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A lot of Aprons, 600 in all, and such extravagant beauties for a mighty small amount of money. Every style and with such a plenty there are styles galore for you to choose from. Some have bib and shoulder-pieces, some short, some as waitresses use, some big, full skirted styles for the matron. Priced a third under regular value.

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At the above prices we control a line of the finest All-line Handkerchiefs that have ever come to Burlington. Let us convince you.

NEWS OF VERMONT.

More Important Events Grouped for Free Press Readers—Death of Henry D. Hall of Bennington.

Henry D. Hall, one of the best known men of Bennington county, died suddenly at his home in North Bennington Tuesday afternoon. He had been taken with a severe cold, the result of injuries received by falling on the ice. He was supposed to be getting better up to noon. Two hours after his death he was found lying on his back, his face pale and his hands cold. He was 65 years of age and was a native of Bennington. He was a member of the Congregational church and was a prominent citizen. He was survived by a wife and two children.

INSIDE FACTS

Sheridan's CONDITION POWDER

It is known to thousands of poultry raisers that you get more fertile eggs, better hatched chicks when you use Sheridan's Condition Powder.

Not a food, but makes all food more effective. Successful poultry men have proved its value for 30 years past.

One peck, 10c. Six pecks, 50c. Large tin, \$1.00. Express paid. Sample poultry paper free.

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THE KENNEL CLUB.

Officers Elected at Annual Meeting—Bench Show Profitable.

The annual meeting of the Champlain Kennel Club was held Tuesday night at the Hotel Hamilton. The meeting was held in the dining room of the hotel and was attended by a large number of members. The officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, B. B. Beman; Vice-presidents, L. C. Clark, B. J. Perry, Robert Noble, Dr. E. A. Miller, Dr. R. L. Fackler, Dr. J. W. Woodbury, C. E. Irving, the Rev. S. N. Jackson, and Dr. W. Seward Webb of Shelburne; Treasurer, J. E. Reeves; Assistant secretary, R. J. Ross; Directors, Dr. H. Nelson Jackson, A. J. Taylor, Dr. H. English, Howard Crane, E. Woodbury, L. P. Wood.

Had Its Origin Near an Oil Tank

in a Store Basement.

Confined the Flames to a Limited Area.

The grocery store of F. E. Perkins in the Y. M. C. A. block was gutted by fire Thursday and practically the entire stock of goods was ruined, entailing a loss of between \$1,000 and \$12,000 to Mr. Perkins, and an additional loss to the building and other occupants of at least \$1,000. The fire was an exceedingly stubborn one to fight and was not extinguished until the firemen had worked more than four hours.

Who is Just Beginning to Read it, a Safety Razor set in a very desirable present.

For the Boy

Take an inventory in your attic and see how many safety razors you have. You may find a few that are worn and need a new blade. Buy a new safety razor set in a very desirable present for the boy.

THE OLD BEE HIVE.

CITY NEWS.

If you own two dictionaries and need only one of them, you lack thrift. A new one will reach some one who has no dictionary, but who wants one.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed Monday by James E. Barrows of this city. His liabilities are \$1,000 and assets of \$1,000, of which all are claimed exempt.

Second hand toys, novelties or other contrivances for Christmas at the Home for Desolate Children should be sent at once to Mrs. A. E. Richardson, 22 Williams street.

A petition for divorce was filed yesterday in the county clerk's office by Clara Shields vs. George Shields, the grounds being intolerable severity and refusal to support.

Frank Stacy, a granite polisher of Erie, filed a petition in bankruptcy yesterday. His liabilities are \$1,000 and assets \$250.48, of which \$26.88 are claimed exempt.

Mrs. William A. Spring, who has been ill for some time, died at her home in New York, Wednesday night. She was 70 years of age and was a native of Vermont.

A petition in bankruptcy was filed Sunday by Joseph Longue, a farmer of Montgomery. He has liabilities of \$1,000 and assets of \$1,000, of which \$1,000 are claimed exempt.

Tommy Green left Monday for his old home in the southern part of Virginia. He will be absent for some time and will return on Christmas and his birthday on the same day. He expects to return to Burlington the spring.

E. E. Ayer, deputy collector and inspector of customs, who has been located at Windmill Point during the period of vacation, has closed his duties there at the winter and been transferred to Montreal.

The condition of John Kelley, the actor, who was seriously injured while playing good some two weeks ago, is not much improved. It has been decided that he will have to be taken to a hospital for treatment.

The Champlain Transportation company used its season on Lake Champlain Saturday evening. The "Phoenician" was very late in leaving, but made a trip to the islands in connection with her regular trip, which accounted for the delay.

The annual meeting and banquet of the English Alumni association of the University of Vermont will be held at Boston on the evening of Friday, January 19th. The women graduates of the university will be invited to attend the meeting this year.

News was received by F. E. Perkins yesterday of the death of the wife of F. G. Gidworth in Kansas City, Sunday night. The woman was 70 years of age and was a native of Vermont. She was survived by an infant daughter, a few months old.

Edward Fitzsimmons, who was recently convicted of burglary in city court, was yesterday placed in the hands of the Probation Officer Ferguson, an investigation showing that he had been led into crime. His downfall is attributed by Mr. Ferguson to the fact that he had been drinking and had been in the company of a woman who was a prostitute.

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Isahan entertained a large number of young people last evening at their home on Williams street in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur S. Isahan.

PROBATE COURT.

Summary of Business Transacted During the Week Ending December 16.

Estate of John J. Wright, Burlington. Estate of John J. Wright, Burlington.

MANY MOURNING FRIENDS

Attended the Funeral of John W. McGarry Yesterday Afternoon.

Perhaps the most largely attended funeral which has taken place in this city for some time was that of John W. McGarry, who died at his home in South Water street at 10 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The attendance included business associates, intimate friends and mourning friends. The funeral services were held at the residence of Mrs. G. E. Jarvis, 100 North Main street, at 2 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The services were conducted by the Rev. George Y. Ellis, pastor of St. Paul's church, and were attended by a large number of friends. The remains were interred in the Mount Calvary cemetery.

FORESTERS OF AMERICA.

Officers Elected by Court Burlington at Annual Meeting Last Evening.

The annual meeting of the Champlain Foresters of America was held last night at the rooms of the court in the Hayward block. Reports for the year were read and the accounts were found to be in excellent condition. It was voted last night to hold a ball on New Year's eve. It was also voted to hold a picnic on the shore of Lake Champlain on the first of July. The officers for the coming year were elected as follows: President, B. B. Beman; Vice-presidents, L. C. Clark, B. J. Perry, Robert Noble, Dr. E. A. Miller, Dr. R. L. Fackler, Dr. J. W. Woodbury, C. E. Irving, the Rev. S. N. Jackson, and Dr. W. Seward Webb of Shelburne; Treasurer, J. E. Reeves; Assistant secretary, R. J. Ross; Directors, Dr. H. Nelson Jackson, A. J. Taylor, Dr. H. English, Howard Crane, E. Woodbury, L. P. Wood.

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LUMBER TRADE 116 YEARS AGO.

When Sawed Lumber Went from Ira Allen's Mill at Winslow to Quebec

—Letter of Levi Allen to Ira—

Boston, Dec. 7, 1887.

To the Editor of the Free Press:

I have recently read in Miss Hemenway's Vermont Gazette, Mr. Henry Rolfe's interesting historical sketch of the "Lumber Trade" in Burlington in which he says: "The first saw mill in that vicinity was built by Ira Allen in 1788, and in connection with his brother, Levi Allen, who was then in the trade in St. Johns, C. E. he opened a trade in Quebec. Among articles sent to that market was lumber, the product of the mills built at Winslow Falls."

In connection with the above and relating to the same, I append a copy of a characteristic "Allen" letter from Levi, dated at Quebec, July 7, 1878, addressed to his brother Ira at Winslow Falls. It may be of some historical interest to the readers of the "Free Press."

Yours,
GEORGE B. REED.
Quebec, July 7, 1878.

Dear Sir:—Have got a small assortment of the best and most salable goods I ever saw. They will not be sold without ready cash. I have a lot of extra good quality of pine boards and commence a highwayman than ask for any more goods until payments of the family and you may say V—t depends on what your mills produce and the lumber I can collect. Have made a bargain for an amazing quantity of pine boards. Therefore

Let your mills be put in order as soon as possible for two years successively. I had a good deal of lumber and have not received five pounds. I am (part of sentence here illegible). I will retire to the Green mountains and defend myself as the brave negroes do in a certain mountainous island in the West Indies. I am a member of the family and I am sure you will be on my arrival at St. Johns, shall not be wanted there only to mark the goods for Nancy in to sell them and I am sure she will be able to do so without cash or ready pay. It is a most ridiculous way to pretend to trade without making payment. If the mills can be going until the first of May with what lumber I can get, credit will be established in such manner that the quantity of goods you may kind may be had on the best terms.

Yours in haste,
LEVI ALLEN.
To Col. Ira Allen, Ontario River.

THOMPSON TRIED TO ESCAPE.

Charles Higgins was arraigned in Caledonia county court Monday on the charge of larceny. The respondent is 36 years of age and was charged with the larceny of a watch and a pair of trousers, the value of which was \$100. Higgins was arrested at West Burke a short time ago and was sentenced to the industrial school at Vergennes for a term of six months. He is now in the custody of the sheriff.

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John M. Thompson, alias Christopher Thompson, the respondent in the larceny case of \$100 from Mrs. Matilda Towland of Montpelier, was sentenced to three months in the House of Correction at Lowell, Mass., a couple of days ago. At the last minute Mrs. Howland, who was in the case as a witness, came before Judge H. C. Brown and begged for him to be lenient with Thompson. She said she did not wish to see him sent away for a long term as she supposed he had been severely cut, an artery being cut out on one finger.

WIFE OFFERS NO BAIL.

Lulus B. Call, who married Hattie Duncker in Brattleboro police court Tuesday, while under arrest for trover, was out under bonds in the sum of \$50 at the residence of her father, Mr. Call, in Brattleboro, Wednesday. The case was taken to Brattleboro Wednesday by Chief Hall and taken to county court for trial.

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ESTATE OF CHARLES SEYMOUR.

The Probate Court for the District of Chittenden, Vermont, has appointed the following as administrators of the estate of Charles Seymour, late of Burlington, Vermont, deceased: J. W. Woodbury, L. P. Wood, and C. E. Irving.

CHAFING DISHES.

We are showing this week a large line of the famous Starnum dishes and Fancy Kettles in brass and nickel silver, Fancy and Plain Trays, Spoons and Forks, in fact everything that belongs to an up-to-date dish.

A. S. Kilborn, Successor to Lyman P. Wood, 184 Bank Street.

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A complete assortment, including Bird and Came Carvers. From \$1 a pair up. Everything in Cutlery at Right Prices. THE JOHN A. MANSON & CO. CUTLERY HEADQUARTERS.

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Pease's, Main St.

There are several criminal cases yet to be heard in court as expected. It will require about two weeks to dispose of them. No civil cases, unless it be a few with the court, will be taken up.

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