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HOMER FITTS, Barre, Vt.

166 North Main Street.

Barre. A daughter was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. W. A. Drew. Manager Lapoint has booked Frohman's "Secret Service" for October 20. Misses Bell McLean and Edith Barnes visited in Burlington over Sunday. Mrs. Frank Smith went last Friday to Beebe Plains, N. C., to visit her husband. The case of State against Fred Jones for intoxication has been postponed for thirty days. Fred W. Jones of New York was the guest of Mrs. V. E. Ayers, his sister, last week. Mrs. John W. Gordon left last Thursday afternoon for Milwaukee, Wis., expecting to be absent several weeks. The water department has had a force of men at work during the past week extending the main on the Hooker hill. Fred Burland and Miss Madeline Ritor, both of Barre, were married at Plainfield, last week by Rev. L. F. Fortney. Frank Gladding, second sergeant, has been elected second lieutenant of Company E in place of L. N. Gauthier resigned. In the Congregational church last Sunday evening Dr. J. Henry Jackson spoke on "The Homes and Monuments of Egypt." Mr. and Mrs. James Ross and John Linnah of Hardwick visited in Barre last week during the small pox scare in Hardwick. A verdict was rendered last week in the case of T. J. Devitt, assignee, against B. W. Hocker and L. A. Kent, in favor of the defendants. Peter J. Jordan, a Barre granite cutter, has filed a voluntary petition in bankruptcy. His liabilities are said to be \$843, and his assets \$125. Mr. and Mrs. Allen H. Freeman of Clairmont, N. H., were guests last week of Mr. and Mrs. G. N. Kenyon, while on their wedding trip. J. D. Cooper, a boiler inspector, representing the Fidelity and Casualty Company of New York, was in Barre last week inspecting boilers. C. L. Converse, the Barre postman, was elected sergeant-at-arms of the State organization of letter carriers, instituted last Wednesday at Rutland. The case of Tabor against Slayton, which was filed in court before Judge Boyce last Friday morning, was continued until June 12 because of the illness of the judge. The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. Mary Sargent died last Wednesday morning of pneumonia. Funeral services were held Friday afternoon and burial was in Washington. Mrs. Gertrude Bugbee, who was divorced only four weeks ago from Walter Gay Bugbee, was married on Memorial day to Wallace Poor of Barre. Mr. and Mrs. Poor have gone west. Walter W. Ranger, principal of the Johnson Normal school, and a candidate for the office of State superintendent of education, was the guest of Prof. and Mrs. O. D. Mathewson last week. The infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alex Mathewson died last Friday evening at their home on Webster avenue. Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon at 4 o'clock and the burial was in Hope cemetery. One of the features at the trotting park on Memorial Day was the fourteen Shetland ponies owned by George Capron. Children were mounted on all these little animals and the display received much hearty applause from the spectators. The official figures from the assessor's books of the appraisal of 1900 show a real estate in the city of Barre of \$2,897,738; personal property of \$334,703; taxable polls, 2,815, making a total grand list of \$36,354,714, a gain over 1899 of \$853.60. Mrs. A. E. Atwater gave a reception to her Sunday-school class, composed of twenty young men, with their lady friends at the Methodist parsonage last Friday evening. A large number of musical and literary selections were rendered and refreshments were served. Several generous sums of money have already been pledged for the formation of a boys' club in Barre and it is confidently believed the \$1,500 needed will be contributed. The committee having the matter in charge are making a systematic canvass for funds, and subscription books will soon be opened. Lila, wife of Fred Sears, died last Wednesday at her home in South Barre after an illness of one week with measles. Deceased was twenty-six years old. Funeral services were held from her late home Friday afternoon and the burial was in Wilson cemetery. The Vincitla club gave a ladies night in their new quarters in Worthen block last Wednesday evening. B. W. Hooker, the president, and A. R. Abbott, with their wives, were the reception committee. Music was furnished by Wilder's orchestra. Mr. Wilder also played the solos which were very cordially received. The annual meeting of the Barre railroad was held last Thursday forenoon. W. A. Stowell, F. W. Stanton, A. D. Morse, E. L. Smith and John Thorne were elected directors. These directors met subsequently and elected A. D. Morse president; W. A. Stowell, vice-president and general manager and F. W. Stanton clerk and treasurer. Mrs. Laura Taft, widow of the late Daniel Taft, died Friday afternoon at her home in the town of Barre, aged eighty years. She had been ill for a long time with a cancer of the stomach. Mrs. Taft is survived by one son, Elmer D. Taft. Funeral services were held from her late home Sunday afternoon.

Waterbury

Rev. L. H. Elliot preached at Berlin last Sunday. Frank Griggs of Burlington spent Sunday at home. Van Henderson is soon to finish work as porter at the hospital. A son was born last week to Mr. and Mrs. R. S. Woodard. Miss Josie E. Griffin of Moretown is the guest of Mrs. F. Tracy. Dr. D. D. Grant spent a few days this week fishing at Shelburne pond. Dr. E. G. Hooker is steadily recovering from his recent severe illness. The graduating exercises of the High school will be held Friday evening. The Mothers' Club was entertained last Thursday by Mrs. Myrtle Huntley Palmer. Mrs. D. W. Cooley is in Lynn, Mass., with her husband. She will remain for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Sherwin Flint of Burlington were guests of P. A. Hill for a few days this week. Frank Elliott of Burlington spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Elliott. Farnsworth Tice is soon to take a position at the Summit house on Mount Washington for the summer. The sils for the new canning factory are now in position and work on the building will be rapidly pushed until completed. Mrs. C. F. Clough is to move to the Center, where she has purchased a home. Her residence in the village will be sold. If you are at all interested in tailor made suits it will be worth your while to read Homer Fitts' advertisement in this issue. Mr. and Mrs. D. E. Falgout of Fairbury, Massachusetts, were visitors in town this week, as was Hon. F. W. McGettrick of St. Albans. A carload of potatoes loaded here this week for the Boston market only brought twenty-five cents per bushel, delivered at the car. Miss Clara Parker, stenographer at the hospital, left Friday for a two weeks' vacation which she will spend at her home in Essex Junction. R. V. L. K. Willman delivered an excellent sermon Sunday morning before the graduating class of the High school. A large audience was present. The abandoned train found by Mr. O'Brien last Sunday has been examined by party in Richford. Sheriff Graves started north with the team Friday morning. Mrs. Abbott and Littlejohn, who for two weeks have been guests of Mrs. Hutchinson at the hospital, left Friday for Boston, before returning to their home in New York. The Consolidated Lighting Company has the poles for the street lights in position and will begin next week to hang the wire. It is now expected the lights will be in running order within three weeks. Fred Luce has moved to the Murray farm which he recently purchased and is to remain there during the summer. In the meantime extensive repairs are being made upon his residence in this village. The musical extravaganza under the auspices of the Ladies' Auxiliary of the Y. M. C. A. and Knights of Pythias at Blanchard's opera house, Montpelier, this Wednesday and Thursday evening, will be the event of the season. It is under the management of George H. Wilder and includes the best of talent. Over 150 persons take part. The first of the series of lectures to be given in the Vermonters' course was an interesting illustrated lecture on the subject of "Fish and Game" by Hon. J. W. Titcomb of St. Johnsbury, given at the opera house on the evening of Mrs. E. L. Smith's appreciative audience. The next in the series will be given next Thursday evening by Rev. O. J. Jenkins of Montpelier. Owing to other pressing engagements, Hon. D. J. Foster of Burlington will not be able to take part in the course. The community was shocked yesterday morning with the intelligence that J. Gillette, a Montpelier physician, had been had in poor health for some time, nothing serious was apprehended until about a week ago when he suffered a severe stroke which passed away. Although his friends were encouraged to hope that it might be permanent, but a second shock came Monday night and at three o'clock Tuesday morning he passed away. Dr. Moody was in his fifty-seventh year. Funeral arrangements will be announced later. The Philomathian club observed red letter day Friday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Ayers and Mrs. E. L. Smith. The next meeting of the club this season the annual election of officers for the ensuing year was held. The officers as elected are: President, Mrs. George Morse; vice-president, Mrs. C. D. Robinson; secretary, Mrs. William Clark; treasurer, Mrs. Helen Somerville; critic, Mrs. George Morse; journalist, Mrs. Alice Cooley. The members were served with light refreshments. The meetings of the club will be resumed in October. O. E. Scott has arranged the show window of his jewelry store in a novel and artistic manner. It has been done with the use of rocks and moss to represent a typical Vermont woodland scene. A waterfall flows over a rocky cliff into a brook which has a pebbled bottom and then along a basin in which several fish sport as natural as life. The arrangement by which the water supplies the fall is the invention of Mr. Scott and is as simple as it is unique. A double pump operated by what is probably the smallest motor ever constructed in the world—both the handwork of Mr. Scott—conveys the overflow of water to the basin to the top of the fall over and over indefinitely. The case of the motor is but little larger in diameter than a silver dollar and is made from the case of a Spanish cyclometer. The stream which supplies the power for operating this tiny motor is but 3/32 of an inch in diameter and besides doing the work named above, it supplies electric power for operating the latter used by Mr. Scott in his business of jeweler.

Soom.

Fred Weeks is very low. Maggie Hall is visiting in Topsham.

West Berlin.

The inside of the Methodist church is being newly painted. The Ladies' Aid will meet with Mrs. George Williams Thursday afternoon.

Middlesex.

Rev. Frank R. Gale of Stowe is to preach for the Unitarian society next Sunday at 2:15 P. M.

Moretown.

Mrs. A. M. Darling has returned to town. Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Spaulding of Burlington were in town over Sunday. Miss Olive Freeman is visiting her sister, Mrs. William Hathaway, near Montpelier. George W. McKinney has closed his barber shop and goes this week to Massachusetts.

Horn of the Moon.

George Folsom from Waitfield was at J. A. Fitts' last week. Mrs. Florence Thayer last Saturday visited Mrs. Alice Cooley, who has been ill at C. A. Cooley's in Montpelier, is now at home. About seventy-five people were present at the Morse school house Saturday evening. The music between the acts by Mrs. Fannie Sheldon, violinist, and Miss Nellie Farmer, accompanist, was much enjoyed.

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IT'S IMPOSSIBLE To Disprove Facts. It Is Decidedly Easy to Verify Montpelier Opinion.

Nothing by way of an introduction could be added to the experiences and opinions given before, which could increase their value. Montpelier people can safely be left to draw their own conclusions based on such convincing proof as this citizen offers. What is there lacking in evidence like this to satisfy a dyed-in-the-wool doubting Thomas? Mrs. C. F. Brockway of Sutton, Vt., says: "From reading an advertisement in a Montpelier paper I came to the conclusion if Doan's Kidney Pills cure kidney complaint and the distressing complications arising from inactivity or irritation of these organs, why won't they cure me? I made an inquiry the next day at the drugstore, and as he did not have them I wrote to Montpelier for them and received them from Lester H. Green, druggist. Doan's Kidney Pills were just what I needed. I was getting along famously when LaGrippe prostrated me. When the attack abated somewhat, severe kidney trouble set in, and I had to do something at once. My husband searched Sutton for Doan's Kidney Pills and drove to Lyndon for them, but was unsuccessful in procuring them there. What I endured before a second supply reached me is not to be described. I thought I was lost. I can only add to my opinion of Doan's Kidney Pills that I am confident had I known of them when I first found out that I had kidney trouble I would never have been as bad as I was. I found Doan's Kidney Pills of great benefit and if my experience will be the means of alleviating such sufferers you have my permission to publish it." Sold for 50 cents a box by all dealers. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y. Sole agents for the U. S. Remember the name Doan's and take no other.

Post Mills.

Charles Slack is at home from Bellows Falls. He has been for many weeks at the home of the jurymen for the June term of court.

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East Montpelier.

Mrs. J. R. Young is ill. Mrs. Morgan is recovering from her recent illness. Mrs. Davis of Barre has been here visiting relatives.

Winthrop Gove of Berlin was called to town by the illness and death of his brother. Mrs. J. R. Young, Mrs. Lucius Cummings and Mrs. Harrison Morgan are ill.

Miss Abbott of Worcester spent last week with Francis Hatch at F. Morse's.

Mrs. Andrew Tracy has been visiting relatives in Northfield during the past week. Miss Ida Hall of Middlesex accompanied Miss Jennie M. Bliss to her home last Friday.

The entertainment at the Morse school house last Saturday evening was well attended.

Henry Patnosed, a professional nurse from Mary Fletcher hospital, Burlington, returned to his home in Essex last Friday, after caring for Elisha Gove during his last illness.

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A reception was given to Rev. and Mrs. O. E. Aiken on Tuesday evening, May 29, in the church. Quite a large number assembled to greet them and to extend the right hand of fellowship. Mr. and Mrs. Aiken have the well wishes of all who wish them success in their new field of labor. The playing of Mr. Aiken at the organ was especially good and much enjoyed.

At the banquet given Memorial day about 200 guests assembled and much enjoyed the ceremonies. Rev. D. L. Hilliard acted as toastmaster. To the toasting, "Cahoon's Toast" Hon. J. M. Fisher responded in a paper giving a historical sketch of them in his usual pleasant manner. Mr. Fisher is quite an especially pleasant manner, becoming acquainted with the history of the town and its people. The sketch line and plectet duty," found a good description with many interesting illustrated anecdotes by Rev. B. H. Hodgett. This subject was handled in a very pleasing manner, becoming quite eloquent as he warmed up in his subject. Rev. O. E. Aiken briefly spoke of his love for his adopted country and the charity which she possesses. Mr. Aiken showed himself master of the art of good speaking, showing both talent and refinement. We are glad to have such a man in our midst who will do good.

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We ordered these curtains last summer. We are advised of further advances in the near future.

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120 pairs of Scotch Lace Curtains, worth 50c, 30c pair

88 pairs worth 75c pair, 55c pair

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90 pairs of very fine Scotch Lace Curtains, four choice patterns to choose from, \$1.29 Pair

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Washington. Lena Barup is at I. L. Calief's for the summer.

Mrs. L. R. Denton is ill at Barre with diphtheria.

L. D. Tillotson was at Chelsea last Monday on business.

C. H. McAllister is at work at the Guit House at Williamstown.

Mrs. C. W. Clough visited Miss Alma Clough at Duxbury recently.

Carl Carpenter has so far recovered from his recent illness as to be able to ride out.

Several from this village attended the opening of June term of Orange county court.

The Ladies' Aid Society meets with Mrs. A. L. Easterson Wednesday afternoon and evening.

Mrs. F. A. Warner and Bessie Jeffords were at Hall's pond in Newbury for a short stay recently.

Mrs. Wallace Dodge of Barre and Mrs. L. I. Gibeau of East Barre visited in town recently.

The Young People's Christian Union realized about \$4 from their ice cream social last Friday evening.

L. C. Bowles has gone to the White Mountains where he has employment in one of the summer hotels.

W. C. Yearlar and father were called to Barre last Friday by the death of Gordon Sargent, the little son of Harry Sargent.

Children's Day will be observed at the Congregational church next Sunday by appropriate exercises at twelve o'clock, direct ly after morning services.

Several from this place attended the quarterly meeting of the Baptist Association which was held at Tunbridge last week. Owing to the absence of the pastor there was no service last Sunday at the Baptist church.

At the town meeting last Saturday the town voted in the affirmative on the following articles: To allow dancing in school house hall; to appropriate \$25 each year to pay running expense of town library; to purchase a new horse; to accept the bequest of the late Mrs. H. A. C. White and the late John A. Tracy. Rev. A. M. Smith was elected library trustee to fill the vacancy caused by the death of S. E. Carpenter.

Thomas Billings, who was born in February, 1800, and has therefore lived a full century, was at George M. Seaver's over Sunday. He still enjoys good health, stands erect and his step has the elasticity of youth. No person living can give the early history of this country more fully or interestingly. He is also well versed in modern events, both social and political. In fact he is a cyclopaedia of useful knowledge in the form of a traveling centurion.

Washington has many fine horses and colts. Without doubt the finest specimen of its age in town, if not in the State, is the bay filly 4077 owned by Harry Smith. Her age is twelve months, height 14.1, weight 750 pounds. The animal is thoroughly trained to drive in harness, and for beauty and action has no rival in New England. The sire of this colt is Cobden S, whose home is also in Washington and will be remembered as a prize winner at the World's Fair at Chicago.

East Calais.

Fred Thomas has been critically ill with pneumonia the past week.

Dr. H. G. Williams of Cabot, has rooms at Mrs. Nettie Gray's for this week.

C. E. Bliss, who has been in Toledo, O., since last fall, is expected home last of this week to visit his parents.

D. W. Dunlop of Los Angeles, Cal., has been spending several days visiting the families of A. Dwinell, W. V. Peckard and W. L. Pierce.

Miss Margaret MacLeod arrived at Dr. Gale Monday, from Lakewood, N. J., where she spent the winter and will spend several weeks here.

Next Sunday will be observed as Children's Day with a concert at 1 P. M. The musical part of the program is unusually bright and attractive. It is hoped all the children round about will be able to attend this service and bring their parents with them.

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West Topham.

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George Wood and wife of Barre visited relatives in town a few days recently.

Mrs. Bowen and daughter Verne of Barre are here at their home for the summer.

Miss Winona Sanborn was at home from her school in the east part of the town over Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. O. L. Watson of Montpelier were here a part of last week, stopping with Mrs. S. C. Palmer at East Calais. Mr. Pierce wishes to thank the neighbors and friends who so kindly assisted him in this hour of need.

Roy Smith and lady friend of Warren, N. H., were the guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. T. Smith over Sunday.

Rev. Mr. Boyd was in Tunbridge over Sunday attending a meeting of the Free Baptist Association, and there was no preaching here.

John and Henry Prescott of Manchester, N. H., were in town several days last week here at their home for the summer.

John Hastings is having extensive repairs made on his house at the Center.

Hiram Sanborn, an old resident, was buried May 29 at the West Corinth cemetery. He has been in feeble health for a long time.

There were no services at the Meadow or West Corinth churches on Sunday on account of the quarterly meeting at Tunbridge.

The marriage of Mrs. Ethel Dickinson and Ben Eastman took place at the residence of the bride's parents May 30. The father of the bride, Rev. I. Sargent performing the ceremony.