

AMONG THE CHURCHES

Congregational Church
REV. ROBERT LAWTON, Pastor
Sunday Services
10:45 a.m. Sermon by the Pastor.
12 m. Sunday School.
7:00 p.m. Sermon by the Pastor.
Week-day Services
Tuesday 4:00 p.m. Junior C. E.
Tuesday 7:15 p.m. Y. P. S. C. E.
Thursday 7:30 p.m. Prayermeeting.

Methodist Church
REV. O. E. BARNARD, Pastor.
Preaching service 11 a.m.
Sunday School 12:15 p.m.
Junior League, 3 p.m., Saturday.
Epworth League service 6 p.m.
Prayer Service, 7 p.m.
Prayer Service, Thursday evening, 7:30.

Christ Church
REV. H. CHADWICK BURT, Rector
Morning service at 11 o'clock.
Sunday school at 12 o'clock.

Honest and Clean

If a wholesome, honest, cleanly play that alternates pathos and laughter with gatling-gun rapidity is what theatre goers want, they will go and see "The Cowboy and the Girl" at Opera House, Saturday, April 24th. Miss Trixie Nelson Stanley plays the leading role, and it is said to be entirely different from any other play and advantageously so. It gives an honest story of wholesome people brightly told with great human interest. These are some of the qualities that are pleasing to the immense audiences everywhere. Each of the four acts is lavishly mounted with special scenery. The company is a large and competent one. A superb Concert Band and Orchestra is also carried with this attraction.

LOCAL NEWS

United States Veterinarian, E. J. Spindler of Newport, was a business visitor here this week.

Miss Katherine Murphy, who has been in Pasadena, Cal., is visiting her parents here.

To-morrow night in Opera Hall,—"The Cowboy and the Girl." One of the western plays you will like. Get your reserved seats early, as the choice ones are rapidly going.

A new modern steel booth has been installed at the Opera House the past week; this is to conform with law; in case of fire, caused by the moving picture machine, the blaze could easily be confined to the booth as it is made wholly of steel and asbestos.

Idle Hour Theatre

10-Big Reels-10

To-Night and Tomorrow

Including
Evelyn Nesbitt Thaw
and son
Russell
in a 5 reel drama
"Threads of Destiny"

2 SHOWS
1st at 6 45 2nd at 9 15

Admission 10c and 20c

Monday Night
Beloved Adventurer
Tuesday night
Runaway June
Thursday night
Million Dollar Mystery

COURT WILL OPEN AT GUILDHALL NEXT TUESDAY

The Spring Term of Essex County Court will convene at Guildhall next Tuesday, April 27th, Judge Miles presiding. The cases below are listed on the Jury Calendar for trial:
Joseph and Sarah Lapointe vs. Avide Sage and Thomas Lapointe.
E. F. Johnson vs. Richard Beattie.
Mary C. Bilodeau vs. Moose River Lumber Co.
Robert Ash vs. D. A. and Viola S. Fisher, Apts.
Anna Cass vs. Vermont Mutual Fire Insurance Co.
Raymond Fuller vs. Maxie Holbrook.
Flora Gladys Fuller vs. Maxie Holbrook.
Charles H. Page vs. Henry W. Demmick.
Dan M. Smith, Admr. vs. Ernest Suitor & Trustee.
Jean Louis Robert vs. Fitzgerald Land and Lumber Co.
Mary A. Riggie vs. Coos Telephone and Telegraph Co.
The jurors from Brighton are: Osman Smith, James Kidder, L. J. Payeur, L. F. Currier, John Worth.

Death of N. B. Lougee

N. B. Lougee, an esteemed resident of this village for over thirty years, died at his home on Derby street, Wednesday night. Death was caused by cancer, of which Mr. Lougee had been a sufferer for the past year. All that medical skill could do was done, but to no avail, and Mr. Lougee passed away a silent sufferer unto the end. Up to within a few weeks ago Mr. Lougee was about the streets and although knowing his case was hopeless, he never complained and kept the same cheery disposition that has characterized his life.

He leaves a host of friends and acquaintances to mourn his loss. The immediate relatives surviving are his wife, one daughter, Mrs. Harry Blake, of Lyndonville, and two brothers, Henry Lougee of this town and Moses B. of Portland, Me.

Funeral services were held from his late residence this (Friday) afternoon, Rev. Robert Lawton officiating. Interment was in the old cemetery.

I. C. R. to Strike

The Canadian Brotherhood of R. R. Employees have issued an ultimatum to the Canadian railway to the effect that its members will cease work in a body Friday (to-day) unless they meet and settle the alleged grievances set up by the Brotherhood officials.

The chief reasons for the trouble are: Failure of I. C. R. to carry out terms of 1913 agreement; refusal of management to make promotions according to seniority; refusal to grant agreement covering Halifax and St. John pier employees; refusal of management to permit railroad employees to absorb maintenance of way employees.

Base Ball Assured

Baseball is again assured for this season as field was secured last Saturday by F. E. Russell. Financial support will be had by subscription, the paper now in Mr. Russell's hands, being well filled with the leading citizens' signatures, opposite which they have designated various amounts which they will give.

The field above mentioned will be the same as that which has been used in past years and will immediately be put in good condition. The prospects are bright for a winning team for plenty of young talent are out this year and show that they will give the older players a hard rub for positions on the team.

Interesting items from your neighborhood are wanted. Send them in.

PERFECT INITIATION EXERCISES

Thursday evening, April 15, 1915, will be remembered by many as being one, if not the most pleasant event ever held by Court Island Pond, No. 423, I. O. F.
A Guard of Honor, consisting of twelve ladies, who had previously been drilled under the able instructions of Mrs. Martha Clark, S. D., of Berlin, N. H., did the honors of the meeting with the floor work, with candidates for initiation, which was pronounced by all present to be perfect, or as a visiting member remarked, one hundred per cent good. Nearly sixty local members were present, besides High Court Officers as follows: T. T. Corey, P. H. C. R., of Portland, Me., J. C. Bradbury, D. S. C. R., Miss Bessie Bradbury, H. Sec., Chas. E. Clark, H. O., Martha E. Clark, S. D., E. C. Lane, P. C. R., Court White Mt., Richard Eastman, Treasurer of Court Mainsborough, all from Berlin, N. H.

After listening to pleasing and efficient remarks by visiting guests, as well as local officers and members, the company repaired to the dining-hall, where a fine repast was served, which could not help but satisfy the most fastidious taste, the ladies of the Guard, in white, acting as waitresses. Both court and banquet hall were decorated for the occasion with greenery, mounted deer heads, potted plants and emblems of the order. At the close of the banquet a cut glass vase from the Court and a large bouquet of tied antirrhinums from the ladies of the Guard of Honor, were presented Mrs. Martha Clark, in appreciation of her bountiful and untiring work. Several members escorted the visiting gentlemen to the night train for Berlin, N. H., Mrs. Clark and Miss Bradbury returning Friday noon, the latter having visited Norton Mills, Friday morning in the interest of the orphan fund for the children of the late Brothers Boyne and Cantin, both of whom were members of the Court at Norton Mills. These children will soon receive this fund, and help to still further emulate one of the good principles for which the Independent Order of Foresters stands unrivalled.

A party consisting of Charles Roby, E. J. Parsons, Leon Rich of Averill, and Mr. Davis of Burlington, left here this week to appraise and survey the unorganized towns and gores of Essex County.

To-Night

Opera House

2nd Episode of

Exploits of Elaine

This feature will be shown each Friday and "The Master Key" each Tuesday.

Other Big Reels

EX-GOVERNOR WOODBURY LAID AT REST

Tribute was paid to the memory of Ex-Gov. U. A. Woodbury on Sunday afternoon by an assemblage that filled the First church, Burlington, at the impressive funeral service.

Prominent men from all parts of the state were present and the mourning throng represented people from all walks of life.

The flowers brought were very beautiful and there were many of them. Before the service at the church a short service was held at the home on Pearl street for the relatives. Rev. W. E. Baker of Morrisville read a passage from Scripture and also "Lead Kindly Light", the governor's favorite hymn, followed by prayer by Rev. C. C. Adams.

The body was taken to the church at 2:30 where it lay in state guarded by four sergeants of Company M. The casket was of solid mahogany and draped with the flag of the Loyal Legion. A large cross of Easter lilies, the offering of the children, and a wreath of galax leaves from the grandchildren, rested on the casket.

The honorary bearers were United States Senators W. P. Dillingham and C. S. Page, Congressman Frank L. Greene, Governor Charles W. Gates, ex-Governors S. E. Pingree and George H. Prouty, Mayor A. S. Drew, who was on the board of aldermen with Governor Woodbury, George P. Martin, State commander of the G. A. R., R. A. Cooke, treasurer of the Queen City Cotton company, of which Governor Woodbury was president, John J. Flynn, Col. E. J. Booth, Col. H. W. Allen, Dr. W. S. Vincent, the Hon. C. P. Smith, President Guy Potter Benton of the University of Vermont, Gen. Crosby P. Miller, State commander of the Vermont Commandery, Military Order of the Loyal Legion, Dr. J. M. Clarke and M. J. Barnes.

The body bearers were six members of the police force, Thomas Collins, James McGowan, Oliver Valyou, Levi Vincent, Bart O'Brien and Frank Colt.

Members of Stannard Post, G. A. R. and the Sons of Veterans formed on either side of the walk, leading to the church door and through which the mourning party passed, with its dead. The procession into the church was headed by the ministers and the honorary bearers. Afterward came Mrs. Woodbury, the widow, on the arm of her older son, Charles L. Woodbury, after whom came the family, including the governor's brother and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Woodbury, and the governor's sister, Mrs. J. D. Martin.

Messages of sympathy and condolence have been received by the family from ex-Governors E. C. Smith, E. J. Ormsbee, A. M. Fletcher, W. W. Stickney, J. A. Mead, Josiah Grout, J. W. Stewart and J. G. McCullough; Col. John J. Warden of Boston and Col. Myron M. Parker of Washington, D. C., both of whom were on Governor Woodbury's staff, and many others.

A message was received from Governor Woodbury's personal friend, John D. Rockefeller, which read as follows: "I learned with sorrow of the death of Governor Woodbury. Please be assured of my sympathy for you in this bereavement. He will be greatly missed by a multitude of friends who place the highest estimate of value upon his services in his State and the country."

Pond Free from Ice

Warm days and driving wind of the past week has entirely eliminated the ice from the pond. This is an unusually early date for the ice to disappear, and although we have no data at hand, we think this is the earliest that the pond has been free from ice in a long number of years.

HISTORICAL SKETCHES OF ESSEX CO.

Taken from the Vermont Gazetteer, Published in the Year 1862

Continued from last week

There is a little incident in connection with the early history of the Stevens family which may not be uninteresting in that connection. Mr. John Stevens, the second settler in town, had a little son called Edwin, aged 5 years, who went into the woods near the house, in the afternoon of May 2, 1825, in search of a flower called lady's slipper, accompanied by their faithful dog Painter. Not returning, the mother supposed he had gone to his father, who was at work about half a mile from the house, chopping. On the arrival of Mr. Stevens at night without the boy, they at once became alarmed and fired the alarm-gun to bring the neighbors, who lived on the opposite side of the pond, and with torches immediately commenced the search. Getting no tidings from him during the night, a messenger was dispatched to Morgan and Holland for assistance; and a large number of people searched until the fourth day before making any discovery, when the noble dog Painter came in nearly famished. They fed him, and he, with a few men, immediately took the back track, which was easily followed in consequence of a light snow which fell during the night, and traveled nearly five miles when the dog stopped near the roots of a large tree which had blown down, where they found the dead body of the child, with its little hands crossed over its eyes, and covered over with leaves and mosses by its faithful protector, who stayed with his little charge as long as he could without starving. For years afterwards let any of the family say to him, "Painter, where is Edwin?" and he would instantly drop on the floor and seemed to manifest as keen sorrow as a dumb beast could for the absence of the little one.

Mr. Stevens' family was again afflicted, in 1831, by the death of a little daughter two years old, who went to a spring near the house with her little cup for some drink, when she slipped and before discovered was drowned.

It is said there are many interesting incidents connected with the early history of the town, such as hair-breadth escapes, perilous adventures, great endurance, etc., among the early settlers; but the older inhabitants, who were the subjects and witnesses of them, had all died or removed from town before the writer became one of its citizens.

The Fosters, Blakes and Morses are among the principal hunters who have become familiar with the wilderness in all northern Vermont. The latter are usually engaged as guides to the stranger who wishes to spend a few days in hunting and fishing. Bears, deer and moose are often captured. The latter, which was formerly very plenty, has taken a dislike to the steam whistle and do not now approach very near to the abodes of civilization. In the year 1858 a large moose came upon the railroad, a few miles north of the village, and was discovered by the engineer, who was running a train of empty platform cars. He immediately let on steam and gave chase, the moose keeping the railroad track for about one mile, when the engine getting rather too near, the moose wheeled to double his track and succeeded in getting around the engine, but came so close as to come in contact of the second car, which struck him with such force as to instantly kill him and at the same time threw two empty cars from the track. It was a very large one, weighing between 600 and 700 pounds. Many of his leaps measured over 20 feet.

To be continued

STEWART HOUSE BLAZE GIVES PEOPLE SCARE

The town was given a bad scare Wednesday evening when the fire alarm sounded, and the fact became known that a serious blaze was in progress at the Stewart House.

The fire was discovered by night clerk Gilman shortly after eleven o'clock. The first evidence of the fire was, when he discovered volumes of smoke rolling up the stairway leading to the basement; he immediately grabbed a fire extinguisher and emptied the contents on the blaze. While running to the second floor for another extinguisher, the fire went beyond his control. In the meantime, an alarm had been sounded which brought the fire fighters to the scene; and, their appearance was none too soon, for it would have taken but a short time until a serious conflagration would have been raging, and the Hotel in all probability would have been gutted and possibly entirely razed. As it were, several of the permanent boarders had many of their belongings removed to the street; dense clouds of smoke rose to the floors and corridors above and at one time breathing was experienced with difficulty.

After the firemen found the heart of the blaze, it was quickly subdued, but assuming no risk, two firemen were stationed at the hostelry throughout the remainder of the night.

The damage has not as yet been estimated. The fire caught in the basement from some unknown cause.

Last Long Drive

The Connecticut river drive this year will have nearly fifty million logs and will be the last long timber drive in the upper Connecticut. The Black Branch, East Branch and the main Nulhegan will soon be clear and it is hoped that Paul Stream can also be cleared this year. About twenty millions were landed on this stream and some were nearly back to Granby Bogs.

Next year about 100,000 cords of four-foot pulp wood will take its place and the wood will be used by the International Paper Company at Wilder and Bellows Falls.

Stock And Barn Burn

A large barn on Fred E. Goddread's farm at Concord, together with 48 head of cattle, two colts, and a large quantity of straw, was burned last Thursday night with a loss of about \$4,000 partially insured. Eleven cows were saved by Mr. Goddread. His hands were badly burned. The fire spread to the house and another barn but a bucket brigade saved these buildings.

The cause of the fire is unknown, but a 15-year-old son of Mr. Goddread was in the building at the time and he has been sharply questioned.

Editor Brutally Assaulted

John Calvin Holland, editor of The Stanstead (Que.) Journal, published at Rock Island, Que., who was brutally assaulted in his office between 5 and 6 o'clock Friday afternoon, April 9, by Joe Healey, a bartender, is recovering from his wounds.

Mr. Holland attended the recent winter meeting of the Vermont Press Association and spoke at the banquet in the Pavilion hotel. He has been prominent in his efforts to make his part of Canada "dry." The attack on Mr. Holland has weakened the liquor party and arrayed against it many that were neutral.

\$5,000 Pipe Organ

At the meeting of the Middlebury College corporation it was voted to place a \$5,000 pipe organ in the new Mead Memorial chapel, the construction of which is being rapidly pushed.