

# BRIDGEPORT AS IT WAS

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Lieut. Smith, who was present at living when Capt. Carson returned a short time since to this country. Being apprised of what had taken place in his family, he sent his father-in-law to inform his wife of his arrival in this country, and shortly after went to the house where she resided. His object was to let her know that she had married in his absence and she answered in the affirmative. He demanded his papers and his children.

Lieut. Smith, who was present at the conversation, withdrew to an adjacent room for a few minutes. He returned in a few minutes with a loaded pistol, and immediately discharged its contents into the head of Capt. Carson. The ball entered at his mouth and shattered his head in a shocking manner. In this situation he has languished from the 29th of January until February 4th, when he expired. Lieut. Smith was taken into custody.—N. Y. Herald.

### RECENT MARRIAGES.

AT NEWCASTLE POINT, on Sunday evening last, by the Rev. M. P. Shelton, Mr. Joseph Brooks to Mrs. Hannah King.

AT NEW FAIRFIELD, Mr. Harold Kenner to Miss Lydia Ann Ball.

AT WESTON, Mr. Ezekiah Parsons to Miss Sally Downs.

AT NEW MILFORD, Mr. Philo Ruggles to Miss Anna Lockwood.

IN THE CITY OF NEW YORK, on February 6th, 1816, by the Rev. Dr. Romeyn, Mr. Richard P. Hart, of Troy, to Miss Betsy Amelia Howard, of that City.

### RECENT DEATHS.

AT HUNTINGTON, Feb. 18, 1816.—Rev. David Ely, D.D., aged 66, and in the 43rd year of his ministry. His funeral was attended on Monday, and a discourse delivered from Ezekiel, 2nd, 5th, by Rev. Mr. Waterman, to a large assembly, who deeply felt the irreparable loss of a worthy man and minister to himself and to his society, the college of which he was an overseer, and the churches in this vicinity—of which he was truly a father in Christ.

AT NEW MILFORD, Major-General Augustus Taylor.

AT STRATFIELD, the widow Eunice Sterling, aged 72.

AT DANBURY, Mr. John Trowbridge.

### FIFTY YEARS AGO.

#### THE CAMPAIGN OPENED.

Great Meeting at Franklin Hall Last Night.

There was a meeting at Franklin hall last evening of the friends of the Union such as it cheers one's heart to see. The large room was thronged almost as soon as the doors were thrown open, and crowds were in the hall and about the doorway. It was the first wave of that great sea of patriotism which is to sweep across the country this wayward the fanaticism which the last five years has seen. It was a meeting that seemed to rouse new hopes in the breasts of the friends of the Constitution.

Whenever such names as ANDREW JOHNSON, JAMES E. ENGLISH or JAMES DIXON were mentioned, they were greeted with the most enthusiastic demonstrations showing conclusively that the people appreciate the efforts of these noble patriots in defence of the principles upon which the government is founded.

A number of flags were suspended in the hall, and a banner at the back of the stage bore the following inscription:

The Constitution Jefferson and Madison the Founders. Jackson, the Defender. Webster, the Expounder. Johnson, the Upholder.

Equal and exact justice to all, with privilege to none. No taxation without representation.

Mr. E. B. Goodsell called the meeting to order at 7 o'clock and nominated the following gentlemen for officers:

President—Hop. James C. Loomis. Vice-Presidents—Hon. W. D. Bishop, J. V. Hawes, Charles Fox, D. C. Peck, S. McKie, Martin Condit, John Levery, C. M. Hatch, George W. Bacon, Hon. Jarratt Morford, Eli Thompson, J. D. Alvord, Fenelon Hubbell, Thomas J. Hogan, John Barr, Ira Gregory, Carlos Curtis, Jacob Klopstock, Col. S. B. Sumner, William M. Dunning, John Wheeler, of Westport; Matthew Buckley, of Weston; John H. Glover, of Fairfield; Seymour Wells, of Stratford; George B. Ambler, of Trumbull; Zerah Fairman, of Newtown; Charles Wheeler, of Easton.

Secretaries—James L. Gould, L. M. Slade, Frederick Hurd and John F. Clancy.

Stirring addresses were made by the Hon. John VanBuren, of New York; E. B. Goodsell, of this city; John H. Glover, of Fairfield, and W. D. Bishop of this city. The following is the Democratic state ticket for 1866:

For Governor—Hon. James E. English, of New Haven; for Lieutenant-Governor, Ephraim M. Hyde, of Stratford; for Secretary of State, John Olney, of Stratford; for Treasurer, Herman H. Barber, of Hartford; for Comptroller, Thomas H. C. Kingsbury, of Brantford.

### S. S. S. CLUB HOP.

The next and last of the series of hops of this deservedly popular club will take place at Franklin Hall on

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### HELD FOR POSTAGE.

In the Postoffice at New Haven there are letters for Elizabeth Hubbell and Capt. John McNeil, both of this city. Our friends are requested to call for these letters within the required time limit, lest they be sent to the Dead Letter Office at Washington.

### TWENTY YEARS AGO.

#### SCHOOL BOARD MEETING.

The board of Education last evening transacted a great deal of routine business. It was decided to grant the usual Spring vacation, closing the schools March 27, and reopening them Monday, April 6.

The board granted the use of the assembly room in the High school to Supt. Deane for a "round table" talk with the principals of the Fairfield county schools, Saturday next.

E. B. Hull, Jr., teacher in the Prospect street school, was given indefinite leave of absence owing to illness.

The resignation of Adolph Kimmelin, janitor of the Nichols street school, was received and accepted.

The meeting was the last of the terms of Edward F. Hallen and Mr. John N. Near, Democrats and Mr. Shelton and Mr. Strong, Republicans.

### SACRIFICED HIS COAT.

The grass on the baseball field at Avon park caught fire yesterday afternoon and burned a portion of the fence about the premises. One of the Traction company employes, A. W. Fleming, discovered it and throwing off his overcoat, fought the flames. After he had succeeded in extinguishing the flames, he went to get his coat, and found it was ruined.

### A PLEASANT WHIST PARTY.

Miss Mattie J. E. Carroll gave a very enjoyable whist party at her residence, 562 State street, last evening. The first prize was won by Miss Ada Glynn, and the second by Mr. Alfred Stewart, and the consolation prize was awarded to Mr. J. H. Averill. A collation was served.

Among those present were the Misses Burnes, Witherell, Glynn, Saybe, Ball, Thompson, Middlebrook, Hammond, and Gerbich, and Messrs. Downs, Dinkenson, Cook, Staples, Blackman, Devereaux, Sharp, Alfred and Jesse Stewart and J. H. Averill, of New York, and the child Mrs. Sidney Hodge and Mr. and Mrs. Frederick T. Carroll.

### AT THE THEATRE.

Primrose & West's minstrels come to the Park City to-night. Their performance this season is said to be far in advance of anything they have ever given before.

Donnelly & Girard, the fun-makers and "The Rainmakers" will appear in their great skit Friday evening. Ward and Vokes' satirical success, "A Run on the Bank," comes Saturday evening. Johnny Page, the acrobatic comedian is with them.

### JUSTICE BARTLETT MARRIES.

Esther Terrill and Charles W. Guthrie, of New Haven, called on Justice Frederick A. Bartlett yesterday afternoon, "harked and equipped as the law directs," and were married. The bride was 23 and the groom 26.

### SUBSTITUTE FIREMAN APPOINTED.

The Fire commissioners held a short meeting last evening and the only actual business transacted was the appointment of George Boland as a substitute in Engine Co. No. 4.

### IN HEALTH CIRCLES.

Three new cases of measles were reported to the Health officer to-day. The victims are Mrs. Weed, of 51 State street, James Beckwith, 342 Central avenue, and a child named Hartel at 63 Hanover street.

### AT THE EMERGENCY HOSPITAL.

John Lynch, assistant janitor at the city hall, received a severe cut on his right hand while washing windows this morning.

John Coates, aged 15, of 84 James street, fell and dislocated the small finger on his left hand yesterday.

Moseley Benton, of 88 Warren St., injured his right knee yesterday and he applied for treatment at the emergency hospital to-day.

Bernard Rogers, of 8 Mulloy's Lane, had the index finger of his left hand amputated by Dr. Osborn yesterday. The finger was frozen several days ago, but the physician found that the member could not be saved.

Bernard Connors, of 206 Howard avenue, crushed one of his fingers while upsetting a dump cart to-day.

John Madelonski, of 143 Green St., sustained a fracture of his left arm while playing ice polo yesterday at Pembroke Lake.

Carl Murphy, of 12 Center street, this morning had a severe cut an inch long over his right eye stitched. Murphy was coming up the cellar steps this forenoon and slipped, striking his forehead against the stone steps.

### JUDGMENT FOR ATTORNEY LYNCH.

In the case of James T. Lynch vs. Patrick Heenan, brought before the Common Pleas court, defendant has defaulted. Plaintiff is awarded judgment for \$254.57, the amount of his fees and costs in the case of Patrick Heenan vs. the Bridgeport Traction Co.

### CLUB MEN PURCHASE BATHS.

The Turkish bath rooms at State and Court streets, conducted for many years by Charles C. White, have been purchased by a number of the more prominent members of the Algonquin club. The place changed hands this morning. The new owners are Charles M. Calhoun, J. M. Hawley, W. D. Sidney, Jr., Nathaniel and H. A. Bishop, T. P. Taylor, De-Var Warner, Henry Setzer, Frank Miller, Jerome Orcutt, and Mayor Frank Clark.

## PRIEST MARRIES

### "LEFTY" FLYNN IN CATHOLIC CHURCH

Cardinal Farley Sanctions Nuptials After Investigation of Case.

MISS SMITH NOT FIRST.

The statement which appeared in several local papers yesterday that Lella Smith, of 81 William street stood highest in the test of eligible females for appointment to any vacancy under the civil service rules, did injustice to several other young women. The list shows that Miss Smith is third on the list. Miss Adella Gallagher of Lafayette street, is first, with a percentage of 88.65; Miss Annie Lee, of Harral avenue, second, with 81.65; Miss Smith's percentage was 81.

The civil service commissioners have presented the names of William Banker, Frank Stapleton and E. F. Fagan, from whom the successor to Clerk MacDonald, who resigned last evening, will be selected.

### Teuton Information Bureau Successful

The German and Austro-Hungarian Labor Information bureau, with offices in the Warner building here, announced to-day that up to Jan. 31, 85.34 per cent of all applicants had been supplied with work.

Nationally, the institution claims a record of 92.39 per cent. Felix Lauter, who conducts the offices here, said to-day that the record is unsurpassed.

A dispatch from Berlin states that a match is being arranged between Prince Boris, eldest son of King Ferdinand of Bulgaria and heir to the throne, and a princess of the House of Hapsburg.

Following the rumor that 200 Mexicans had been deliberately burned to death in the El Paso jail, Charles Phelps, motorman of a trolley car at Juarez, was shot and fatally injured by an unidentified Mexican.

### FUNERAL DESIGNS AND BOUQUETS

JOHN RECK & SON.

## Buechler's ANNIVERSARY Sale

CONTINUES

GREATLY REDUCED PRICES PREVAIL

10% TO 25%

ON OUR ENTIRE STOCK

M. J. BUECHLER

THE RELIABLE JEWELER

48 FAIRFIELD AVENUE

NEAR MIDDLE STREET

## From Indiana Bench To Ambassador To Chile

### Joseph H. Shea



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Joseph H. Shea, the new ambassador to Chile, in succession to Henry P. Fletcher, who has been sent to Mexico, is an Indiana judge. He has been a member of the appellate bar of the state since 1913. His home is in Seymour, Ind. Judge Shea is a Democrat in politics and has been a prosecuting attorney and a member of the state senate.

### WANT ITALIAN POICE

Persons of Italian birth gathered Monday evening in the Garden of Italy. A vote was taken and it was the sense of the meeting that Italian-born citizens of Bridgeport should be recognized in the appointments of 60 policemen here.

The members and friends of the Ladies' Aid society of the German Reformed church, will meet tomorrow afternoon at the church parlors, Chapel street entrance. Refreshments will be served by Mrs. Charles Schwarz, Mrs. William Schwarz, Mrs. John Schwarz and Mrs. Matthew Schwarz.

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### FROM THE BRINY DEEP

and other water, salt and fresh, deep and shallow, comes our supply of FISH

What the market furnishes today:

SHAD HALIBUT

SEA TROUT

COD HADDOCK

SMELT SALMON

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**Meat Dept.**  
**March 8, 1916**  
**Mutton Forequarters**  
**12c per lb**

**BAKERY BULLETIN.**  
 Hermit Bars ..... (8c per Doz.  
 Snowflake Biscuits .....  
 Orange and Coconut Marshmallow Cookies,  
 Coconut Bars, Coconut Buns.  
 A lot of new things in our bakery.

**GROCERY.**  
 Evaporated Apples ..... 10c per lb.  
 Evaporated Peaches ..... 10c per lb.  
 Large Jumbo ..... 12c lb.  
 Medium Prunes 4 lbs. for 25c  
 Evaporated Apricots ..... 14c per lb.  
 Fancy ..... 18c per lb.  
 Large Meaty Prunes ..... 12½c per lb.

**CEREALS.**  
 Teco Pancake Flour or Hecker's Pancake Flour  
 Buckwheat, 3 packages ..... 10c and 20c  
 for ..... 25c  
 B. P. M. Prepared Buckwheat ..... 15c pkg.  
 E. C. Cornflakes 4 packages ..... 25c

**BRIDGEPORT**  
**Public Market & Branch**  
 STATE & BANK STS. E. MAIN ST.  
 PHONES.

**CARTWRIGHT'S**  
 ESTABLISHED 1856 982 MAIN STREET OPPOSITE JOHN STREET  
**WOMEN'S NOVELTY BOOTS**  
**AT STAPLE PRICES**  
**\$3.00, \$3.50, \$4.00, \$5.00**  
 Style never was an excuse for high prices at Cartwright's. Women's Novelty Boots are here in great variety and at moderate prices.  
 Not a single penny added for their beauty of design and finish. You pay simply for the cost of materials and workmanship.  
 Dull, Patent and Dongola Kid Boots ..... \$3.00  
 Dull, Bronze and Tan Leather with low heels, Boots ..... \$3.50 and \$4.00  
 White, Gray, Bronze and Tan of Boots ..... \$5.00  
 THE HOUSE OF BETTER SHOES.

**StepRight In, Troubled Feet**  
 If your feet give you any concern just bring them into our store, Wednesday, Thursday or Friday of this week, and tell their troubles to Mr. Alick Weir, of New York, the special representative of the Anatomik Footwear Co.  
 Throughout the country Mr. Weir has had great success in relieving flat foot, weak ankles, so-called rheumatism and other troublesome ailments of the feet by shoes selected and fitted by him.  
 Mr. Weir will be glad to demonstrate the special features of Anatomik shoes to anybody and show why thousands of men, women and children find so much comfort in them, especially those who are over-weight or who have to stand or walk much.  
**W. K. MOLLAN**  
 1026 Main Street.

**20th Anniversary Sale**  
**at Geo. B. Clark & Co.**  
**EVERYTHING IN THE STORE SUBSTANTIALLY PRICE LESSENED**  
 BARGAINS IN THE TRUE SENSE UPON FURNITURE AND HOUSE FURNISHINGS OF QUALITY  
**George B. Clark & Co.**  
 COMPLETE HOME FURNISHERS  
 1057-73 BROAD ST. OPP. POST OFFICE

**Hothornagle's**  
**\$6 FOR \$5**  
**Sale Ends This Week**  
**You Get Real Furniture Here**  
 \$6 worth for every \$5 Cash you pay during this remarkable sale. A splendid opportunity for young people furnishing up a new home to save money enough to furnish one or two rooms absolutely free. Truly worth your careful consideration. Carpets, Linoleum, Oil Cloth, Lace Curtains, Portieres, Couch Covers, Pictures, Refrigerators, Baby Carriages, and Fireless Cookers are all in the \$6 for \$5 Sale.

**RUGS!** A lot of fine close-out patterns of Rugs at greatly reduced prices. . . . .

**10% OFF** **GLENWOOD**  
 Coal and Gas Ranges, Springs, Mattresses, Pillows, and Hoosier Kitchen Cabinets During This Sale. . . . .

**EXCEPTIONS** Whittall Rugs, Office Furniture, Climax Couches, Shades and Vacuum Cleaners Are Not Reduced. . . . .

**YOUR PURCHASE WILL BE HELD For Later Delivery For A Reasonable Time If Necessary. No Goods Held Unless Paid For.**  
**REMEMBER! \$6 For \$5 Ends This Week.**  
 1149 Main St., Corner Elm St.