

THREE ARRESTS ON ARSON CHARGE IN PAPIN FIRE CASE

Proprietors and Clerk of Papin Bros. Market, In Which This Morning's Fire Was Located, Placed in Custody.

EACH DEMANDED A HEARING

Fire Threatened to Destroy Old City Building But Was Finally Squelched With Loss of About \$1,000.

A small blaze, accompanied by a large amount of smoke, in the meat market of Papin Brothers in the basement of the old city building, baffled the efforts of the firemen to extinguish it for some time at an early hour this morning, the alarm being rung at 2:50 o'clock.

A right investigation of the scene of the fire was made this forenoon by State's Attorney Senter, Grand Juror Scott, City Attorney Gordon, Chief of Police Brown, with Chief Campbell of the fire department and other members of the department.

Fire Chief Campbell and the police found pieces of paper which evidently had been saturated with kerosene; it was also stated that the sawdust on the floor had every indication of being sprinkled with oil.

As a result of the investigation made by the officials, three warrants were sworn out and served just before noon on Joseph and John Papin, of the firm of Papin Bros. and Philip Bell their clerk, charging them with arson in setting fire to the building.

Being arraigned before Judge Fay all three respondents demanded a hearing, and the court granted one for this afternoon at 2 o'clock.

James Wheeler, a clerk in Prindle & Averill's store, says that Bell, one of the respondents, purchased of him at about 6:15 last evening two quarts of kerosene, carrying it away in a small red pall which had a brown cover.

After concluding his investigation State's Attorney Senter said, "The fire was incendiary." Chief Brown declared positively that the fire was set, and the other officials concurred in the statement.

The fire was discovered by two patrolmen, David Faulkner and David McPhee, and the alarm was rung in by the former from box 23 a few minutes before 3 o'clock. The fire had probably been smoldering for some time previously, as John Fraser, who is baker for F. D. Ladd, says that he smelled the smoke at about one o'clock.

The flames had scorched the interior of Papin Bros. store and had eaten their way into the partition which separates Papin's from Parker & Tassie's market in the same basement. This made the firemen's work particularly difficult.

control an hour after the alarm, and the "all out" was rung at 4:15 o'clock. The insurance carried on the building amounts to \$5,300. Parker & Tassie have \$750, and Papin Bros. \$700.

A FOX FARM IN WOODFORD.

Deputy Sheriff Godfrey of Bennington to take the Alaskan variety. Bennington, April 25.—Deputy Sheriff Fred Godfrey, who recently purchased a twelve acre lot in Woodford, has decided to turn the place into a place for the propagation of the blue, or Alaskan foxes, a type of animal that is coming very much into prominence because of the value of the fur which ranks next to the silver gray fox.

There is one establishment of the kind in the state and the demand for the furs is largely in excess of the supply. Each skin is valued at from \$10 to \$25.

MRS. JUDEVINE BETTER.

Suffered Paralytic Shock Last Sunday—Has Recovered Speech.

Hardwick, April 25.—The condition of Mrs. M. Jevdine, who suffered a paralytic shock Sunday morning, is somewhat improved tonight. The shock deprived her of speech for a time but she has recovered the use of her voice today and the physicians hope for her recovery.

BOUND FOR IRELAND.

Edward and Alexandra Stop at the Races.

London, April 25.—King Edward and Queen Alexandra who are enroute for Ireland, arrived off Kingston harbor this morning. Their majesties and suite immediately landed and were received with great enthusiasm. After receiving local officials the royal party proceeded to the Punchestown races.

HONOR TO LOUBET.

Twenty Thousand Troops Participate in Military Review.

Rome, April 25.—Twenty thousand troops participated in the military review today in honor of President Loubet of France. President Loubet drove with the Queen of Italy while King Victor and the princesses of the royal house viewed the review from horseback.

GRANITE MEN GO BACK.

Milford, Mass., April 25.—One hundred and fifty of the 300 granite cutters who have been on strike at the local sheds, returned to work today, a satisfactory agreement having been reached last week.

\$300,000 IN LONDON.

London, April 25.—Last night's fire in the freight warehouses of London and northwestern railroad caused loss of \$300,000.

PROGRAMME FOR PIPE ORGAN RECITAL.

The programme for the pipe organ recital at the Hedding M. E. church this evening is as follows:

- Invocation Mr. Whitney
Pastorale in G Mr. Whitney
These are They (from Holy City) Master Leonard Scorgie
Professional Grand March S. R. Whitney
O Holy Amabile are Thy Dwellings West Choir
O Divine Redeemer Gonnard
Transcriptions Master Leonard Scorgie
(a) Duetto Mendelssohn
(b) Air from Louis XIII Wagner
(c) March from Die Meistersinger Campanio
Ninety-nine Stars Master Leonard Scorgie
Let the People Praise Thee, O God Carter Choir
Grand Chorus Lemaigre
Offertoire Lemaigre
Gaglietta Lemaigre
Come unto Him (Messiah) Handel
Large Mr. Whitney

In communicating with Mr. Whitney some weeks ago regarding a boy soloist to assist at the recital April 26, Mr. Whitney named two boys, describing their voices and mentioning the strong points of each. Their names were Master Karl Fowler and Master Leonard Scorgie. Mr. Whitney did not think Master Scorgie could be induced to come so far away from home.

"I suppose you received my letter about Master Fowler losing his voice. I wrote at once for the other boy, Master Leonard Scorgie and he came in this afternoon and sang for me, and I am sure you will be delighted with his singing as I was. I wouldn't think of bringing him with me if I didn't feel sure you would be pleased with him. He is, as I said, a larger boy with larger voice than Fowler had, and his high notes are magnificent."

NOT A CANDIDATE AGAINST J. A. DeBOER

But P. W. Clement Believes He Can Win Out Against Either Bell or Stanton.

Rutland, April 25.—So much has been said as to P. W. Clement's position on the governorship in this campaign, your correspondent has sought out the facts, and from one very close to Mr. Clement is enabled to tell me what his plans really are. If the contest for the governorship is to be between Messrs. Bell and Stanton, Mr. Clement will surely enter the race. If Mr. DeBoer is to be a candidate, he will not, but will do what he can to secure the latter's nomination.

CHARGES AGAINST COMMISSIONERS.

License Board of Colchester Said to Have Been Influenced.

Burlington, April 25.—The selection of the town of Colchester summoned the board of license commissioners, Hector Huard, John Bialis and P. N. Wolcott, to appear before them to show the record of the deliberations and action taken at the session of the board Wednesday, Thursday and Friday afternoons and Saturday morning of last week.

The selection have grave charges against the commissioners which have not been made public. It is said, however, that there has been undue influence and pressure brought to bear on the board in the matter of awarding licenses, and that after the list had been at one time unanimously agreed upon by the board, a change was made in the list at the Saturday morning session of the board.

PLANTED MANY TREES.

Pittsford Citizens Celebrated Arbor Day Today.

Pittsford, April 25.—Arbor day was observed in this town this afternoon for the first time in years. A large number of the citizens turned out and 30 young oaks and 50 chestnut trees were set out in various parts of the town, nearly all of them along the highways.

P. J. RUSSELL CHIEF.

Mayor Burke's Appointment of Chief and Regular Policemen.

Burlington, April 25.—Mayor Burke last evening appointed Patrick J. Russell chief of police for three years. He also appointed these regular policemen: For three years, Edward Marengo, Milo O. Graton, George E. Watson; for one year, James Delaney, Christopher Miles, William G. Collins.

ORANGE.

Miss Fern F. Peake has returned from Barre to attend the spring term of school. Mrs. Lewis Heath and her sister, Miss Bertha Avery, of Corinth, visited friends in town last week.

EASTER-TIDE FESTIVAL.

Ladies of Episcopal Church Are Preparing For Fine Occasion.

The Easter-tide festival to be held in Hale's pavilion April 28th will have many attractive features. A laughable farce, "Striking Oil," will be presented by some of the best local talent. The cast will be as follows: Dr. F. M. Lynde, F. G. Howland, F. S. Williams, Alex. Trompe, Thomas Venner, Alex. Trail, Mrs. W. F. Richardson, Miss Mae Sexton, Miss Fannie Draper and Miss Lou Calder.

The cake walk quadrille, which was a successful feature of the recent children's ball, will be repeated. Many have asked to have the opportunity to see that feature again, and those who have not seen it will also be pleased to have it given. Thirty-two children will give this, and it will be one of the features of the evening.

A musical entertainment will be given also, and the entire entertainment will be attractive. The ladies of the Church of the Good Shepherd give but few entertainments but always strive to make them such that you will be glad to attend. Come and enjoy one of the best entertainments of the season.

90th Anniversary of Clan Gordon No. 12.

In celebration of the 90th anniversary of the formation of Clan Gordon No. 12, a banquet will be served in Hale's pavilion on Saturday, May 21st, 1904, at 7 p. m. All clansmen wishing to celebrate are requested to give their names to the amusements committee as early as possible. Jas. Mutch, Secy.

Little Rhody for Roosevelt.

Rovidence, R. I., April 25.—The Republican state convention today commended the administration of President Roosevelt, and pledged him its support in the coming campaign. All the delegates are pledged for Roosevelt.

FINISH FIGHT SAYS THE CZAR

Powers Must Not Meddle In Far East.

OPPOSED TO INTERVENTION

Offers of Mediation Were Made by King Edward and King Christian of Denmark to Avoid Further Bloodshed.

SUNK JAPANESE STEAMER.

Russian Warships Gained a Victory Yesterday.

London, April 27.—Reuter's Seoul correspondent this morning wires that the Russian warships which yesterday appeared off that port and sunk the Japanese steamer Goyomaru have now disappeared. The crew of the sunken steamer is safe.

RUTLAND SIGNS PLAYERS.

Three Fast Ones Secured by Marble City Team.

Three more well known players have been signed by the Rutland Base Ball association, contracts having been received yesterday. They are A. J. Conkley, a former Holy Cross A. D. American League pitcher, Fred L. O'Brien, a Manhattan pitcher, with St. Albans last year, and Thomas F. O'Hara, a Manhattan College fielder.

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MRS. ALEXANDER GORDON.

Died Last Night After a Long Illness.

Mrs. Alexander Gordon, wife of the well known granite manufacturer, passed away at midnight last night at her home on Spaulding street. Although Mrs. Gordon was afflicted with consumption the immediate cause of death was pneumonia. The deceased was a devoted wife and mother and a patient sufferer. She bequeathed a large sum of money to the community in their sorrow.

FAVORS FORMING CLUB.

Rev. Mr. Mitchell Advocates Organized Effort for R-Form.

Dear Mr. Editor: As one who, during the past year, has advocated by voice and pen the principles enunciated by Rev. Francis Poole in his sermon of Sunday evening last, I am anxious that more than a passing notice should be given to his address. Our city already has a multiplicity of organizations and because of this I hesitate to propose the formation of another, but would it not be a good thing to invite all citizens who favor some modification of the Scandinavian system to institute a club, the object of which will be to agitate and work for such an amendment of our present law as will give us the further option Mr. Poole suggests?

MARCHISIA SKIPPED.

Fatigued to Identify Men Smith Had Warrants For.

Montpelier, April 25.—Deputy Sheriff C. A. Smith went to Barre yesterday to arrest several Italians who it is believed are implicated in the Granite street row in this city Sunday evening. A Catto was arrested, but L. Marchisia, who the deputy took with him to identify the men for whom he had warrants, disappeared. He returned to Montpelier with Catto, who was held by City Judge Woodward in \$75 today. Ball was furnished by H. J. M. Jones, for whom Catto worked.

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COUNTY POLITICS.

Candidates Coming Up All Over County.

F. S. WILLIAMS OF BARRE

Also M. M. Gordon and C. L. Moody

Candidates For State's Attorney.

Candidates For Senators.

This is a late season—late in more ways than one—but the special interest to which The Times here refers to is that in political matters. This late season, however, does not promise to interfere with the crop of political candidates. This is especially true of candidates for county offices, of which there are now enough to fill all the offices three times round.

The most important county office is that of state's attorney. There are already three candidates for this—Frank S. Williams and Matthew M. Gordon of Barre and G. L. Moody of Waterbury. As the Barre caucus will probably eliminate one of the two Barre candidates it is probable that there will be two candidates before the convention, though it is barely possible there may be a candidate from Montpelier.

The candidate most likely to receive the support of the Barre delegation is Frank S. Williams. Mr. Williams is a hard working young lawyer, who has made his own way against many obstacles. He was



FRANK S. WILLIAMS, Candidate for Nomination for State's Attorney.

born in No. Troy in 1872. In his thirteenth year he attended the graded school at Milton and for several years thereafter worked out for farmers in that vicinity, but attended the Columbus, Wis., high school in 1889. He came to Barre in 1890, learned the carpenter's trade and at 20 years of age had a well paid and responsible position at his trade.

Meantime he devoted every spare hour to study, and actually passed his examination in the four years' course, with only four terms' attendance at Goddard, where he graduated in the class of 1895.

He began reading law in the office of R. A. Hoar and was admitted to the bar in the fall of 1896. He has been in active practice since. Mr. Williams will have the support of nearly all the Barre attorneys in his candidacy for the office and expects to secure the Barre delegation with little opposition, though Mr. Gordon is making a vigorous fight for it. Mr. Moody, the candidate from Waterbury, has served one term as state's attorney in Lamoille county. He is now in Washington trying to secure the pardon of Farrer, the Waterbury bank embezzler.

It is said the latter will meet opposition to his candidacy in his own home from C. E. Moody, who it is reported is a candidate for state senator. The candidates for senatorial honors are very many. Montpelier will have a candidate, who will also have the support of the Barre delegation, in the person of W. A. Lord; Mad River Valley will also have a candidate, probably Oscar G. Eaton, a prominent merchant of Waterbury. Mr. Eaton was representative from his town in the last legislature. Dr. Winch of Northfield has been mentioned as has Arch. Batchelder of Plainfield, Mark Means of Marshfield and R. A. Hoar of Barre. There has also been some talk of a fusion ticket on similar lines of two years ago. If one is formed O. N. Richardson of Montpelier and Dr. C. H. Barber of Barre town will be candidates for senator on it.

Some mention has been made of F. G. Howland of Barre as a possible candidate for senator, but Mr. Howland informs The Times he is not a candidate—his business affairs will not permit him to enter the contest this year.

For the office of sheriff, Frank H. Tracey of Montpelier, seems to have the call. If a fusion ticket is formed Mr. Evans will probably be a candidate for re-election on the same.

E. W. Huntley of Duxbury is prominently mentioned as a candidate for side judge and will doubtless be one of the nominees. W. C. Nye of East Barre is another name mentioned in this connection.

The list is by no means complete, and other names may be added to it daily.

EXAMINATIONS FOR REVENUE SERVICE.

S. W. Hampton and J. C. Conlande of Norwich University, Northfield, are taking examinations today at the court house for entry into the revenue cutter service of the United States.