

Mason Post and W. R. C. will install their officers Thursday, Jan. 31. Dinner will be served at 12 o'clock.

Leon Collins has moved into the Cook house and is to work for Amos Bean.—Mr. Roberts has moved from the Richardson house into the William Drew house.

The Mite Society ladies had a large attendance and good sales at their fair, taking \$46.00 for goods sold. Some of the articles sent from friends at a distance were very beautiful and represented a great deal of work.

Mr. and Mrs. Chapin Leonard returned last Monday from a three weeks' visit in Massachusetts and Rhode Island. While in Providence, R. I., they visited Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Ellis, who are well known in this section. They found Mrs. Ellis in rather poor health and Mr. Ellis suffering from his eyes and partially blind. Mr. Ellis was formerly a merchant in this place and has many friends here who will be interested in his welfare.

#### Greensboro.

The Ladies' Home Circle met with Mrs. F. T. Smith last Wednesday. Nineteen were present.

The five weeks old baby of Mr. and Mrs. George Richardson died last Monday. Interment at East Albany.

A rare treat is in store for us next Friday evening in the way of a lecture by Rev. P. B. Fisk. Subject, "Cost of a Boy."

Miss Lindsay is now improving quite rapidly from her injuries and it is expected that she will be in the post-office again next week.

J. A. Crane returned last week from a business trip in New Hampshire and Massachusetts to spend the holidays with his family.

Mrs. F. J. Chase is teaching in the primary department of the school at Craftsbury in the place of Miss Annie Macomber who is ill with fever.

Through the generosity of Hon. H. S. Tolman the town of Greensboro has been presented with a fine new building to be used for a free public library. This is the most useful gift the town has ever received, and cannot fail to be appreciated by all those who have an interest in the upbuilding of society. The building is one of which the people may justly be proud and will perpetuate the memory of one who has long been identified with the best interests of the town. At a recent meeting a board of trustees were chosen and the sum of one hundred dollars appropriated for the use of the library.

#### Greensboro Bend.

Ethel Allen is sick with bilious fever. Dr. Weeks is attending her.

C. O. Davison is moving to Stannard this week and Mr. Flander's people are moving into the Davison house.

Vernie Pope is assisting in Salmon's store during the holidays. Greensboro merchants are not to be left behind in holiday decorations and show of goods.

Christmas exercises are to be observed at the Methodist church Tuesday evening.—Rev. A. N. Ross expects to be at Albany part of this week to assist in the meetings there.

#### Irasburgh.

Most of the schools in town are closed until Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry House report a safe arrival in Pasadena, California.

Christmas exercises will be held at the Methodist church this evening.

Rev. E. P. Treat will preach next Sunday on the subject "Evil of the Century."

Philip Thompson has returned to Barton for the winter term of school at the academy.

Charles Fisher went last Saturday to Montgomery to do teaming for the Hutchins mill.

Miss Eunice Wheeler has been caring for Mrs. George Brewster who has been quite ill.

Mrs. Treat has taught the intermediate department of the village school the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Webster have gone to Boston to spend a few weeks with Mr. Webster's brother.

All are welcome to bring their presents to the Christmas tree at the Congregational church tomorrow evening.

Miss Pierce from Ohio has been visiting her nephew, Rev. Edward Treat.—Mr. and Mrs. P. O. Holt of Newport are visiting at G. W. Parker's.

G. W. Russell is offering his friends an unusually pretty calendar showing an attractive picture of Irasburgh common as it appeared before the fire in 1899.

There will be a Christmas cantata with other exercises at the Cong'l church tomorrow evening. Exercises to commence at half past seven o'clock.

There will be a promenade and dance at the Irasburgh House, Tuesday evening, Jan. 1. Good music will be in attendance and a most pleasant evening is promised. Full bill, \$1.50. Come out and have a good time.

At the annual meeting of the Cong'l society Friday evening Dec. 14th Mrs. Helen Thompson, Miss Mattie Holdridge and Mr. H. H. Somers were chosen church committee. The society is reported out of debt.

Mrs. McGoff has returned home from Colorado, where she has been spending a few months with her daughter.—Mrs. Metcalf is visiting friends in Albany.—Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boright are visiting Mr. Boright's parents in Sweetburg, Que.

Miss Helen Somers is at home from Burlington College for the Christmas vacation. Henry Somers is also spending a few days at home.—Mrs. Albert Webster is spending a few days with her parents, Mr. and E. W. Keith.—Olin Webster is at home from Burlington College.

Christmas music was sung and an excellent Christmas sermon given at the Congregational church yesterday.—Rev. P. N. Granger of Sheffield preached in the Methodist church yesterday in exchange with Rev. Mr. Knapp. His many friends were pleased to see him.

The Ladies' Aid meeting which was held

at Joseph Cook's was a very pleasant affair. A chicken pie dinner was served to between thirty and forty persons. In the business meeting the ladies voted to furnish supper for the Masons who are to hold their district meeting at Irasburgh on Jan. 8, 1901.

As Mr. G. B. Brewster was taking Miss Eunice Wheeler home last week, the horse shied and ran on to a snow drift tipping both occupants out. Miss Wheeler was quite badly injured, but is recovering. Mr. Brewster escaped unhurt. After running up to Mr. Wheeler's store, the horse returned home.

The Masons of the 10th Masonic district will hold their annual district meeting with the lodge here the afternoon and evening of Tuesday, Jan. 8th. There are six lodges in the district and it is expected that the attendance will be very large. Meridian Sun Lodge, with E. H. Wallace, W. M. in the chair, will work the E. A. degree in the afternoon, and in the evening Central lodge, G. W. Russell, W. M. will confer the third degree. This will be followed by a banquet in court house hall. Prominent Masons from various sections of the state will be present and some good speaking will be heard.

#### Lowell.

W. L. Kinsley has been very poorly all the fall but is beginning to get out a little more now.

Logs are coming in to the mill here rather slowly owing to the early snows which seriously interfered with cutting them.

Chas Wedge has purchased the Sanville house of Dr. Hill and will move there as soon as Jacob Greenwood, the present occupant, moves out.

Frank Murphy and Wilbur Blanchard are at home from New York on a visit. Frank is suffering from a broken shoulder, which interfered with his business as ice-man.

Mrs. Della Bogue, who has been keeping house for Wm. Chaffee's people for some time past, died from the effects of a shock last Wednesday. The funeral was held in Eden on Friday.

Harry Chase, son of S. R. Chase shot himself through the palm of his left hand while experimenting with an old revolver which he purchased of a schoolmate. The boys attend the school in the Richards district and this is the second shooting accident that has happened there this year. The boys ought to know that aside from the possibility of personal injury from carrying firearms, there is a penalty imposed by the law for carrying such weapons.

#### Morgan.

H. H. Bartlett will clerk for Fred Taylor of Newport Center while Mr. Taylor is away for the winter. Henry Rye will occupy Mr. Bartlett's house for the winter.

#### Newport.

The employees of the B. F. Moore & Co. factory are working only nine hours.

E. A. Walcott of Glover assisted W. E. Jenks, the photographer, during the holidays.

Mrs. Effie A. Donnie, a former resident, was recently married to Mr. James Pierce in Montpelier.

R. C. Donney has opened a barber shop in the rooms formerly occupied by George Burbank as a store.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richardson have moved from West Derby into W. E. Jenks' tenement on Cottage street.

There is to be an observance of Christmas at the Cong'l church Tuesday evening, and also at the M. E. church.

Mary Richmond is home from Holyoke Mass., where she has been attending school.—A. H. Chilson is home from Boston where he has been during the past fall.

Henry Wilson of Derby, a former citizen here, fell last week injuring one of his hips quite severely. This is the fourth time he has fallen and sustained injuries to this hip.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Templeton of Montpelier were in town the past week on their wedding trip. Mrs. Templeton is a sister of Mrs. Frank Hill.

Joseph Colby is home from Dartmouth college, Park Farrar and Clayton Elkins from St. Johnsbury, and Ralph Hamilton from Burlington, to spend the holiday vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. B. S. Curtis are visiting in Springfield, Mass., and Hartford, Conn., during the holidays.—Mrs. Horace Story visited her daughter, Mrs. N. L. Foster, last week.—Mrs. T. J. Richards has returned from Stamford, Conn., where she has been for several weeks.

Miss Marjory Batchelder assisted by Miss Margaret Gorham, pianist, and Mr. Thomas F. Burroughs, violinist, of St. Johnsbury, gave a piano recital at the Odd Fellows' hall last Tuesday evening. Miss Batchelder has taken lessons in Burlington and is coming to the front as a pianist. She has over twenty scholars in this vicinity beside going to St. Johnsbury to play in the M. E. church there. The hall was filled with a large and appreciative audience.

#### Newport Center.

Charles Buck is building a barn.

Alonzo Hunt recently visited friends in Lunenburg.

Misses Laura and Lizzie Stickney are attending school at Derby.

Miss Hattie Perkins visited her mother, Mrs. Nettie Perkins, recently.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. Nettie Perkins last Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Hiram Drown has been having a severe time with a felon on her hand.

Alexander Benoit has gone to Boston to spend the winter with his children there.

There was a Christmas tree and exercises in the F. B. church last Monday evening.—Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Rey have returned to Springfield, Mass., where they are to reside.

Rev. A. Drown has moved to West Derby.—A. Kinnie has moved to the farm he recently purchased of Eli Sherman.

O. T. Kilby has had the Peoples' telephone put into his house and mill. C. W. Morse has an instrument in his shop.

George Page has moved into the Major Rollins house which H. L. Smith recently

purchased and the family that lived there have moved into M. F. Phillips' block.

Miss Mabel Rogers is home from Barre for the holidays.—Misses Myrtle Kinnie and Hila Jenkins are visiting friends at Ayers Flat.—Mrs. George Kelley is here spending the holidays with her mother, Mrs. Fronia Blake.—Miss Nettie Smith came home from Derby where she is teaching to spend Christmas.

#### Troy.

Wallace Miller has had a telephone put into his house.

Fred Preston has gone to Montreal hospital for treatment.

The Grangers have purchased a new organ of S. W. Parker of Newport.

Mr. and Mrs. E. A. Moreway have returned from their trip to Brattleboro.

The mill started Thursday morning after being closed about two months.

The Christmas tree is to be in the M. E. church on Monday evening instead of the opera hall as reported last week.

#### Westfield.

Miss Edith Cone is clerking for H. B. Hitchcock during the holidays.

Miss Borland of Lowell is to teach the school in the Lapierre schoolhouse. Arthur Cone is teaching in No. Jay.

E. S. Miller has sold his farm to Francis Jacques for thirteen hundred dollars. Possession to be given next spring.

Will Trumpass, who has trouble with his hearing, went to Montreal last Thursday accompanied by Dr. W. A. Young to consult an expert.

Mrs. Potter of Enosburg is here visiting her brother, Andrew Cross, accompanied by her two daughters. It is expected her daughters will remain during the winter.

Miss Lena Gilpin is home from Charleston for the holidays, also Miss Winnie Farman is home from Hardwick.—Max Miller is home from Brown University and Maud Miller from Newport, Lillian Miller from Barton, Helen Wakefield from North Troy and the academy students from Derby.—M. W. Farman has returned from his lecture trip in Lamolite county.—Mrs. Leon Durivage of Lowell visited at Wallace Wakefield's last week.—Will Demarreno has been in Boston on business.—Will Kelley is here from Craftsbury for a few days.

#### Westmore.

A girl baby arrived at Lewis Larocques Dec. 17.

The school in Dist. No. 6 will begin the 26th with Miss Sarah Patterson teacher.

Tom McLaughlin is driving team for C. W. Skinner.—Van A. Hunt of Evansville is boarding at S. A. Hunt's and going to school.—Mrs. Persis Brown is home from Lyndon where she has been stopping with her daughter for some time.

#### CALEDONIA COUNTY West Burke.

Mrs. Reuben Pierce and daughter are visiting at Jason Allard's.

The hotel has been closed to the public. Mr. Cheney has moved away.

The lawsuit of J. M. Smith vs. W. W. Coe, tried at the county court, was decided in favor of Mr. Coe, who gets his costs.

Arthur Berry of South Barton has the position of telegraph operator here. He takes the place of Mr. Waterman who has gone to Hyde Park.

The first entertainment in the West Burke lecture course will be a lecture by Mrs. Effie Jones in G. A. R. hall Friday evening, Dec. 28. Subject, "Shoot Folly as it Flies."

Mrs. Israel Parker and Mrs. M. W. Noyes remain about the same. Mrs. Mary Bailey is in very poor health.—Mrs. Eliza Davis of Burke is here helping care for Mrs. Noyes.

Mrs. Ada Silsby, who has been suffering from a severe attack of rheumatism, is much better.—A large circle of friends both here and elsewhere are greatly pained over the serious illness of Dr. M. L. Sleeper, Dr. E. E. Dickerman is attending him.—Mrs. F. T. Porter's nurse, Mrs. Belden, has returned to St. Johnsbury. Mrs. Porter is gaining slowly.

Miss Alice Beckwith of Newbury has been here visiting relatives.—Celia Spencer and Florence Locke are home from Mt. Holyoke for the holidays.—Mrs. Beals of Natick, Mass., is here helping care for her brother, Dr. M. L. Sleeper.—Mrs. Novilla Pierce and daughter Bernice of St. Johnsbury are stopping at M. L. Sleeper's for awhile.—Mrs. R. L. Huntley and children are visiting in Lyndonville.—Mrs. Bertha Brockway was in Lyndonville last week.—Mrs. Carr and daughter of Manchester, N. H., have been visiting Mrs. Carr's mother, Mrs. Whipple.

Isaac Mann and Frank Aiken have started a sawing machine.

Mrs. Wallace Dow has been quite ill.—Mrs. Marvin is on the sick list.—Jacob Lovejoy is quite sick.

Christmas exercises were held Sabbath morning in the Cong. church and a sacred cantata in the evening.

The young people of the Center district went to Greensboro Wednesday evening to visit Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Flanders.

Mrs. W. A. Lane and son of Barre are visiting her parents.—Grace Morgan from Concord is visiting at Albion Batten's.

#### Sheffield.

Zenas Blake, who has been living with his father, John Blake, has moved back to Lyndon.

Alva Chesley is very sick. His brother George who is in Orford, N. H., has been sent for.

The M. E. and Baptist churches will unite in holding Christmas exercises; the exercises being held at the Baptist church, Monday night.

George Dwyer has gone to Lexington, Mass., to visit his brother Nelson.—Mrs. H. L. Davis visited in Lyndon Center last week.—Melvin Drown went last Saturday to visit his sister, Mrs. Garfield, in Somerville, Mass., and also a sister in New London, N. H.

#### Sutton.

Arthur Curtis is teaching school in Newark.

Mrs. George Fogg has returned to Boston for the winter taking little Marian with her.

Henry Bowley who is lumbering here cut an elm tree last Thursday which scaled 1890 feet.

Edwin Curtis has let the Bennett Curtis place for three years to a Mr. McSharrre. Geo. Curtis will board with them.

Do the younger people always think of the loneliness of the aged. They are provided with a pleasant room, with the necessities, and even the luxuries of life, but many of their friends have passed on ward into the other life, and their circle of acquaintances has narrowed too. Also they have fewer interests, and occasionally they are dependent. When this is the unfortunate case every possible pains should be taken to show them that the reasons for gratitude are on the side of their children and grandchildren who are only paying a just debt when scrupulously caring for their parents.

With the return of each anniversary there is the opportunity to draw them into the good cheer, to give them unobtrusive attention. Is the old lady a little deaf, the old gentleman perhaps almost blind? Some younger ears must hear, some younger eyes see for both. Please them by gifts which convey some sentiment, not by those which are too strictly utilitarian. Neglected age is not exclusively found in squalid homes. It wears out slow days and nights in brownstone fronts and on spacious avenues, because the younger people are too busy to absorb and too indifferent to show it the loving attention it needs.—Good Housekeeping.

#### THE ENGINEER.

Who guides a strong impatient steed,  
That dashes over plain and mead,  
And fears no rival claims to speed?  
The Engineer.

Who scans the wide deceptive curve,  
And feels his engine leap and swerve,  
But tranquil keep a steady nerve?  
The Engineer.

Who has his position ne'er forsaken  
In case of accidental breaks,  
Although his heart within him quakes?  
The Engineer.

Who brings the jagged to the polls  
Whose vot'g the election close controls,  
And gladdens many thousand souls?  
The Engineer.

Who feels his glowing heart expand,  
As scores of boys and girls demand  
An answering nod to waving hand?  
The Engineer.

Who views the yellow golden-rod,  
The azure sky, the verdant sod,  
And marvels at the works of God?  
The Engineer.

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#### BIRTHS.

In Newport, Dec. 18, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richardson.

In Albany, Dec. 19, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Foss.

In Coventry, Dec. 8, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Wm. Priest.

#### MARRIED.

In Newport, Dec. 19, by Rev. A. F. McGregor, Harry T. Robbins and Winnie M. Campbell, both of Newport.

In Albany, Dec. 20, by Rev. H. Stiles, Mr. Nathan C. Barry of Brownington, and Miss Emma M. Cote of Barton.

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