

SHE CLAIMS LEADERSHIP

Baltimore Woman Says Mrs. Eddy is Dead

SHE HAD A VISION OF IT

The Same Vision Told Her That She Was to Be New Head of the Christian Science Church—Scientists Ignore Claim.

Baltimore, Md., Sept. 18.—Declaring that a divine revelation had designated her as the successor to Mary Baker Eddy, Mrs. Erskine of this city to-day claims the leadership of the Christian Scientists. Mrs. Erskine is prominent in the Christian Science movement. She told W. C. Williams, the chairman of the Christian Science state committee on publication, that a vision had come to her, revealing that Mrs. Eddy is dead and that she is to be leader of the church. Christian Scientists here and elsewhere are paying little attention to the claim, saying that Mrs. Eddy, their beloved leader, is alive and working as usual.

MRS. HARRIMAN WILL PAY IMMENSE TAX

It Will Amount to \$670,000 if Financial Estate is as Large as Estimated.

New York, Sept. 18.—Mrs. E. H. Harriman is reported to have estimated the estate of her husband at \$67,000,000 and several of the "Railroad Wizard" associates believe that it is found to be no bigger it will develop that Harriman transferred outright many millions to his children before his fatal illness. On the above basis Mrs. Harriman will pay \$670,000 inheritance tax to the state. She is anxious for the public discussion of the will to cease and she expects to have it all wound up within thirty days.

BETTING RING RAIDED

Nineteen Bookmakers at Gravesend Arrested.

New York, Sept. 18.—Ten detectives under Police Lieutenant Lagon, of District Attorney Clarke's staff, began executing warrants at the Gravesend race track yesterday and before the second race was run, nineteen alleged violators of the law were under arrest. The prisoners were arraigned before Judge Hawes, who had issued the warrants for their arrest, and in the application of Asst. Dist. Atty. Elder they were held in bail of \$1,000 each for examination on September 27.

FOURTH'S TOLL 215 LIVES.

Record The Worst in the Last Five Years.

Chicago, Sept. 18.—The Independence Day celebration of 1909 claimed as its grim toll 215 lives, according to the figures compiled in the current number of the Journal of the American Medical Association as given out here yesterday. This year, in which the "Sane Fourth" sentiment was supposed to have reared its head, had by far the largest total of deaths in the last five years. For the first time since 1903 tetanus, or lockjaw, was responsible for more deaths than all the other causes combined. Tetanus claimed 125 lives. Philadelphia led with nine deaths; New York seven and Boston, Pittsburg and Lawrence, Mass., five each. This city did not have a fatality.

PEACE IN SOUTH AMERICA.

Peru and Bolivia Have Settled Their Differences.

Washington, Sept. 18.—Peru and Bolivia, which have been near sword's points over the boundary between them, have come to an agreement on the vital issues involved and are about to sign a protocol for a settlement of their differences. Today the state department received word to this effect from Minister James E. Sentman at La Paz, Bolivia, and adding that the protocol would be signed today or Monday.

SURE COOK REACHED POLE.

Dr. De Quervain Says He Has Tested His Figures and Statements.

Zurich, Switzerland, Sept. 18.—Dr. De Quervain, chief of the Swiss scientific expedition to Greenland, who was the first European to meet Dr. Cook in Greenland, after the American explorer's return from the North, and hear his narrative concerning the discovery of the north pole, has arrived here. Dr. De Quervain says that after having tested Cook's figures and statements to him he is convinced that Cook reached the north pole.

EAST MONTPELIER.

The pupils of the Evangelical church will be supplied to-morrow at 10:30 a. m. by the Rev. C. E. Dotter of Montpelier. In exchange with Rev. G. Howard Taylor. Evening service at 7 a. usual.

VICE-PRES. SHERMAN LAUDED PRES. TAFT

At Vermont Fish and Game League Banquet He Declared That Taft Had No Superior and Few Equals in American History.

Burlington, Sept. 18.—The banquet of the Vermont Fish and Game League at Bluff Point, N. Y., yesterday afternoon proved to be one of the most enjoyable ever held. The party returned to Burlington by boat last evening and then scattered to their homes. The banquet was served at the Hotel Champlain. Maxwell Everts was toastmaster. Vice-president James S. Sherman was the guest of honor, while Judge D. J. Brewer of the United States supreme court was also present and spoke. In introducing Vice-president Sherman, Toastmaster Everts said that he could do nothing better than to quote the lines, "The man worth while is the one who can smile when everything goes dead wrong."

Vice-president Sherman indulged in a few pleasant remarks and then said: America in all her history has never laid down her colors to an opposing force and from the seven years of the first war with England grew that instrument, the constitution, which, though originally intended for 3,000,000 people, has sufficed to cover the needs of nearly 90,000,000. The country has grown until it takes a foremost place in the rank of the advancing nations of the earth, nor is there anyone to question our ability to stand by it.

There has been, recently, much prating of commercialism and foolish talking along similar lines. We now ought to have some history written in other than blood and it is time for the country to win that supremacy in commercial lines which it has attained in the field of battle. Mr. Sherman gave a long list of statistics proving the advancement of the country during recent years and the eminent place it has taken among the nations of the earth. As illustrative of the progress made, he said that two decades ago we were second to Great Britain in the production of steel and now we lead the world. Mr. Sherman concluded his summary by saying, with enthusiasm, "We're quite sane."

There are comforts in every American home to-day which the greatest potentate in the world could not have had a century and a quarter ago. To properly measure the wealth and power of the country and compare it with all the other countries of the world, the American industry and invention has made American soil to blossom like the proverbial rose, and the soil is not the finest in the world. The glorious past of the country is ours, the present is in our keeping, and the future is yet to be won. What that future shall be depends upon the citizens of the country. Mr. Sherman said, in reference to President Taft, that the helm of state is now in the hands of one who has the patriotism, the ability and the statesmanship to guide the country on its course of prosperity. President Taft has no superior and few equals in American history and if one can judge by the indications of six months, the next three and one half years will ensure the characterization of the Taft administration in history as sublime.

Brewer Swears by Constitution

Justice Brewer said, in response of the reading of the oath which he held in New York state, that he thought it showed a Christian spirit on the part of the Vermonters to come over and illumine the people across the lake for a little while. He said he considered the missionary spirit in Vermont next best to that of the citizens of the next state. He said that, the next three and one half years will ensure the characterization of the Taft administration in history as sublime.

WOMAN NOT INDICTED.

B Reasons of Insanity—Automobile Chauffeur Was Indicted.

Burlington, Sept. 18.—The Chittenden county grand jury has found no bill against Beatrice Thompson, charged with assault on Rev. J. F. Gillis by shooting at him, by reason of the woman's insanity. A true bill has been found against William Benoit, chauffeur for Gov. Proctor, for running down and killing Hector Monrope of St. Hyacinth, P. Q., during the tercentenary celebration. The case of E. F. Parent vs. Peter Bordo was decided in Chittenden county court yesterday afternoon for the plaintiff to recover \$121.48 and costs. The case was begun late Thursday afternoon. It was an action to recover an old debt, the balance due on a horse. Mr. Bordo agreeing to pay in cash or in stone.

GOV. JOHNSON VERY LOW.

If He Lives Through To-day He Will Have an Even Chance.

Rochester, Minn., Sept. 18.—With his wife at his bedside and his physicians in constant attendance, Governor Johnson is swaying between life and death at St. Mary's hospital early this morning. In the last official statement given out by Dr. Charles Maco shortly after midnight, the surgeon stated: "I do not think Governor Johnson will die to-night. If he survives to-morrow he will have an even chance for his life."

TAFT IN MINNEAPOLIS.

President Reached There at 7:45 This Morning.

Minneapolis, Sept. 18.—President Taft arrived here at 7:45 this morning and was escorted to the Memorial club for breakfast.

IS INDICTED FOR MURDER

Fred Kent of Townshend Formally Accused

OF KILLING HIS FATHER

He Has Been in Windham County Jail on Another Charge—Accused Man Alleged to Have Told Incriminating Story.

Brattleboro, Sept. 18.—Fred Kent of Townshend was yesterday afternoon indicted on the charge of murdering his father, George Kent, the indictment having been reported by the Windham county grand jury which reported yesterday afternoon. It is alleged that Kent told a fellow prisoner confined in the jail with him at Newfane, where he is under arrest, that he and his father had a serious altercation on the night of July 9 at their home in Townshend, and that he struck his father with a pointed fish spear with such force that the handle was broken. It is believed that the scuffle which young Kent claims followed the stabbing caused the elder Kent's death. He was arrested charged with breaking into the home of Mrs. E. F. Eddy on the night of Aug. 15. Kent, it is rumored, on arrival at the jail tried to ram a bunch of keys in a chimney, and getting confidential told a fellow prisoner the full facts in the case who in turn communicated them to the jailer, Earl Davis. Mr. Davis refuses to say anything on the subject. The accounts of Townshend residents corroborate such meager facts as have leaked out from the authorities. Several holes were found in the coat belonging to the elder Kent when his body was discovered.

The broken fish spear with its blood-stains was returned to Henry Cobb when Kent had borrowed it in a previous day to spear eels with. This was seen to the state laboratory at Burlington for analysis. Kent also is alleged to have said that with a companion he took the body of his father and buried it in a cave under the roots of a tree, later removing it and carrying it to the spot where it was found beside the brook. His accomplice's name is said to be George Rogers. The latter was arrested and questioned in regard to the affair and is still under surveillance, but his stories and those of Kent show some discrepancies.

RACE HORSE RAN AWAY.

Bronson Hurdled Driver From Sulky and Ran Quarter Mile.

Syracuse, N. Y., Sept. 18.—The free for all race was the feature of the grand circuit meeting yesterday. The gray Canadian stallion, The Red, wriggled out a victory after losing the second heat to Copa De Ore in 2:03 1/4. Fighting for the leading start in the first heat, The Red forged to the front and won handily in 2:02 1/4. At the head of the stretch in the second heat Copa De Ore challenged The Red and fairly raced him off his feet. Copa De Ore's time for the best half was 59 1/2 seconds. In the third and deciding heat, The Red was never headed. His time was 2:03 1/4. After winning the first heat in 2:16 trot, Bronson, driver and owned by Henry R. Tyler of Redville, Mass., ran away. After hurling his driver to the ground, Bronson bolted down the track, but was stopped after running a quarter of a mile. Walter Cox's Melva J. won the next three heats and the race. Rosemary Belmont took the 2:13 trot. Naoma won the first heat, but fell back to fifth position in the second. She was then drawn. Ella Amulet outfooted Catfeno and won the fifth and deciding heat of the 2:09 pace.

PLAINTIFF WON SUIT.

One Pawlet Man Sued Another to Recover on Logs.

Rutland, Sept. 18.—In Rutland county court late yesterday afternoon, the jury in the case of J. B. Moore of Pawlet vs. W. J. Roberts of Pawlet rendered a verdict for the plaintiff to recover \$169. The case grew out of a log deal. Roberts bought logs valued at \$1,200, paying down \$500 and giving his note for \$800. Roberts refused to pay the note, claiming that the logs were unsound.

FEAR WATER IS IMPURE.

Brattleboro People Are Warned of Its Condition.

Brattleboro, Sept. 18.—Health Officer Henry Baker has issued a warning to users of the water of the Chestnut Hill reservoir relative to the impurities, a recent analysis having shown that there were evidences of foreign substances believed to be sewage, in the drinking water supply of the town, endangering the health of the people. An epidemic of typhoid is feared unless strict precautions are taken.

BARRE MAN FILES.

Eugene A. Camp, a Derrickman, Has Debts of \$371.75.

Rutland, Sept. 18.—There were two bankruptcy cases filed yesterday with Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States court. Ora W. Eggleston of Lyndon, a laborer, has liabilities of \$1,093.55 and assets of \$126 of which \$60 is exempt. Eugene A. Camp of Barre, a derrickman, gave his liabilities as \$371.75 and his assets as \$171, all exempt.

ROBBED CHARITY BOXES.

Few Dollars Stolen From Two Churches in Rutland.

Rutland, Sept. 18.—It was learned yesterday that thieves broke into the Congregational and Baptist churches, robbing the charity boxes, and stole what money was left for charity. The trunks were gained through a window. The loss is but a few dollars.

LARGE BEQUESTS BY LATE JOEL H. GATES

Home For Aged Ladies in Burlington Will Eventually Get \$100,000—He Willed \$5,000 For Baptist Church in Royalton Mass.

Burlington, Sept. 18.—The will of the late Joel H. Gates was filed for probate yesterday. The sum of \$5,000 is bequeathed to the Baptist church in Royalton, Mass. Mr. Gates' native town, and the balance of the estate is left to various members of the family. On the death of Mr. Gates and Miss Laura M. Gates, his sister, the Home for Aged Women in this city will receive sums of \$75,000 and \$25,000.

DEATH OF OLD RESIDENT.

Ephraim Adams of White River Junction, a Veteran of Civil War. White River Junction, Sept. 18.—The funeral of Ephraim Adams, a well known and respected citizen of this town and a veteran of the Civil War, was held at St. Anthony's church yesterday. He had been ill for many months with locomotor ataxia. He was 64 years old and a native of Barton. His boyhood days were spent in Canada N. H., and as a school boy of 15 or 16 he enlisted in Co. I, 5th New Hampshire. He served four years, once being severely wounded. After leaving the service he became a carpenter and continued at this trade until receiving his appointment as a transfer mail clerk. For about 20 years White River Junction has been his home. He is survived by a wife, who before her marriage was Miss Fannie Roberts of Hartford and three sons, Francis E., John E. and Benjamin E.

RE-OPEN QUARRY MONDAY.

New York Hotel Owner Elected President of Rutland Company. Rutland, Sept. 18.—It was learned yesterday that the directors of the Rutland Marble company of this city, which took over the plant of the defunct Columbian Marble Quarrying company of Rutland, met Thursday in New York and organized by electing Herman W. Hoppe, of New York, a banker and owner of the hotel Navarre, as president; Frank D. White of Rutland, vice-president; George C. Underhill, Rutland treasurer, and Charles M. Tuman, Rutland, assistant treasurer. John D. Woodin, president of the Lincoln Iron works of this city, has been made a director.

ARE CANNING CORN.

Northfield Factory Started up Yesterday Morning. Northfield, Sept. 18.—The corn canning factory opened yesterday morning, when a small amount of corn was brought in. The machinery was operation a portion of the day to limber it up for the work. It looks as though the total amount of corn to be canned this year will be considerably less than usual, as the heavy frosts two weeks ago materially damaged the fields of some of the largest growers. George Deny has a large field which matured unusually early and is now too old for canning purposes. Husking will be done this year by hand, as usual.

TEAM NOT RETURNED.

And Rutland Liveryman Has Sent Sheriffs After It.

Rutland, Sept. 18.—The sheriff's department is southern and western Vermont was notified last night to be on the lookout for a well dressed stranger driving a bay horse and new top buggy. This rig was hired at the Barre livery house Thursday morning. The man said he was going to Middletown Springs and would be back that night. He was not seen at the Springs and there is no clue to his whereabouts. (The horse was valued at \$150.)

RANDOLPH.

Mrs. Jane Spear of St. Paul, Minn., is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Kendrick.

Miss S. L. Messerole of Brooklyn, N. Y., is being entertained by Mrs. E. J. Kimball at Montague place.

Charles Pratt, 60, has been several months with rheumatism, here left this week to continue his work in the Perkins institute for the blind in South Boston.

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AGAIN ARREST L. SPINELLI

Police Seized Keg of Beer at His House

WERE LECTURED BY WIFE

Spinella Was Recently in City Court and When His Wife, a Material Witness, Disappeared, the Case Was Not Prossed.

The police raided the house occupied by Louis Spinelli at 40 Center street yesterday and seized a 16-gallon keg of ale which they found in the cellar. They also found another keg that had been emptied all but a few quarts, and this they did not take. The keg they seized had not been tapped. Spinelli was arrested as the keeper and was arraigned in city court last evening on the charge of keeping with intent to sell. He was admitted to bail of \$500, which was furnished by Amelio Falsetti, and the case was set for a hearing next Tuesday morning. The warrant for the raid was issued by Grand Juror E. R. Davis and the officers making the raid were Chief Paulker, Harry Gamble and George Card.

This house was raided on June 7 and Louis Spinelli and his two sons were arrested on the charge of keeping and when the case came up for a hearing Mrs. Spinelli, who was wanted by the grand juror as a material witness, was sick and the hearing was put over for a week to wait for her recovery. She was not able to leave her bed at the end of a week and the case was put over again and an officer was detailed to watch her and report when she was able to appear in court. On one of his visits during the second week of her illness, the officer found that she had suddenly disappeared during the previous night and disappeared from sight.

The grand juror then not pressed the cases against the sons, but held the father for a time longer while an attempt was made to locate the missing woman. She could not be found, however, and the case against Mr. Spinelli was finally not pressed. The officers say that Mrs. Spinelli was at home yesterday when they called and that she gave them a heated lecture in her native tongue which they were unable to appreciate, as they were not up in the Italian language.

TALK OF THE TOWN.

Leo Carter has returned from a visit in New York.

John Newman began work to-day as porter at the Hotel Dix.

F. A. Allard of East Randolph was a visitor in this city yesterday.

Excursion to state fair at White River Junction, on Sat. page 2.

John Sawyer of East Topsham is visiting W. Johnson of Board street.

B. T. Standish of Washington was a business visitor in the city to-day.

Best peaches for canning, \$1.19 a basket at the United Fruit store.

All parties who were invited to the corn roast to-night please meet at eight o'clock.

C. L. Hackett of Bethel, formerly of Barre, visited friends in this city yesterday.

James Walker and David McDonald went to Boston last night for a week's visit.

Special bananas for Saturday, 15c per dozen. 2c per 25c. Best bananas at 18c per dozen. The United Fruit Store.

Among arrivals at the City hotel last evening and today were Mrs. Mary A. Nolin, P. A. Nolin, M. Adella Nolin, Scott, Sara, P. W. Mackay, Clarence, N. B. John C. Miles, New York; L. W. Howard, White River Junction; A. H. Sweet, Portland, Me.; George H. Bleckford, Hardwick.

A report was circulated in both this city and Montpelier this forenoon that Herbert P. Welch, the Montpelier liveryman, who has his spine injured in an automobile accident Sunday evening, was dead. The report was investigated and it was found that instead of being dead Mr. Welch's condition is better. His physicians do not, however, state positively that he will recover.

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NEW ITALIAN CHURCH FORMALLY OPENED

Handsome Little Edifice on Brook Street Was Dedicated Last Night with Appropriate Exercises.

The formal dedication of the new Italian Baptist church on Brook street took place in that building last evening. The auditorium was well filled with both Italians and Americans. The dedicatory services were in charge of Rev. W. A. Davison, D. D., of Burlington, secretary and superintendent of missions of the Vermont Baptist state convention. The exercises were opened with the singing in English of "What a Friend We Have in Jesus" followed by a hymn sung in Italian. Mrs. G. B. Castellani presided at the organ. Rev. James M. Bruce, D. D., of New York, superintendent of missions of the American Baptist Home Mission society, was then introduced by the chairman, Dr. Bruce delivered the dedicatory address, speaking for nearly 40 minutes, all of his remarks being in the Italian language.

Rev. W. E. Reisted, pastor of the First Baptist church, then made a few congratulatory remarks, in which he extended a hearty welcome to Rev. and Mrs. Castellani, saying that he should consider them his co-workers. Rev. William Kohler, pastor of the Swedish mission, was the next speaker, and he, too, spoke in a congratulatory vein. Rev. J. B. MacKenzie, pastor of the Presbyterian church, was the next speaker, and he extended hearty congratulations and a welcome on behalf of the Protestant church of the city.

Dr. Davison gave a brief sketch of the work of the Italian mission in Barre from the time that Rev. Ariel Bellandi took charge of it ten years ago to the present time and of the work on the building which is just completed. Dr. Davison gave the Italians present to understand that it is their chapel and that they are always welcome there and he also asked them to try and bring their friends with them, endeavoring to fill that building so that a short time it would become too small to accommodate the people who wished to attend services.

He extended his thanks to the churches of all denominations and the people of the city for the generous help which enables the society to own the church, free of any debt. He also expressed his thanks to the members of the committee who have had charge of the work, and contractor A. B. Lane. He stated that the Home Mission society would support the pastor for a time and that he hoped the time would soon come when the church would support itself. In the work he asked the continuation of the encouragement of the Americans.

Dr. Davison announced that the committee in charge of the mission is composed of Rev. B. G. Castellani, S. Primos, Clyde W. Perry and Walter N. Gresson, also that Clyde W. Perry would act as treasurer.

Rev. G. B. Castellani then made a brief address in which he thanked the officials for the honor of his position and expressed the hope that the work would prosper. At the conclusion of his remarks in English, Mr. Castellani closed the exercises with a short address in Italian.

The new chapel is one of which the society and the Italian Baptists of the city may well be proud. The building is after the Grecian style of architecture and the entire front is of polished and hammered granite, the remainder of the building of brick and the roof slated. At either side of the entrance are two large granite pillars, one of square and hammer-cut granite and the other round and polished. Over the entrance are carved the motto, "The Morning Star Arise in Your Hearts."

The interior, while plain, is beautiful. The auditorium is a room about 40 by 30 feet and this will be fitted with chairs instead of the regular pews. At either side of the entrance are two rooms which will be used for class rooms and at either side of the platform on which the pulpit will stand are room which will be used for dressing rooms for the choir and as a study for the pastor. At the back of the pulpit is the choir loft. A baptistry has been installed and the water for this will be heated by gas. The church is fitted with both electric and gas lights.

A service will be held at the church at seven o'clock this evening. A meeting will be held at the church at three o'clock to-morrow afternoon for the purpose of organizing a Bible class and at four o'clock a service will be held, at which Dr. Bruce, Rev. G. B. Castellani, the pastor, will preach in Italian.

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MAKE DEMAND FOR OLD RATES

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