs. Fred Reynolds is a niece of the deceased. Three brothers also survive, him, Jared of Hartford, Gorham of Providence and Charles of Toronto, Canada.

If the Baby is Cutting Teeth. Resure and use that old and well-tried remedy, Mrs. Winslow's Soothing Syrup for children teething. It soothes the inflamed gums, allays pain, cures wind colic and is the best remedy for diarrhoea. 25 cents a bottle.

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Dry Goods. A Great Tussle! AT McINTYRE'S THIS WEEK. Money vs. Goods. GOODS say we'll be worth just as much money next season as we are now, then why not let us slumber in peace? MONEY does not deny it, but argues that goods have had a pretty soft time of it all the fall, and now they must come down off "their perch" and be subjected to an immediate dose of cutting, which can only be relieved by quick selling. As we have been appointed judges of the controversy we have taken sides with money, and will at once begin the greatest slaughter ever known in January. BLANKETS. Goods say we are worth what others ask, why sacrifice us at these unmerciful figures? Money says we admit you are worth more than we ask, but must go at our price. MARKDOWN. 500 White and Grey Blankets, now 19c each. 100 White and Grey Blankets, now 60c pair. 250 White 11x4 Blankets, now \$1.75 pair. 30 White 11x4 Blankets, now \$2.39 pair. 50 White 11x4 Blankets, now \$3.50 pair. 50 Robe Blankets, now \$3.75 each. 40 Ladies' Macintoshes, now \$2.25. 75 Ladies' Jackets, now \$4.98. 212 Ladies' Jackets, now \$7.50.

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BOARD OF RELIEF. The Board of Relief of the Town of New Haven hereby give notice that they will meet at their office, No. 8 City Hall, on Monday, January 7th, 1895, at 9 o'clock a. m., and by adjournment on every week day until January 20th, inclusive, also on Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings of each week and Saturday evening, the 28th. For the purpose of hearing any appeals that may be made from the doings of the Board of Assessors. WALTER H. LORD, FREDERICK W. TUTTLE, GEORGE H. COE, DAVID O'DONNELL, GEORGE E. MITCHELL, Board of Relief.

MECHANICS' BANK, Quarterly Statement, January 1st, 1895. Capital stock, \$300,000.00. Depositors, \$11,908.78. Dividends, \$2,733.18. Surplus fund, \$0.00. Profit and loss, \$1,762.29. Dividends unpaid, \$1,197.60. Liabilities, \$893,575.30. Bills discounted, \$883,913.75. Banking house, \$5,661.55. Specific, \$3,829.00. Bank and legal tender notes, \$1,011.29. Due from clearing house, \$1,584.81. Checks and cash items, \$1,584.81. Resources, \$893,575.30. CHAS. H. TROWBRIDGE, Cashier.