WITNESS DRUNK.

Liquor Smuggled Into Windham County Jail to Prisoner.

MAKING AN INVESTIGATION.

Judge Stafford and Court Officials Determined to Know Who Has Defied All Authority—Offence Unparalleled in Vermont History—No Hazing at Norwich.

Brattleboro, Oct. 15.—A disclosure that liquor had been smuggled into the Windham county jail at Newfane and an important witness in the cases recently brought against the local sellers had become too drunk to appear in court has greatly disturbed the authorities. The matter is being investigated. The culprit intoxicated was Henry Eddy, who was in jail on a sentence for larceny, but is the principal witness in a case involving perjury, the charge against certain dealers one of whom has already been convicted.

For several months the authorities have been doing their best to put a stop to the illegal sale of liquor in this county and in several instances heavy fines have been imposed. Among the arrests made was "Squash" Canedy of this place, charged with having sold liquor to Eddy, the man accused of larceny. Among the witnesses who appeared in favor of Canedy when the case was tried were Eddy, Grayson and Peter Orcutt, as a result of the evidence which the county authorities obtained both of them were charged with perjury. It was at this point that Eddy's presence in court was desired as he was the chief witness against Orcutt as he had been against Canedy.

When the sheriff went into the main corridor of the county jail in which the prisoners moved with slight freedom from the cells he found Eddy helpless drunk. The fact was reported to the court and it was necessary to postpone the trial.

W. P. Stafford, the presiding judge and the County Court officials expressed great concern and displeasure at the situation. An investigation was begun to determine who furnished Eddy the liquor, the manner in which it was possible for it to be smuggled into jail. The occurrence is said to be without a parallel in the history of the Vermont prohibitory law.

VERMONT HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Holds 53d Annual Meeting in Montpelier—Adjourned to Nov. 5.

Montpelier, Oct. 15.—The fifty-third annual meeting of the Vermont Historical society was held in the Supreme Court room at the State house this afternoon, Hon. Charles Dewey presiding in the absence of the president.

The following associate members were elected: Clarence E. Moulton and Edward M. Goddard of Montpelier, Col. E. E. Smalley, Hon. Robert Roberts, Dr. D. C. Hawley, and Hon. Samuel Hazelton of Burlington, D. S. Kellogg, M. D., of Plattsburgh, N. Y., was elected corresponding member and Hon. J. W. Simpson of New York an honorary member.

Col. G. G. Benedict of Burlington was re-elected president of the society and the election of the rest of the officers was postponed to an adjourned meeting to be held November 5th.

A memorial notice regarding the late Charles Manley Wilds of Middlebury who died February 15th last, was read and voted to be spread upon the records of the society.

According to the reports of the secretary and treasurer the society seems to be in a flourishing condition. The amount of money in the treasury now is $2,[illegible].

BLEW HIS HEAD OFF.

Young Man in Barre Takes His Life in a Horrible Manner.

Barre, Oct. 15.—John H. George, aged 24, committed suicide in a most horrible manner at his home on Merchant street at 10:30 this forenoon. He had been ill and had for several days but said he was feeling better to-day and went from his room on the second floor to one down stairs the better to accommodate his mother, who was caring for him.

After the doctor's morning visit he asked his mother to get him some catnip tea and she left the house to gather some catnip growing on the grounds. As soon as she was gone the young man went up stairs to his own room, took a 30-30 calibre Winchester rifle from a case and loaded it and got into his own bed, where he had the rifle beside him with the muzzle to his forehead. He pulled the trigger and top of his head was literally blown off and the blood and brains were scattered over the bed, walls and headboard.

The mother heard the shot and hurrying back to the house was confronted by the sight so gruesome and horrible that she has since been completely prostrated. Two doctors were called but death had been instantaneous. The rifle was one of high range carrying a soft nose bullet.

The cause was undoubtedly insanity. Young George was of a melancholy retiring disposition and of late had acted queerly, claiming at the time that none of his friends would speak to him. His character was of the best and he had considerable ability. He was at Dartmouth college four years and a member of this year's class but as he had to work his way he fell behind and did not graduate, much to his own disappointment. He leaves a mother, Mrs. A. A. Northrop, with whom he lived and two sisters, Mrs. Joseph L. Ardley of Orange and Miss Jessie George of this city. He was born in Cabot where his father died some years ago.

VERMONT OSTEOPATHS MEET.

Association Elects Officers—Their Craft Making Good Progress.

Montpelier, Oct. 15.—The second annual meeting of the Vermont State Osteopathic association was held this evening and will be continued through to-morrow in the office of Dr. Lewis D. Martin at Barre. The visitors on their arrival at Barre were given a dinner by Dr. Martin at his residence. Dr. W. W. Brock of Montpelier, president of the society, called the evening session to order at 8 o'clock. The reports of the officers and committees were listened to and showed that the science of osteopathy was making good progress throughout the state.

The following officers were then elected for the year coming.

President, W. W. Brock, Montpelier; vice-president, Guy E. Loudon, Burlington; secretary-treasurer, Mrs. S. D. Pemberton, St. Johnsbury; executive committee, Dr. Charles D. Webster, Brattleboro, Dr. Louis D. Martin, Barre, Dr. Samuel M. Knauss, Montpelier.

Two new members were admitted: Mrs. S. D. Pemberton, a graduate of the American School of Osteopathy, Kirksville, Mo.; and Dr. Samuel M. Knauss, a graduate of the Atlantic school at Wilkesbarre, Pa.

Following the business part of the session Dr. Guy E. Loudon of Burlington presented a paper on "Neuralgia" and Dr. Charles G. Wheeler of Brattleboro gave an interesting reading on "Vasso-Motor Nerves and their centres."

HAZING ABOLISHED.

Important Action of The Cadets at Norwich University.

Northfield, Oct. 16.—In common with the students of other institutions, the Norwich Cadets have in times past manifested in the practice of hazing the Freshmen, more or less severely, and this, in spite of the fact that the regulations are very strict against it, as will be seen from the following extracts: "No cadet shall insult or threaten, traduce or defame, nor by personal or provoking language or gesture, or strike or offer violence to a fellow cadet, upon pain of being dismissed or otherwise less severely punished. Any cadet who shall wantonly abuse the person or property of another cadet, by playing tricks upon him or injuring or destroying his property, shall be dismissed or otherwise less severely punished." But in colleges as in society laws of this sort when unsupported by the public opinion of the students, are difficult of enforcement, and the authorities have been unable to obtain official knowledge of the violations of these regulations, though endeavoring to do so.

Recently a great change has come over the students in this regard and in their room-to-room meetings they have voluntarily pledged themselves to carry out the regulations above referred to. These pledges having been sent to President Brown, he has issued an order congratulating the faculty and the cadets, that the word "hazing" is abolished from the vocabulary of Norwich university. This action of the cadets will undoubtedly be welcomed by the many friends of the University throughout the state.

SUICIDE IN ST. JOHNSBURY.

St. Johnsbury, Oct. 15.—Mrs. Edward W. Potter, wife of a well known horse trainer, of this place, is believed to have drowned herself in the Passumpsic river at midnight last night. She threatened suicide and was followed to the river by a neighbor who could not pursuade her to return and went for help. When he returned she had disappeared. The body has not been recovered. She was a very erratic woman and has attempted suicide in this way several times.

WASHINGTON COUNTY COURT.

Montpelier, Oct. 15.—In County Court today Homer St. Cyr pleaded guilty to disturbing a religious meeting and was fined $[illegible] and costs.

Robert Colwell pleaded guilty to a similar offence and received a fine of the same amount.

Joseph Canton of Barre pleaded not guilty to a charge of keeping a nuisance. The case will come up as soon as the cases of Atkins and Tasbro are disposed of. Tasbro, who could not be found yesterday when his case came up and whose bail was forfeited has not been found yet. The case of State vs. George Atkins for selling, keeping and nuisance has been on trial today. The State rested its case at 5:30 p. m. after having examined Mr. Lyford, Mr. Hanks, Mr. Thayer and Mr. Denton, all of whom testified to getting liquor of the respondent. The respondent then took the stand in his own behalf.

PREACHERS' INSTITUTE.

Sessions of Burlington District Being Held in Rutland—New Officers.

Rutland, Oct. 15.—Thirty-four members of the Preachers' Institute of the Burlington district attended the annual meeting at the Methodist church in this city today. Many of the ministers were accompanied by their wives and on the whole the meeting was one of the most successful held in some years.

The programme of papers on various subjects given at the first session this afternoon included an interesting article on "Culture and Piety" by Rev. Dr. J. E. Mead of Burlington. A pleasant sociable and tea was held at the home of the presiding elder, Rev. Dr. G. W. Brown on Lincoln avenue at 7 o'clock this evening.

The evening programme included an excellent sermon by Rev. W. H. Washburne of Bennington.

The officers elected were: President, Rev. Dr. G. W. Brown, Rutland; Vice-president, Rev. W. H. Washburne, Bennington; secretary and treasurer, Rev. L. D. Cook, Cambridge, N. Y.

The convention will close to-morrow and will be followed by the convening of the Epworth League of the Burlington district which will continue in session till Thursday noon. About 125 delegates are expected at this meeting.

DEATH AT SOLDIERS' HOME.

Bennington, Oct. 15.—Jeffrey J. Loscelate private of Company H, 20th New York Volunteers died at Vermont Soldiers' Home, here yesterday. Deceased was admitted to Home July 26, 1901. Burial will be at Brattleboro. This is death No. [illegible]

THREE DAYS MORE OF WORK.

Deputies Favor Competitive Examinations For Scholarships.

San Francisco, Cal., Oct. 15.—Only three days remain for the transaction of business of the tri-ennial convention of the Episcopal church of America. A number of important questions remain to be disposed of but it is thought that by limiting the time of the speakers much can be accomplished before adjournment.

The house of bishops assembled as usual behind closed doors.

The following were chosen as members from the house of deputies on the committee on prohibited degrees:

Rev. Charles S. Olmstead, Pennsylvania, Rev. William C. Dewitt of Chicago, W. Reisk Balyard Cutting of New York, Edward L. Temple of Vermont, R. L. Wagstaffe of Tennessee.

Rev. Dr. Carey of Albany of the committee on the general theological seminary reported a very satisfactory financial condition of the institution.

Resolutions were adopted, recommending that all appointments to scholarships be based on competitive examinations; also that fellows of the seminary be encouraged to pursue their studies abroad; also that provision be made for courses of instruction in missionary work.

The committee on the state of the church presented its report which included the following statements:

The number of confirmations during the three years was 421,345 which was however 3.8% fewer than in the preceding period; the number of baptisms also was 1.8% less. The number of the clergy increased by six while the communicants increased nine per cent. The number of parishes and missions increased by 192 which was pronounced satisfactory.

There had been a total revenue from all sources of $65,000,715 an increase of about $3,000,000. The contributions for foreign missions had increased $29,000 and for domestic missions $7,000. The funds for the relief of disabled clergy and the widows and orphans of the clergy had also been largely increased.

Resolutions were adopted finally completing the action providing for marginal readings.

The house of deputies appointed the following members of the joint committee on relations of capital and labor:

Rev. J. S. B. Hodges of Maryland, Rev. C. D. Williams of Ohio, Rev. J. Lewis Parks of New York, Mr. Samuel Mather of Ohio; Mr. Jacob Riis of New York.

A vote was taken on concurring with the report of the committee of the whole adopting the first three sections of the canon 36 on the solemnization of matrimony resulting as follows:

Ayes, clerical none, lay none. Nays clerical 58, lay 4. Divided, clerical 1, lay 1.

The result was the defeat of the whole canon. The substitute for canon 37 presented by the house of bishops, referring to the remarriage of persons marrying again after being divorced, was taken up and defeated by a viva voce vote.

Dr. Greer of New York presented a resolution providing for the appointment of a committee to confer with official representatives of other religious bodies with a view of establishing uniformity of practice in the subject of matrimony and divorce.

The resolution was unanimously adopted.

VERMONT PENSIONERS.

Washington Oct. 15.—Vermont pensions: Increase restoration reissue, special accrued, Sept. 27, Ebenezer G. Farnsworth, Morrisville; $14; original widows, etc., war with Spain, Julia Felio, Brandon, $12.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Vermont pensions, original, Albert R. Robertson, Winooski, $6.

THREE INCREDIBLE STORIES.

(From the Chicago Tribune.)

"I have got just $3,000 to spend in building a house," said the rendhing man who had dropped into the office of the architect "and I want you to draw me the plans for a good two-story frame dwelling that can be built for that sum, counting materials, work and all."

So the architect drew the plans and specifications for a $3,000 house, and the man subsequently built it for that sum, with $6.27 to spare, which he spent in giving the architect a dinner at a downtown restaurant.

The Sultan of Turkey has appointed Alexander R. Webb honorary consul general of the Ottoman empire in New York. The post is a life-long one. The Sultan has also decorated Mr. Webb with the Medjidie decoration and the medal of merit, a high honor in Turkey.

INSPIRING SCENE.

Opening Night of Musical Festival a Grand Success--Much Enthusiasm Awakened.

AN IMMENSE AUDIENCE

Madame Adams, Campanari, Miles and Miss Hirschman the Stars—Splendid Work of Chorus, Orchestra and Conductor Chapman—Concert a Treat.

The unqualified success of Vermont's second annual musical festival was assured when Monday night a large and enthusiastic audience filled the spacious auditorium of the university's new gymnasium building and listened to a brilliant opening concert in which appeared Madame Suzanne Adams, Signor Campanari, Mr. Gwilym Miles and Miss Carrie Hirschmann, only seconded and assisted by the Chapman Festival orchestra and the festival chorus of 400 voices.

Conductor Chapman, upon his entrance, received an ovation from chorus and audience, a tribute which proved the appreciation on the part of all present of his ability and untiring energy which have made the festival a possibility, and has assured its success.

The brilliant operatic programme of the evening was followed with closest attention by the large audience and the frequent and enthusiastic applause testified to their enjoyment of it. Madame Suzanne Adams who made her first appearance before a Burlington audience, fully justified the reputation she has won for herself on both sides of the water. Her exquisitely pure, true voice was heard with equally good effect in a faultless rendering of the "Shadow Song" from Dinorah, in a graceful Italian aria and in Cowen's "Snow Flake," which she gave in response to repeated encores. Madame Adams gave also a "Valse Printemps" with exquisite grace and finish and in response to an enthusiastic recall "Home Sweet Home." In a manner which held the large audience spell-bound, Madame Adams was also accompanied for this song and Cowen's "Snow Flake" by her husband, Leo Stern, the noted cellist, and also composer of the "Valse Printemps."

Signor Campanari's reappearance called out storms of applause, and he was heard to with even greater pleasure than in last season's concerts. His broad and masterly interpretation of the Meyerbeer number from L'Africaine was followed in an encore by the "Toreador Song" which so delighted his hearers last year; and in a graceful serenade by Sapllo, given by Signor Campanari, with pleasing effect from behind the scenes. In the duet from "Il Puritani" the voices of Signor Campanari and Mr. Miles were heard with fine effect.

Signor Campanari's second number was given an earlier place on the programme than the one assigned it, owing to an unexpected call to New York; for the same reason it was necessary to omit the duo numbers of Madame Adams and Signor Campanari. Signor Campanari's second number, however, a sacred hymn by "Buzzi Peccia," brought out the finest qualities of his full resonant voice, and was followed in response to enthusiastic recall by the "Figaro" aria, given in his own inimitable manner.

The Tschaikowsky overture was replaced by the E flat concerto of Liszt, in which Miss Hirschmann made her first appearance, creating a most favorable impression. Miss Hirschman's playing is characterized by great clearness and power to which she adds both delicacy and finish. She was ably seconded by the Festival orchestra in her fine rendering of the brilliant concerto so well known to concert goers. Miss Hirschman also gave in response to an encore, in a pleasing manner the "Norwegian Bridal Procession" of Grieg.

The Chapman Festival orchestra, an organization of 38 members, gathered by Mr. Chapman, from well known orchestras in Boston, New York and Maine, especially for the Festival work, contributed not a little to the success of the evening by its spirited rendering of the ever pleasing "Tell Ballet" overture, by the charming number for string orchestra from the "Peer Gynt" suite, and by two graceful arias introduced in place of the omitted one—a "Rondo D'Amour," by Westerhout, and "Perplexity" by Harry McLellen. The accompaniment work of the orchestra was also highly satisfactory.

Words of praise for the work of the chorus were heard on all sides. The effect of their year of careful training was plainly evident in the spirit, freedom and finish of their rendering of the numbers assigned to them. The majestic "Hallelujah" chorus was given with a power and dignity far in advance of last year's performance, while the captivating rhythm and "Carnival Festival" chorus were well brought out, as to call a repetition of this pleasing number. The opening chorus from the "Hymn of Praise" was substituted for the "Cavalleria" music on the programme, owing to Madame Adams' inability to rehearse with the chorus.

The new gymnasium proved an admirable place in which to hold the festival. Wires had been strung across the room over the chorus seats, preventing anything in the way of an echo. The large chorus of 400 voices made a most effective picture, forming three sides of a square, with the basses on the south side, tenors on the north and sopranos and altos on the east. In the center was seated the large orchestra of 38 pieces. The building was well lighted with clusters of incandescent lights. Gentlemanly ushers were in attendance and there was no confusion in seating the large audience of fully 1[illegible] people.

DR. DEWEY IN CHARGE.

Former Burlington Boy Appointed to Prepare Census Report on Wage Statistics.

Washington, Oct. 15.—Director of the Census Merriam has appointed Dr. Davis R. Dewey, professor of political economy and statistics in the Massachusetts Institute of Technology, an expert special agent of the census, to prepare a report on wage statistics in connection with the census reports on manufacturers and the mechanical industries.

It is hoped, as a result of the work now being organized under Dr. Dewey's personal supervision, that the 12th census will be able to show the actual wages paid in the great manufacturing industries of the country.

To obtain the facts regarding wages, both in 1900 and 1890, half a dozen picked men have been sent into the field by the census office with instructions to copy the payrolls of typical and representative establishments in different industries and in different sections of the country.

The analysis of these payrolls, which will be made under Dr. Dewey's superintendence it is stated, will enable the census office to show actual rates of wages and determine what the real trend of wages has been, as between 1890 and 1900.

Dr. Dewey was born in this city and graduated from the University of Vermont in 1879.

BALLOON TRIP A FAILURE.

Strong Wind Was Blowing it Toward Spain—Balloon Being Brought Back on a Steamer.

Paris, Oct. 15.—The attempt of Count de la Vaulx to cross the Mediterranean in a balloon which left Les Sablettes near Toulon Saturday night has failed. The minister of marine, M. de Lanessan, has received a despatch from Toulon announcing that the cruiser Du Chayla which is escorting the balloon is returning to port with the balloon and passengers which she picked up ten miles east of the St. Laurent lighthouse. The balloon was uninjured. The result of the experiment does not cause any surprise after the crews brought to Marseilles by incoming steamers this morning reported that the southeast winds which were blowing out at sea would carry the balloon to the coast of Spain or to Gibraltar. Moreover, the latest news from the passengers of the balloon indicated that it was proceeding very slowly. These two factors probably caused the Count de la Vaulx to abandon his attempt.

HAS LEARNED TO STEER.

New York, Oct. 15.—According to the estimate of the Paris correspondent of the Times M. Santos-Dumont, Franco-Brazilian aeronaut, has solved one-third of the problem of aerial navigation. A means for combating the wind has not been discovered by him, neither has the means of conveying passengers and freight, the weight of which would render his balloon powerless. He has, however, says the correspondent solved the question of steering. In the trial on Monday of M. Santos-Dumont's machine mounted, descended, turned backward and forward with wonderful precision. The machine also remained motionless in the air whenever M. Santos-Dumont desired it to do so. Whether or not the young inventor gains the prize of 100,000 francs offered by M. Deutsch for a dirigible balloon, says the despatch, he has made a forward step in human progress.

THERE WILL BE NO CHANGE

Question of Marriage and Divorce Set Aside by Episcapal Convention—Both Canons Rejected.

San Francisco, Oct. 15.—The troublesome question of marriage and divorce was set at rest for another three years to-day by the action of the house of deputies of the tri-ennial Episcopal convention in rejecting both of the proposed canons on the subject which was passed by the house of bishops.

The section forbidding the remarriage of a divorced person by a priest of the church together with the whole of canon 36, was rejected.

Canon 37, which provides for the disciplining of persons marrying again after being divorced, met with a similar fate.

The house of deputies passed an amendment to article 10 of the constitution, permitting modified forms of worship. Both houses to-day appointed members of a standing committee on capital and labor.

Rev. Cameron Mann of Kansas City was nominated to be missionary bishop of North Dakota, in the place of Rev. Dr. Pierce, who failed of election in the house of deputies.

NEW TRIAL FOR MOLINEUX.

Court of Appeals Decides That Some of the Evidence Was Not Admissible.

Albany, Oct. 15.—The Court of Appeals this afternoon handed down a decision reversing the judgment of conviction of the lower court in the Molineux case and granted a new trial to Roland B. Molineux, who was convicted of the murder of Mrs. Kate J. Adams.

Judge Werner writes the prevailing opinion of the court, all the judges concurring, except on the admission of the Barnet evidence, as to which Judge Parker writes a dissenting opinion, with which Judge Haight concurs. Judge Gray then writes a dissenting opinion. Judge O'Brien writes a concurring opinion.

Every member of the court, however, agrees for the reversal of the judgment of conviction of Molineux, on the ground that the trial court erred in receiving in evidence the declarations of Barnet made to Drs. Phillips and Deveraux, that he had received kalnow powders through the mail.

Up to 6 o'clock this evening Molineux had not been informed that he had been granted a new trial. Gen. Molineux reached Ossining early in the evening but it was then too late for him to go to the prison as the doors close for the night at 5:30 o'clock. Warden Johnson adhered to his decision not to disclose the news to the prisoner until officially notified from Albany.

Former Gov. Frank S. Black has been retained as senior counsel to defend Molineux at his next trial in conjunction with his present counsel, Weeks, Battle and Marshall.

The ex-Empress Eugenie is now settled in her English home and intends to build there a small convent in memory of her son and husband.

ACT QUICKLY.

Delay Has Been Dangerous in Burlington.

Do the right thing at the right time.

Act quickly in times of danger.

Backache is kidney danger.

Doan's Kidney Pills act quickly.

Cure all distressing dangerous kidney ills.

Plenty of evidence to prove this:

Mrs. Edwin A. Johnson, of 17 North Champlain street, says: "I was laid up with my kidneys for some time. I finally got so bad that every two or three days, peculiar sickening dizzy headaches confined me to my room. At the same time I was racked with sharp shooting pains if I stooped, straightened after bending or changed position suddenly. Urinary troubles followed and I placed myself in the hands of physicians. They did nothing for me. I grew worse instead of better. I was forbidden to eat any starchy foods and finally in spite of all efforts I got into a serious condition. I was taking medicine at the time I procured Doan's Kidney Pills at R. B. Stearns & Co., but it was not doing me a particle of good. I stopped using it and took Doan's Kidney Pills instead. When I think of the change that took place when I compare my condition with what it was, it seemed almost too good to be true. My back ceased to ache, the headache no longer troubled me and my kidneys worked naturally. I give all the credit to Doan's Kidney Pills.

For sale by all dealers; price 50 cents. Foster-Milburn Co., Buffalo, N. Y., sole agents for the United States.

Remember the name—DOAN'S—and take no substitute.

CUT HIS THROAT.

Former Pownal Man Tries to Commit Suicide in Troy Jail.

RECOVERY IMPOSSIBLE.

Severed His Wind Pipe—Mystery How He Secured Razor—Dr. Dow of West Topsham Bound Over to Grand Jury—Highgate Boy Accidentally Shot.

Bennington, Oct. 14.—William Baker, formerly of Pownal under indictment for criminal assault on Sheriff Meyers of Hoosick Falls, N. Y., and confined in the Troy jail tried to commit suicide by cutting his throat early this morning. He was heard moving about his cell at six but when the hall man went to his cell an hour later Baker was on the floor covered with blood. The cut extended from ear to ear, severed the windpipe and reached the gullet but did not touch the jugular vein. He also gashed his wrists. He was speechless when taken from the floor and his recovery is almost impossible. After inflicting the wounds he wiped the blood off the razor put it back in its case and threw himself on the floor covering himself up with his bed-clothes.

Baker has been in jail five months. He was wanted for a crime committed in Hoosick and when the officer went to arrest him Baker started to run. The officer took after him when he turned and fired at the officer, the bullet going through his hat. The officer fired at Baker but did not hit him. He escaped over the Vermont line, went to Williamstown and was finally taken and returned to New York after considerable trouble.

He was fully clothed when found. After his wounds were dressed he spoke and said he was sorry for the act. How he secured the razor is a mystery.

BOUND OVER TO GRAND JURY.

Dr. Dow Held on Charge of Arson—Will Get Bail.

West Topsham, Oct. 14.—The hearing in the case of Dr. J. A. Dow, charged with arson, was held here this afternoon before Justice Horace White and Dr. Dow was bound over to await the action of the Orange county grand jury, which does not meet again until next June.

Dr. Dow's bail was fixed at $1,000, which he will furnish and thus avoid going to jail. The defence put in no evidence but Attorney S. H. Jackson of Barre was present in behalf of the accused.

BOY ACCIDENTALLY SHOT.

Highgate, Oct. 14.—William Sheldon, of this town, was accidentally shot and killed yesterday afternoon. He and his younger brother were cleaning a gun in the barn when the gun, which the younger brother held, was unexpectedly discharged and shot William in the abdomen. He died before a physician could reach him. Deceased was about 17 years old and was a son of Charles Sheldon, a prominent resident of the town, who at one time represented the town in the State Legislature. He leaves beside his father, a mother and several brothers and sisters.

ONE PASSENGER KILLED

Rear End Collision of Freight Trains at St. Johnsbury—Fireman Had His Arm Broken—Car Burned.

St. Johnsbury, Oct. 14.—A rear end collision of freight trains occurred on the Passumpsic division of the B. & M. near Passumpsic about five o'clock this afternoon. A regular freight north stopped with the rear car in a bridge and an extra freight following struck it demolishing three cars. Engineer A. C. Eastman of the extra jumped into the river receiving slight injuries. Fireman Walden Bother also jumped and broke his arm and received other severe injuries.

R. T. Corey 24 of Littleton, N. H., was a passenger in the caboose of the regular which was burned. He was probably killed instantly, and his body has not been recovered from the wreck. A car on the extra loaded with fire was burned. Engineer Eastman after swimming ashore, luckily mounted his engine and backed it out of the burning wreck, saving it and the bridge from the flames.

Trains were delayed about four hours.

CHURCH TO CELEBRATE ITS CENTENNIAL.

Essex Center, Oct. 14.—The first week in November will be anniversary week with the First Baptist church here. It will then have completed 100 years of its organization. On Sunday morning, Nov. 3 at 10:30 a historical address will be given by the pastor, Rev. F. C. Abbey. On Monday evening at 7:30 Rev. A. N. Woodruff of Hardwick, a former pastor, will give an address. On Tuesday morning at 10 o'clock, Rev. D. D. Owen of the Baptist church of Essex Junction, will speak. A dinner will be given in the church to visiting members, after which remarks will be made by different ones. Invitations have been sent to former surviving members, and several responses have already been received. An enjoyable social time is anticipated in renewing old acquaintances.

THROUGHOUT THE STATE.

A scarlet fever epidemic has broken out in the village of Chester. Some 10 cases or more have developed during the past three weeks. At the present time it is mostly confined to children. One case in Brattleboro is reported.

Mrs. Helen Warren Auger, a former Brattleboro girl, has been appointed instructor of American literature in the Brooklyn Institute of arts and sciences, having about 15,000 students. Mrs. Auger is the wife of Dr. Henri M. Auger of New York, and a daughter of Mrs. Jane Warren of Brattleboro.

The work on the $200,000 marble mill which the Rutland-Florence Marble company is building at Pittsford is progressing satisfactorily. All contracts have been signed, and about 60 men are at work on the mill foundations.

The First Baptist church of Bennington village has extended a call to the Rev. Fred G. Morris, of Albany, to the pastorate made vacant by the removal of the Rev. George B. Lawson. It is expected that he will accept the call.

Mary Bent, wife of Henry Bent, was found dead on the lounge in her sitting room at Bennington Monday, October 7. Heart disease was the cause of death. She was apparently in her usual good health at noon. After dinner she worked for two hours.

Wednesday of last week Joseph Ayers, while at work for Richard Beattie in Maidstone, met with a serious accident, which may prove fatal. He fell from a loaded dump cart and the wheel passed over his head, cracking his skull. It is only an even chance that he will recover.

Rev. Sedgwick W. Bidwell of Middlebury Oct. 8 united in marriage David Store of that town and Mrs. Velda Harrington of Ripton. Both of the contracting parties had been married twice before and with the latest ceremony made five weddings, all solemnized by Rev. Mr. Bidwell, in which Mr. Stone had been a groom or Mrs. Stone a bride. Both bride and groom were 55 years of age and the clergyman was 82.

F. H. Babbitt, proprietor of the depot cafes in Bellows Falls and White River Junction, has purchased the railroad restaurant at St. Albans and taken possession. He contemplates many improvements in the equipment at an expense of many $100. John C. Stone, one of Mr. Babbitt's force at White River Junction, has gone to St. Albans to look after the purchaser's interests for the present.

Gardiner, four years of age, son of Malcolm McLeod, was drowned about a week Monday, Oct. 7, by falling into the flume at J. M. Batchelder & Son's mill at Plainfield. He was playing with another boy and stepped on the end of a board which tipped over, throwing him in. It was necessary to draw the water off to find the body, which was in the flume about 10 minutes. Life was extinct when he was recovered.

Ralph Allen of Hardwick was struck by the left eye with a stone last Saturday morning. His glasses were broken and a considerable gash was cut around the eye, but very fortunately for him none of the broken glass entered the eye. It was a peculiar accident. He with some other lads was trying to dislodge some object from a tree by firing stones at it, one of the stones about the size of an ordinary nutmeg struck the lad on its return trip from the tree top.

The marble quarry on Grove street, Brandon, which was opened and operated by Thayer & Simonds for a short time and was recently sold to George E. Royce of Rutland, is to be worked again after having been idle a good many years. A force of men began work Monday morning getting ready in shape to begin quarrying the marble. It is thought that there is a large deposit of fine marble just back of the old quarry, where the work will be begun. Mr. Royce will either have the Corona marble mill, after the expiration of the lease now held by the Rutland and Florence Marble company, or build a mill on its lot opposite the quarry.

It is stated semi-officially that the Rutland railroad will within a very short time begin actual work on the new depot in Rutland. It is now expected by the officials of the road who have the matter in charge that a start will be made on the building within the coming six weeks. President Clement of the railroad is personally superintending the preparations and plans for the new station and does not greatly fancy being brought to account. The plans and specifications for the building are now being drawn by architects in New York and it is probable that estimates for the work of erecting the building will be asked for privately from a number of contractors within a few days. The railroad people now state that the building will be the finest railroad station in New England outside of Boston.

The marriage of Miss Ethel Louise Wakeman and Charles Asa Hayden took place Tuesday, Oct. 8 in the Center Congregational church of Brattleboro, Rev. H. R. Miles, the pastor, officiating. To the strains of the wedding march, played by the organist, F. C. Leitsinger, the bridal party entered the church in the following order: H. L. Sabin of Ludlow, Dr. M. J. Stoddard and W. A. Stoddard of Springfield, Harry R. Randall, Dr. Charles Thompson and John R. Holder of Brattleboro the bridesmaids, Miss Clara Ella Hood of New York, Miss Florence Tracy Bemis of Boston, Miss Susie Lorraine Hapgood of Perth, and Miss Maud May Stoddard of Springfield; the maid of honor, Miss Alice Waterman, sister of the bride; the bride on the arm of her father. They met at the altar by the groom and best man, Ernest J. Waterman, twin brother of the bride. Miss Laura Jones of Northampton, a violinist, gave three selections while the guests were gathering, and also played during the ceremony. The bride is the second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Waterman. The groom is the only son of George A. Hayden and is a bookkeeper in the Vermont National bank. Both are prominent in Brattleboro society.

THE CHOIR THE MAIN THING.

The Soprano—You should come to our church on Sunday. I think you would enjoy the service.

Gradby—And of what does the service consist?

The Soprano—We sing several hymns and I have a solo.

Gradby—But don't they have any sermon?

The Soprano—Yes, I think they do, but of course that is merely incidental. The choir is the main thing, you know.—Boston Transcript.

26 WITNESSES

Will be Allowed to be Present at the Execution of Leon F. Czolgosz.

A THOUSAND APPLICATIONS

Have Already Been Made to Warden of the Prison—Many Cranks Send Letters and Flowers—None of Them Reach the Condemned Man—Has Not Collapsed.

Albany, N. Y., Oct. 14.—Superintendent Cornelius V. Collins will send a request to Secretary of State Hay to designate an official representative of the government to be present at the electrocution of Leon F. Czolgosz, the murderer of President McKinley. There will be not 26 witnesses in the chamber of death when the sentence of the law is executed. Warden Mead of Auburn prison has sent to Supt. Collins the requests he has received for permission to attend the electrocution, over one thousand in all. The law will limit the number of witnesses and the superintendent will decide who the witnesses will be.

It was stated at the state department of prisons to-day that statements to the effect that Czolgosz is in a continuous state of collapse and that he breaks down and weeps every time anything is said to him concerning the electrocution is false. Supt. Collins had a talk with the condemned man some days ago and at that time he said he knew that he had to die. He expressed no fear as to the electrocution but said that he would not live outside of the prison for he believed that the people would kill him.

Since his confinement at Auburn prison several thousand letters have been received for him at the prison as well as a large number of express packages containing flowers and fruit. Neither the fruit nor the flowers nor the fruit have ever reached the condemned man. The flowers and fruit it is learned have been sent by Christian societies as large numbers of letters consoling him in his last moments, other letters have come from cranks who have written about the species of torture to which they would put him if they had the execution of justice in his case.

It is stated, however, that it would be a matter of surprise if the warden of Auburn prison should not receive some sympathetic letters.

The State prison department has pursued a uniform policy in regard to Czolgosz. An effort has been made to prevent the murderer from raising any sympathy while awaiting death and to surround him as perfect an isolation from the world as possible.

REUNION OF FIRST CAVALRY.

The twenty-ninth reunion of survivors of the First Regiment of Vermont Cavalry will be held here on Wednesday, Oct. 23. Headquarters will be established at the St. Johnsbury house. A business meeting will be held in Chamberlin Post rooms at 4:30 o'clock p. m., followed by a banquet in the dining hall of Chamberlin Post at 7:00 o'clock.—After the banquet adjournment will be taken to G. A. R. hall where Comrade William M. Beeman, captain of Company B, now living in Hartford, Conn., will deliver the address of the evening. This original paper is expected to be the second in the series of papers which will become the History of the First Vermont Cavalry.