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The average daily circulation of the Barre Daily Times for the week ending Saturday was

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copies, the largest paid circulation of any daily paper in this section.

Dr. Harry A. Whitney is like the rose between two thorns.

Certainly, let Barre's street lights be burned all night. The convenience and safety of the people demand it.

Felix W. McGettrick is finding as much trouble running the Massachusetts Democracy as he did running the Vermont Untrified.

The Ows are about to be added to Barre's avary of fraternal orders. Needless to say, the new organization will be a screaming success.

Lynn M. Hays of Burlington must have heard all these whisperings that he is to be the census supervisor from Vermont, so that he will be prepared to exclaim: "This is sudden!" when the final word comes.

The New York Sun devoted nearly a whole page yesterday to telling about Willard Wright's flight up the Hudson river. When the next Hudson-Fulton centennial comes around, the really remarkable feat of to-day will be so commonplace that it will excite no greater wonder than an automobile trip of like length and will be as little chronicled.

If the stream of benefactions to certain favored colleges and universities continues to run in the present freedom, we may soon be faced with the problem of dealing with our plutocratic institutions of learning. Yale has just announced gifts of upwards of half a million dollars. If the bequests and gifts could be scattered more, the cause of education would probably be furthered.

A Rutland clergyman, having seen but one play in his life, denounces the theatre as unwholesome. Some plays are unwholesome, while others are more elevating than sermons because of the peculiar force with which they appeal to the audience. The Rutland clergyman wouldn't denounce all church members because some of them are bad. Neither should he make such a sweeping arraignment of the theatre.

While Rutland people are debating whether or not the city water supply is the cause of a typhoid epidemic now running there, the typhoid keeps on gaining. Recent revelations have not shown up the water supply in the best light, regardless of the question whether the present trouble is due to the impurities of the water, and they ought to be strong enough to compel public sentiment to take prompt steps to remedy the faults.

Among the honorable records to be noted in Vermont is that of the Vermont Journal, published at Windsor and recently purchased by Editor W. C. Belknap of the Bellows Falls Times. The Journal was established in 1783, thus giving it a history of 126 years. In fact, it harks back to the days when Vermont was in the making. If its files have been kept intact, they ought to be a valuable, very valuable, contribution to Vermont's historical papers, telling us of the early struggles to form a constitution and the early meetings of the Vermont legislature at Windsor in the days when the state capital was transferred about the four corners of the commonwealth each year. Windsor was a chief center of the state's governmental activities then, and the newspaper published there ought to contain much of interest.

COMMITMENTS TO INSANE HOSPITALS.

There has been more or less of a sentiment throughout Vermont that the commitment of state patients to insane asylums was accomplished much too easily and without due process to determine the subject's sanity. People have been "railroaded" into the asylums with too great dispatch and under a system which might be abused. Therefore, the opinion of the Vermont supreme court holding that one Lydia Allen of Orleans county was illegally held in the state asylum because of the manner of her commitment will put a stop to the present system, or, rather, improve upon it by requiring formal hearing to be held, in which the alleged insane person will be represented by a guardian. We do not wish to be understood as asserting that judgment of medical examiners has erred in declaring the insanity of those already committed or that they, through some collusion, have failed to recommend commitment of parties who were really fit subjects for the asylum. But up to the present time it has been a comparatively easy matter to "get an order," as they say, for the commitment of a certain party to the restraint of the insane hospital. Depriving a person of his liberty and placing the matter of his release with a few men in charge of the hospital is something too serious to be accomplished with a mere brush of the



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At the same time there should, of course, be either absolute temporary restraint of suspected lunatics, or they should be subjected to close guardianship; the suspected persons ought not to be allowed to go at large to do their will. But there should be more formal procedure prior to their commitment. It is to be expected that the decision of the supreme court in the Lydia Allen case will lead to the desired change.

CURRENT COMMENT

Bell Was Firm.

The death of Charles J. Bell of Walden, who had served Vermont in the governor's chair, will be especially mourned in the granite, both national and state, since he was a prominent figure in that order, and his standing therein made possible his nomination as executive of the commonwealth. He was a devoted exponent of the granite idea and put a great deal of time and effort into its development.

As a state official Gov. Bell was characterized by a firmness which enabled him, without apparent regard for public criticism, to follow out any line of action that seemed to him desirable. He had many friends throughout Vermont, as well as elsewhere, who will sincerely regret his passing.—Ludlow Tribune.

What M. S. Means to Montpelier.

Montpelier seminary and its indefatigable president, Dr. E. A. Bishop, are receiving widespread congratulations on the successful issue of the long struggle to complete the fund of \$100,000 necessary to receive the Pearson gift of \$30,000, which ended on Friday evening last week, the needful balance being practically



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The Selden Automobile Patent.
The automobile world has been jarred by a decision handed down by Judge C. M. Hough of the United States circuit court of southern New York, upholding the validity of the George B. Selden patent on gasoline automobiles. The decision apparently affects every American manufacturer, agent and owner of cars not built under license from the owners of the Selden patent. And it also affects every importer of foreign cars not affiliated with the license holders. The possibilities of injury to a very large part of the industry are limitless for under the decision it is said that royalties can be claimed for every automobile produced or imported without permission of the owners of the Selden patent.

The complainants are likely to petition for an injunction restraining the defendants from continuing to infringe the Selden patent. Whether the injunction will be immediately enforced or suspended pending an appeal remains in the discretion of the court. It is not expected that any action will be taken affecting the private owners of cars. Mr. Selden invented his motor in 1879 but the patent was not issued until 1895. At the present time there is a licensed association of 33 members which have the right to manufacture under the Selden patent, but there are twice as many manufacturers who do not have the license.

The principal claim upon which Mr. Selden based his patent, as stated in the application filed in 1879, is as follows: "The combination with a road locomotive, provided with suitable running gear including a propelling wheel and steering mechanism, of a liquid hydrocarbon gas engine of the compression type, comprising one or more power cylinders, a suitable liquid fuel receptacle, a power shaft connected with and arranged to run faster than the propelling wheel, an intermediate device and a suitable carriage body adapted to the conveyance of persons or goods, substantially as described." The suit has been on trial five years.—Bristol Phoenix.

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A large tobacco plant in Allen Bros' window is causing considerable attention. The plant was raised from the seed by A. G. Stone and is just beginning to blossom.

An increase of pension has been allowed to John G. Smith of this place at the rate of \$15 a month, and a re-lease of pension has been allowed to George O. Boyce of Montpelier at the rate of \$20 a month.

A horse belonging to Fred Breen of Duxbury ran away on Langdon avenue yesterday. The animal was cut quite badly while the wagon was demolished. Mr. Breen jumped from the team and escaped serious injury.

O'Neill Menard sustained a severe cut Sunday afternoon while trying to climb the cliff on Hill street. He got part of the way up and slipped and in catching himself tore his hand on a sharp rock, necessitating several stitches.

Another match of the Y. M. C. T. tennis tournament was played yesterday between Secretary Gilkerson and Brubaker. The match was a tie as each won a set, and tied the third 4 to 4. It was then called off on account of darkness.

George Herrick of Waterbury was in town yesterday morning with pet of a silver gray fox which he caught in a tree he felled Saturday. The fox was not noticed until the tree fell and then its head was noticed to be caught in the fork of the tree.

A horse belonging to Nelson Hammett of Waterbury became frightened at an automobile Monday evening on State street and ran nearly a quarter of a mile. After a short distance had been covered the whiffetree broke and freed the horse. No one was in the wagon at the time of the runaway.

James Towle, who returned from Amherst college a few days ago on account of an injured knee, has decided to give up going to college this year and will study until next fall. His knee had been weak for some time and in the flag rush at Amherst was so badly wrenched that he has been on crutches since his return home.

The civil case of Mary E. Sherman vs. George H. Spiller was heard before Justice of the Peace M. W. Wheelock in the J. G. Wing law office yesterday afternoon. Judgment for \$29.22 with costs of \$5.16 was rendered the plaintiff by default, the defendant not appearing. T. J. Devitt was counsel for the plaintiff.

NORTHFIELD

Supr. C. J. Ferguson of the Anti-Saloon league was in town Saturday.

A. M. Bean & Son are having a new plate glass window put in, and will also put a new front on their store.

E. E. McNally, who was formerly employed in the freight office here, has moved to Swanton where he has employment.

The Norwich cadets celebrated in a fitting manner their victory over Wesleyan Saturday evening, with the assistance of the cadet band.

Five volumes of books on nature subjects have been added to the library. They are Bird Neighbors, Game Birds, Bird Homes, Animals, and Fishes.

At a meeting of the village trustees Monday night nothing of importance was accomplished. The new village clerk, H. V. Orser, has commenced his duties.

Rev. Mr. Wilson a missionary from China gave an interesting talk at the evening service at St. Mary's Wednesday evening. He had a large number of curious that were on exhibition.

C. A. G. Jackson of Montpelier delivered his lecture on the "Reign of the Common People" Friday evening in Guild hall before a small audience. This is Mr. Jackson's new lecture and was more than up to his standard.

An informal reception was given to the cadets by the Epworth league of the Methodist church Friday. The affair was held in the vestry which was decorated for the occasion. About 50 guests were present.

The cadets arrived here last Wednesday night after their long march from White River Junction. A great deal of the trip was made in the rain so the trip was not as pleasant as usual. The longest march in a single day was 22 miles.

COUNT TOLSTOI FAILING.

He Faints After His Trip to Moscow.

St. Petersburg, Oct. 6.—The health of Count Leo Tolstoy is again exciting apprehension. He fainted yesterday after his return to Yasnaya-Polyana, from his trip to Moscow. It was the first time he had been there in several years. One fainting fit lasted ten minutes. The physician who is the count's constant companion, succeeded in restoring him to consciousness. The aged author, after several hours rest, was able to understand a short promenade.

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