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NEW ADS THIS WEEK.

Pansy. Babyland. The Kodak. Charley's Aunt. Cook Stove for Sale. Little Men and Women. Telephone Rates Reduced. Dressmaking—Miss Thomas. Boots and Shoes—A. W. Scott. Chamber Suits—Hall & Stanley. Flowers for the Ball—C. F. Gibbs. The Way to Sell Goods—J. S. Meigs. Dress Goods—Lougée Bros. & Smythe. Com. Notice—C. W. Horton's Estate. Trimmed Hats at Cost—E. C. Pierce & Co.

Weather Record.

Table with 3 columns: Day, Highest, Lowest. Rows for Wednesday, Thursday, Friday, Saturday, Sunday, Monday, Tuesday.

NEWS ABOUT HOME.

The Friends in Council club meet with Mrs. W. T. King this evening and will entertain several of their gentlemen friends. The big hit, "Charley's Aunt," by Bandon Thomas, under the direction of Charles Frohman, will be presented at Howe's Opera House, Feb. 1. At a special meeting of the Mystic Club Saturday evening a committee was chosen to arrange for a banquet to be held in the near future. John O. Hale has bought the residence of Col. Frank Walker near the foot of Summer street and taken possession. J. O. Drouin will adopt the cash basis Feb. 1, and will run no book accounts in his grocery and meat business after that date. The Salvation Army commenced a series of meetings at Stanley's Opera House Tuesday evening with a good attendance. Captain McHarg of Sherbrooke has charge and is an interesting speaker. Meetings will be held each evening except next Saturday and Monday evenings commencing at eight o'clock. Orleans county is surpassing all previous records in preparation for the musical festival at Newport, Feb. 5-8. Round trip fare from St. Johnsbury will be \$1.35. Fine soloists, superb orchestra, excellent chorus drill and—Grilley. Grilley is immense. Manager Bingham has notified the telephone subscribers of a reduction in rates beginning February 1. The rate for residences has been reduced from \$36 to \$33 a year and for business places from \$42 to \$39 a year. The many patrons of the company will be pleased to learn of the reduction. The Woman's Christian Temperance Union will hold its regular monthly meeting for January next Tuesday afternoon at 3 o'clock in the Y. M. C. A. hall. Important business is to come before the meeting and all ladies are cordially invited to be present. Every member of the Union who has not paid their dues for 1894 is requested to bring or send them to the next meeting. It is hoped there will be a full attendance.

ALL THREE WERE BOYS. Mrs. Lila A. Chapman, wife of George A. Chapman of West Springfield, Mass., gave birth to three boys last Saturday. The last to arrive of the Chapman triplets died soon after birth, but the other two and the mother are doing well. Mrs. Chapman was a Vermont girl and a native of Glover. She is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Standish and a niece of Mrs. E. P. Allen of this town. The rate of triplets to other births is one in 7000 and this is the first case on record in Springfield.

DARTMOUTH COLLEGE NOTES. The whole college and town were shocked last Thursday by the announcement of the sudden death of Prof. H. A. Hitchcock, associate professor of civil engineering in the Thayer School. He was taken with a chill early in the week which developed into pneumonia. He was born in Boston, May 13, 1857. He attended the public schools of Boston, graduated from Dartmouth College in 1879, and from the Thayer School of civil engineering in 1881. He had occupied several responsible positions as engineer and inspector. In 1883 Mr. Hitchcock was appointed associate professor in civil engineering in the Thayer school.

PERSONALS.

J. H. Brooks spent last Sunday with his sister in Sherbrooke. J. B. Cable has gone to White River Junction to work in a barber shop. Mrs. A. H. Ball of Sutton visited her son, Frank W. Ball, during last week. George Ranney made a business trip to Concord, N. H., early this week. Mrs. Charles Booth of Montpelier is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. D. Hastings. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Martin of Lyndonville were in town Tuesday evening. Mrs. George A. Balch of Lunenburg is in town the guest of Miss Alice A. Lynn. Hiram A. Huse of Montpelier, the state librarian, was in town yesterday on business. Frank X. Lanctot, mailing clerk at the post office, is enjoying a 15 days' vacation in the Provinces. Mrs. E. D. Harlow is a sufferer from tonsillitis and bronchitis, having been sick a number of days. Mrs. M. E. Clifford left Wednesday morning for Chicago to visit her brother, who is sick in that city. Henry E. Fletcher of Minneapolis paid a flying visit to his old friends last week returning home on Saturday. Miss Fannie Hartshorn entertained about 30 of her friends at her Summer street home last week Tuesday evening. Joseph Bowles has closed his labors at the freight depot and commenced work for George Carey as shipping clerk. Mrs. A. C. Harvey has returned from Boston where she has been for treatment, very much improved in health. Rev. J. A. Steele left Wednesday morning for Lowell, Mass., where he is to attend the marriage ceremony of his son. Howard Parker, who has been engaged in putting in mill machinery at Berlin Falls, N. H., was in town early in the week. Letter Carrier C. P. French is laid off because of an injury to one arm and Substitute H. W. Ellis is distributing the mail on his route. E. H. Blossom went to Woodbury last week to participate in a public meeting to interest the citizens in the new railroad from Hardwick to Woodbury. Those from St. Johnsbury who attended the musical festival at Littleton last week were: Mr. and Mrs. P. F. Hazen, Mrs. C. T. Ranlet, E. A. Silsby, Grace I. Russell, Katie D. Peck and Hattie Heald. Those of this town who will remember John Bannon, a former captain of the village baseball team, will be interested to learn that he is under contract to the Springfield, Mass., team for the coming season. Sias Randall was called to Nashua last week by the death of his brother, Nathaniel Randall. The deceased was 85 years old and was a former resident of St. Johnsbury. The body was brought here for interment. The teachers from here who attended the teachers meeting at West Concord, Tuesday, are Prin. W. P. Kelley, Miss Martha Ross, Misses Blanchard, Woodruff, May, Lee Gates and Severance. Miss Ross gave a talk on the art of drawing. The many friends of Miss Georgie H. Rickaby, formerly of St. Johnsbury will be pleased to learn that she has left the office of the Smith Premier Typewriter Co., Hartford, Conn., to accept an excellent position as stenographer with the Pope Manufacturing Co., of that city. Eugene S. Smith, who for the past four years has been a clerk in Lougee Bros. & Smythe's store, is to conclude his engagement there Feb. 20, and will move to Passumpsic, where he is to have general management of C. H. Higgins' store. Mr. Smith is a fine young man, a good salesman and popular among his friends. His many friends wish him true success in his new position. The last New York Sunday Sun contained a picture of Francis M. Hatch, the Hawaiian minister of foreign affairs, and also one of Mrs. Hatch. The latter is the daughter of Col. Alex. G. Hawes of San Francisco and was here at the Academy for some time.

Dr. and Mrs. Geo F. Cheney and Miss C. B. Whitford, of Boston, were in Boston at the Thorndike last week. The two latter were on their way to New Orleans. Miss Margaret Gorham leaves for Boston, Monday, where she will spend the winter taking organ lessons. Miss Gorham has played the North church organ very acceptably during the illness of the regular organist, Mrs J. W. Sault. As Mrs. William J. Brown was returning home from work at the CALEDONIAN office last week she fell on the icy sidewalk and received an injury to her spine which will keep her at home for several weeks. Mr. and Mrs. John W. Balch have issued invitations for the wedding reception following the marriage of their daughter, Eva Sophia Burke to Orville Bradstreet Johnson, Thursday evening, January 31st, at their home on Main St. The ceremony will be witnessed by the relatives and intimate friends. Mr. J. W. Gorham of Caledonia street, having heard of the destitution and suffering of the poor people of Nebraska, last week collected and sent on from this neighborhood, three full barrels of good, second-hand clothing. It was forwarded at Mr. Gorham's expense to Rev. Dr. Huntington of Lincoln, who is distributing agent for these charities.

Y. M. C. A. NOTES. Next Sunday afternoon Rev. A. I. Davis will give the last of the series of talks which have been given by the pastors of the churches during this month. As in all the previous services there will be good singing and a warm welcome for those who attend. The basket ball game next Saturday evening is arousing a great deal of interest and as the two teams are quite evenly matched the outcome is awaited with interest. It is probable that this game will decide who will play in the team which is to represent the Association, and this in itself will spur everyone on to do his best. At the board of directors meeting held on Monday evening it was voted hereafter all those who contribute annually three dollars or more toward the support of the association shall have the privileges of the gymnasium without extra charge and that no one shall hereafter become a member of the gymnasium classes, who is not first a member of the association. The contest still holds the attention of the athletes in the gymnasium. Four events have now been contested and the score is as follows: Arnold 382, Stiles 378, Abbott 378, Tinker 353, C. Hubbard 303 1/2, Jones 331, Smith 311, Wood 344, R. Hubbard 334, Fairbanks 334, McCormick 400, Turner 334 1/2, Fisher 327, Bonett 318, Straub 335, Wheeler 330, McCutcheon 298, Clayton 346 1/2, Brown 326 1/2. There will be a meeting on Saturday evening at seven o'clock of all boys in the town who are interested in re-organizing the Junior Department. Secretary Smith spoke at the young men's meeting at Newport, Sunday afternoon. His subject was "Grace and Grit" or "The Forces That Win."

A BACHELOR PARTY. In the January 17 issue of the Lowell News appeared this paragraph which will interest Mr. Steele's many friends here: E. D. Steele, the well-known Prescott street clothing dealer, entertained a dozen of his bachelor friends last evening at his elegant new residence on Barton avenue, leading from Stevens street. The evening was passed in whist and other quiet games, and an elegant collation was served to which the masculine appetites did ample justice. It is understood that the host was improving about the last opportunity to entertain his friends as a bachelor, as he is soon to take a marital partner to share his elegant domicile with him.

NOT CALLED. In reply to an article that appeared in a recent issue of the CALEDONIAN, the following letter has been received: To the Editor of the CALEDONIAN: I notice in your issue of January 11, an article stating that I have been offered the position of state secretary of the Young Men's Christian Association of Vermont. This is a mistake, I have not received a call to Vermont and do not expect one. I am grateful for the courteous and complimentary reference, but am sorry that anything misleading should be made public. Sincerely yours, E. N. FOLSOM.

Waterbury, Conn., Jan. 18, 1895.

DEATH OF REV. DR. GRAVES.

News was received here Saturday of the death of Rev. Dr. Samuel Graves, at his home in Grand Rapids, Mich., on Thursday, Jan. 17. Dr. Graves was born in Acworth, N. H., and was 75 years old. When about five years old he came to St. Johnsbury and in his boyhood days was employed at the scale works. He never lost his love for this town and his visits here were a great delight not only to himself, but to his old friends. Our readers will recall that in a letter which he wrote for the last CALEDONIAN he said that it seemed to haunt him that his visit here last fall would be the last. This indeed proved true and in the death of Dr. Graves the town has lost one of its most devoted admirers. Dr. Graves left here in boyhood to enter Colgate university, where he was graduated. He then commenced a continuous professional service of 50 years which was completed last summer. For four years he was tutor at Colgate university. He was then ordained as pastor of the Baptist church at Ann Arbor, where he stayed three years. For the next nine years he was professor of Greek at Kalamazoo college. Then he was for 10 years pastor of the Central Baptist church at Norwich, Conn., and for 15 years pastor at Grand Rapids. For the past nine years he was president of the Baptist seminary at Atlanta, Ga., and built up this southern seminary in many ways. The Baptist Seminary at Atlanta is his memorial and the news of his death will bring sadness to many hearts there. He was a frequent contributor to the columns of the CALEDONIAN and his letters were always extremely interesting. Dr. Graves has done considerable literary work and two years ago he published a book entitled "Outlines of Theology." If his life had been spared it was his intention to thoroughly revise this work and publish a second edition.

RECENT DEATHS. Mr. and Mrs. Luman A. Ladd have been greatly afflicted in the death of their little 14 months old daughter, Ellen Clara, which occurred early Monday morning. It was taken Friday night with what seemed only a slight cold, and on Sunday morning it sat at the table with the family. There was no apprehension of danger until about the hour it expired. It was a bright and healthy child, and was dearly loved by all the family. God only gave them their darling for a day, and then the precious one He takes again to himself. May that loving hope such as Christ gives console the hearts of the bereaved household. F. V. P.

On Sunday last H. Forest Cowles, son of Jefferson Cowles of Pearl street, died after a brief illness of typhoid fever. The funeral services were held at the house Tuesday afternoon Rev. Thomas Tyrie officiating, assisted by Rev. Joseph Hamilton and Rev. H. M. Douglas. The deceased was 17 years of age, a student in the Academy, a member of the Methodist Sunday school, also of the Victor baseball team, upright and steadfast in duty and a general favorite among his associates. A beautiful wreath of flowers was given by the eight remaining members of the Victor team, who acted as bearers. The family have the sympathy of the entire community in their great bereavement.

AN APPRECIATED CONCERT. The concert by the Eureka Quartette in Music Hall last Friday evening was very poorly attended, but the audience showed their appreciation of the work of the singers by hearty applause and frequent encores. Mr. Conant was very well received and his solo work was much enjoyed. Mrs. Hubbard has a clear and sweet soprano voice and rendered two solos and sang a duet with Mr. Conant. She is the wife of the assistant editor of the Brattleboro Phenix, and she made an excellent appearance on the stage. It was a real pleasure to hear her and we wish more of the music-loving people could have been present. The young men who brought the singers here have the satisfaction of knowing that they gave our people a fine concert even if they did not make money out of their venture.

PATRIOTIC ADDRESS. A patriotic address by E. H. Dunbar of Boston, supreme sergeant at arms of the supreme council, will be given at Music Hall, Saturday evening Feb. 12, under the auspices of the A. P. A. It will be interesting to note that Mr. Dunbar led the 1200 A. P. A. fellow men who went from Boston last fall to attend a meeting at Concord, Mass., and were attacked by a mob while returning to the station after the meeting.

ST. JOHNSBURY CENTRE.

The ladies of the Universalist church will serve dinners and suppers during the Farmer's Institute held at St. Johnsbury Center, this week Thursday and Friday.

The Ladies Aid Society will give a musical and literary entertainment in the Congregational vestry next week Friday.

E. G. Learned and wife have returned to this place, and will remain at James Learned's for the present.

J. E. Phillips sold his farm and all the property advertised to be sold at auction, to E. M. Joyce at private sale, and gives possession this week.

Mrs. B. F. Gognon has been very ill for a few days but is improving.

Mrs. C. L. Bennett is sick with bilious fever.

The Christian Endeavor society elected new officers last Sunday, and voted to resume their weekly meetings, which were suspended last August.

Mrs. T. H. Wright and daughter of Newport, Vt., visited friends in this place this week.

THE RAILROAD BALL.

Elaborate preparations are being made by the railroad boys for their annual ball at the Stanley Opera House next Tuesday evening. Geo. E. Beals of Boston will decorate the hall in an elaborate style and it will be well worth attending just to see the decorations. Music for the ball will be furnished by the Fadette Woman's Orchestra of Boston. These are the artists in the company: Caroline B. Nichols, First Violin and Director; Mary Tracy, First Violin; Ethel Atwood, Second Violin and Prompter; Susie A. Wells, Viola; Josephine Hale, Violinello; Bertha F. Turner, Contra Bass; Alice E. Ball, Flute and Piccolo; Viola M. Dunn, Clarinet; C. Izolee Todd, Cornet; Elizabeth Page, Cornet; Ardelle Cunningham, French Horn; Eva Canning, French Horn; Belle B. Yeaton, Trombone; Nellie Miles, Drums and Traps; Lillie Viles Wyman, Piano.

The orchestra will give a fine concert before the dancing commences. Supper will be served for the dancers at the St. Johnsbury House by Landlord Chase, and it is needless to remark that a fine banquet will be provided. The floor tickets cost \$3.00 and gallery tickets cost 50 and 75 cents. These are now on sale at Bingham's drug store.

NAVY LECTURE.

Mr. Williams is a thorough believer in the need of a strong American navy, and in an interview in the Worcester Post on the success of the Japanese in their war says: "And when the gigantic East shall have aroused itself to resist and revenge the slights and insults of our petty scorn, there will be need of something stronger than Geary laws and tariff bills for our protection. As never before we are confronted with conditions, and these conditions are the strategic key between two island empires, one strong with the bravery of recent victory, the other mighty with the courage of well-earned universal dominion. The first broadside from the royal navy would send our white squadrons to the skies or with Banquo's ghost, and the onset from Asia will roll our march to the West back to the Cordilleras. In the impending crisis the individual and his government that has a well grounded reliance upon heavy artillery will have the best chance for providential favors."

ACADEMY NOTES.

A new athletic association has been arranged which will control all athletics in the Academy. Any student may join by paying a membership fee of \$1.00 and the dues of \$1.00 a year during his or her connection with the institution. The officers elected are: President, Chas. Bagley; first vice-president and manager of the base ball club, Burton Jones; secretary, John Cameron; treasurer, James Richardson. Wellington Tinker was elected captain of the base ball team for next season. The Adelphians gave a banquet in honor of the Athenians at Academy hall, Friday evening. The programme consisted of music and a rendition of a short play. The senior class interview will occur on Friday evening, Feb. 1. Monday morning Prof. Brackett spoke to the teachers and students at Academy hall on natural sciences as applied to the Bible by modern men.

COURT DECISIONS.

At the general term of the supreme court which was held at Montpelier last week these Caledonia cases were disposed of:

B. F. Drew vs. Daniel M. Smith; judgment for plaintiff for \$5.93 damages and costs affirmed.

Julia L. Hutchins vs. Joseph L. Watchie; judgment for one cent damages was affirmed.

BASKET BALL.

Those who were interested in the basket ball games played last winter will be pleased to learn that the town and school boys are to have one more battle for the supremacy. A word about the game which has become so popular in the past few years will be interesting to those who enjoy good honest sport. Basket ball was invented in 1889 by James Naismith, teacher in the international training school, Springfield. During its first season it was not particularly popular but has gained in favor and may now be called quite as important sport in the Y. M. C. A. world as football and baseball, but it is essentially an indoor game and the interest that is excited in an exercise confined to the gymnasium can perhaps never equal the zest which is thrown into a game like football, played under the blue of heaven, in the fresh outdoor atmosphere and sun's rays that seem to penetrate the muscles of the athlete and impart added vivacity. However, at the season when football bruises have long ago healed and conquests on the gridiron are matters for rumination, he who sighs for the pigskin can find much satisfaction in basket ball, it possessing all the elements of football but, if rules are enforced, lacking the excessive roughness. The ball used is perfectly round, made of a rubber bladder, covered with leather and is about a foot in diameter. Briefly outlined the game according to official rules for 1895, is played as follows: Baskets especially constructed for the purpose, are placed in a vertical position with the mouth ten feet from the ground, one at each end of the field (gymnasium), occupying much the same position in relation to the players as do football goals. The competitive teams take positions on the field as in football, save that there is no line-up. The teams are composed of five men when the playing space is less than 1800 square feet, seven when it is more than 1800 and less than 3600 and nine men when over 3600. The referee, with a player from each side, takes position in the center. He puts the ball in play by throwing it up. Which side has first ball depends on which center man secures it. The ball is not kicked or struck with the fists but thrown or batted with the flat of the hand and the object is, to get it into the basket, doing which scores a goal. On the number of goals scored depends the victory. The net work of rules which govern the action of the game is quite as elaborate as football and will not be given here. Suffice it to say that spectators easily comprehend its action. The putting of a ball into the basket may seem a very easy thing to do but as a matter of fact it is very difficult to accomplish with the floor empty and, of course, much more so when two teams are at strife. One of the rules says that the ball shall always be kept in motion. Two twenty-minute halves are played with a rest of ten minutes between the halves. This is the time of actual play. Each side has its captain while position is the same as in baseball. The referee is judge of the ball. He is the superior officer of the game and decides all questions not definitely falling on the umpire. The umpire is judge of the men, calls all fouls, notifies the offenders and has power to disqualify men. The game which was to be played on Thursday evening of this week has been postponed until Saturday evening. The two teams have been practicing faithfully and will be able to play a very interesting game. It is hoped that the public will turn out and encourage the gymnasts, as all the proceeds over and above the expenses are to go towards much needed new apparatus for the gymnasium.

Among the fraternities. Moose River encampment, I. O. O. F., has accepted an invitation from the encampment at Littleton, and will work a degree on candidates before the encampment at that place this evening. The convocation of the fourth Masonic district will be held here next Thursday commencing at 3 o'clock in the afternoon. Harley P. Seaver of Barton, D. D., G. H. P., will have charge of the meeting and the work of the several Capitular degrees will be exemplified. A banquet will be entertained given by Chamberlin Relief Corps last week Thursday evening for the benefit of the Lyndonville Relief Corps was quite well attended and a nice literary and musical programme was carried out. Thomas Shufelt and W. B. Atwood sang solos, George Felch gave a piccolo solo and readings were given by Miss Blanchard and Miss Balch. Miss Gorham presided at the piano and a promenade closed the evening's entertainment.

Masquerade. About 150 people attended the masquerade at Pythian Hall last Friday evening. The costumes were appropriate to the occasion some being very good. Good music was furnished by the St. Johnsbury orchestra. Coffee and cake were served and a good time was enjoyed by all. The entertainment was given by the Mite society of the Church of the Messiah, and was a success socially and financially, as about thirty dollars was taken at the door.