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INVASION OF CLAREMONT

"Army" of Seventy-five Captured the Town

SATURDAY AFTERNOON

Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan, or "the New Bunch of Executioners," Put Through a Big Class of Initiates.

Claremont, N. H., Jan. 3.—Saturday afternoon, the railway service brought in about seventy-five strangers, thirty or more from Barre, Vt., who styled themselves "the new bunch of executioners." Others were from Newport, Bellows Falls, Lebanon and other places, whose title was "tyros," and they were to be the victims for the executioners. Along with the principals were many "votaries," those who wanted to "get back" and have the laugh, instead of being laughed at. Claremont furnished a large class of tyros and a few votaries toward the event, which was the New Year pilgrimage of Suadah temple, Dramatic Order Knights of Khorassan. It seemed to be a good thing, or, at least, some thought so, and the degree team brought along their cross-eyed tiger and their greasy tacked pole.

The visiting Khorassans did a good street parade in costumes leading the donkey, who was assisted by a clown with a red fire torch, while the band played "We Want to Be an Angel."

Evidently, the executioners lost their nerve at the critical moment, for all the tyros were seen after the killing time of execution had long passed, and it surely was not in the spirit form, for they ate heartily at Odd Fellows' hall, where the smiling women of the Rebekah society had done their prettiest in the way of assembling good things to eat in the form of a banquet, with over a hundred plates to turn.

After the banquet, the "game" was played over again in a verbal way, supplemented with lots of good smelling smoke from cigars of a musical makeup, for they had bands around them.

The D. O. K. K. is to the Knights of Pythias what the Shrine is to Masonry, and its watchword is fun and smiles and also says, "Pay your dues, or you will look like Castor's pet mule."

Yesterday, the visitors were shown about town, and Knights of Pythias hall was the headquarters.

KILLS SELF IN CELL.

Harry Bennett of Roxbury Suicide in Revere.

Revere, Jan. 3.—Harry Bennett, aged 30 years, who lived at 19 Gertrose street, Roxbury, a tailor, committed suicide in the Revere police station yesterday afternoon by hanging himself with his suspenders.

Bennett came to Revere to visit his sister, Mrs. Michael O'Donnell, 43 Vane street. About noon he went into the police station and declared there was trouble at his sister's residence, and an officer was needed. A patrolman accompanied Bennett to the address given.

After hearing the stories of all parties there the patrolman decided that Bennett himself was the trouble maker, and placed him under arrest for drunkenness. Bennett's condition was such that a physician was called and gave him treatment about 1 o'clock.

At 4.25 the prisoner was found dead in his cell by House Officer James McCrystal. He had fastened his suspenders to the upper berth and thrown himself from the lower bed. McCrystal had visited the man several times, and 10 minutes before he was found dead, the officer had given him a drink of water.

Medical Examiner Magrath pronounced the case one of suicide, and gave permission for relatives to take charge of the body. It was taken to 43 Vane street.

PULLED FROM WATER BUT DIED IN AN HOUR

Auburn, Me., Lad was Chilled and Exhausted by His Dip in Water When He Skated Too Near Edge of Ice.

Auburn, Me., Jan. 3.—Raoul Letsher, the 15-year-old son of Adolph Letsher of New Auburn, while skating on the Androscoggin river yesterday afternoon, started to cross the open water and broke through the ice.

Two boys were with him, Henry Couturier, aged 18, and his brother Ernest, aged 14. They managed to reach the ice, but he was so badly chilled and exhausted that he died in less than an hour after being taken from the water. The two boys who pulled him out suffered severely from cold and exhaustion.

SENATOR NELSON TO PRESIDE.

As Trial of Ballinger and Pinchot, as He is Well Qualified.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 3.—According to the present prospects Senator Knute Nelson of Minnesota will preside at the trial of Secretary Ballinger, with Chief Forester Pinchot, to be conducted by a committee of six members on each side. It is thought that Senator Nelson's record for ability, independence and impartiality best qualifies him for the place.

SUFFOCATED WHILE TIED TO A CHAIR

Body of Morris Nathanson was Found in New York City Yesterday Afternoon. No Clue Found.

New York, Jan. 3.—Morris Nathanson, a well to do middle-aged real estate holder and clothing manufacturer, was found dead yesterday in the loft of his factory, bound hand and foot to a chair with half-inch rope. He had been dead for hours and the vast vacant loft was filled with escaping gas from a broken pipe just above his head. There were no marks of violence on the body.

Nathanson failed to return home Saturday night and when midnight came, his wife, thoroughly alarmed, reported his absence to the police. A search was instituted Sunday morning. Mrs. Nathanson called up her husband's partner, Isaac H. Gold, and he, his wife and Mrs. Nathanson all went down to the factory. Gold, the only person except Nathanson who had a key to the loft, opened the door. A rush of gas met him, but, before he had time to close the door again, Mrs. Nathanson saw her husband dead in the chair. She shrieked and fell in a faint across the threshold.

The body had been thrice wound with half-inch rope under the arms and bound to the back of the chair. Both legs were fastened to the legs of the chair. The right hand was free, but the left hand was bound with two twists and so firmly knotted to an arm of the chair that the coroner said he could not believe that a man with only one free hand could have tied the knots. The hands and rope were both stained red, with some substance not blood.

The chair had been backed up against a pillar and the loose ends of the knot that bound the body to the frame had been knotted again behind the pillar.

On the floor were a few loose coins. There was no money in the pockets, one of which had been turned inside out, and Nathanson's key to the loft was also missing. His desk, which adjoined his partner's, was open and littered with torn and crumpled papers in the wildest confusion. On a sample table was a woman's fur-lined kid glove, torn and partly turned inside out. The safe was locked. Near it lay Nathanson's hat and above it the gas lamp had been broken.

Nathanson, so far as is known, had no reason to commit suicide. He was 49 years old and in the best of health and spirits. His business was solvent, he had ample outside resources and he lived happily with his wife and daughter. Two sons Benjamin and John, are in business at Fayetteville, Tenn.

Puzzled, the police detained Gold, the partner, on the strength of what the police say is a disagreement between his own story of his movements Saturday night and that told by his wife. However, before the coroner, Gold was so frank and willing in his statements that he was released in $1,000 bail.

The loft where the body was found is in Warren street, in the down town jobbing district.

"BUTCHER" WEYLER GIVEN FREE HAND

To Put Down Rebellious Uprisings by Force of Arms. He Confers with Premier Moret.

Madrid, Spain, Jan. 3.—General Weyler, named "The Butcher," arrived today for a conference with Premier Moret, looking to taking repressive measures against another revolutionary movement which is threatening. The republican factions which have long been at odds are now believed to be united and planning a serious outbreak.

It is believed also that the inauguration of a general strike is imminent. General Weyler has been given absolute power to punish all rebellious uprising by force of arms.

FOUR DEAD IN TENEMENT FIRE.

Three Others Hurt in Jersey City Yesterday.

New York, Jan. 3.—Four lives were lost and three persons received serious hurts in a tenement house fire in Jersey City early Sunday morning.

The dead were Anthony Pasquerale, Mr. Pasquerale, his wife, and their 6-months-old child, Annie, and Bernadina West, an infant.

Pasquerale jumped from a fourth-story window and died shortly afterward of his injuries. Mrs. Pasquerale was found in her apartment burned to a crisp, her arms about the baby. The West child was rescued by firemen, but had inhaled flame and succumbed. Three injured are suffering mostly from burns. All will probably recover.

The fire is believed to have been of incendiary origin.

WESTON TO WALK AGAIN.

This Time Says He'll Cross the Continent in 100 Days.

New York, Jan. 3.—Edward Payson Weston announced here yesterday that he would make one more transcontinental walk and that he will get from ocean to ocean this time within 100 days.

Weston will start from Los Angeles at four o'clock on the afternoon of February 1 and will be due in New York on May 2d. His hike from New York to San Francisco early last winter took him 105 days, but on that journey he encountered a long series of storms and unusually bad weather. If conditions are reasonably favorable this spring he is sure that he can cross the United States within 100 days. Details of his route will be announced later.

SHOT IN DETROIT STREET.

William Keller is Killed by Assailant Who Followed Mrs. Keller.

Detroit, Jan. 3.—William Keller was shot and mortally killed last night in a struggle with an unknown assailant who, with a companion, had followed Mrs. Keller and her sister-in-law home from a Gratiot theatre.

Keller and his brother ran from the house and escaped the men and Keller struck one of them. The men shot Keller, hold his brother at bay and crossed the yard and his companion's escape.

PUT COFFRIN IN SAFE PLACE

Following Binding Over Proceedings in City Court Today

COMPANION OF GUIDICI

Judge Found Evidence Enough to Warrant Binding Over to County Court and the Respondent Did Not Furnish $500 Bail.

Henry Coffrin, who was arrested last Wednesday morning on the charge of grand larceny, was given a hearing in the city court this forenoon, which resulted in his being bound over to county court under bail of $500, which he was unable to furnish, and he was taken back to the county jail, where he has been since his arrest, to remain until the March term of county court. This case is a companion case to that of Joseph Guidici, who was also bound over to county court and who later escaped from the local police station.

The case this morning was prosecuted by J. Ward Carver, and M. M. Gordon appeared for the respondent. Kenneth McAulay of Lanesboro, the man who claims he was robbed of $100 on Sunday evening, November 28, was the first witness put on the stand, and he told the same story he did in the Guidici hearing. He said he met Coffrin on River street Sunday morning and during the day Coffrin got liquor for him four or five times, he (McAulay) furnishing the money. Just after dark that evening, Coffrin went after some beer near the lower end of River street, and when he returned Guidici was with him, and McAulay said that was the first time he had seen Guidici.

After the three had drank up the beer, Guidici offered to go and get some, and McAulay said he took out his wallet, which contained about $180, and was looking for a $2 bill, which he knew was in the wad, when Guidici grabbed the money, all but about $20, out of his hands and fled.

The witness said that Coffrin was standing beside him at the time and as soon as Guidici grabbed the money and fled, Coffrin asked if he had got it all, and then Coffrin ran away in the same direction as Guidici had gone. McAulay chased them as far as he could in the darkness and when he had lost sight of them he went to the police station. McAulay said that when Coffrin started to run he asked him the other fellow's name, and Coffrin replied that it was Brown, but he did not know his first name.

Coffrin was put onto the stand, and he testified that he was in his room of the shack at the Corry-Deavitt-Frost dam at East Montpelier, where he was working, the Tuesday morning following the robbery, when he heard that Guidici was arrested for stealing money from Kenneth McAulay. Coffrin said that he left off work there about an hour later and went to Montpelier, where he took the train and went to Randolph to visit friends. From there, he went to the Henry Davis farm in Williamstown and had been working there about two weeks when he was arrested. He said that he left his grip and clothes at the dam.

Charles Young, a workman at the dam, said that he went into Coffrin's room with several other fellows on the Tuesday morning that Coffrin left and Coffrin was in bed. As the men began to talk about Guidici being arrested, he said that Coffrin asked: "What! Is Guidici arrested?" With that, Young said Coffrin dressed himself and in about twenty minutes left the shack and had not been back there since. The witness said his grip and clothes were there yet.

WOMAN SHOT BY ACCIDENT

Mrs. Laura A. Sargent Sustained Wound on Top of Her Head. John A. Shaw Arrested but Will Probably be Released.

Lowell, Mass., Jan. 3.—John A. Shaw, aged 22 years, accidentally shot Mrs. Laura A. Sargent in the head. It is alleged, in a restaurant on Merrimac street, opposite city hall, last night. Mr. Shaw was handling the revolver, which he found in the rear room, and was not aware that it was loaded.

Mrs. Sargent was taken to the Lowell hospital. Dr. Simpson, the attending surgeon, says the wound on top of her head is not of a serious nature. The ball was of .32 caliber. Shaw was arrested and is locked at the police station on an assault charge.

The police are satisfied that Mrs. Sargent was accidentally hurt.

TWO EXECUTIONS IN TEN MINUTES

Murderers Paid the Penalty of Their Crime at Sing Sing Prison in New York This Morning.

Ossining, N. Y., Jan. 3.—Two murderers died in the electric chair to-day at Sing Sing prison, the execution lasting but ten minutes. The victims were William Moore, who killed Policeman Ravenaugh in Brooklyn on October 29, 1907, and John Barbato, an Italian, who murdered Gaetano Pisiola at Middletown, N. Y., on January 30, 1909.

DRESSED IN OLD COSTUME.

Mr. and Mrs. Milo Griffith Received Guests on 50th Anniversary.

Moretown, Jan. 3.—Mr. and Mrs. Milo Griffith observed the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage Friday, December 31. Relatives and friends, numbering seventy-five, met with them at their pleasant home in the evening to help them celebrate the occasion. The evening was spent in a social way, with vocal and instrumental music. Among the gifts were two rice chairs, several pieces of silver, linen and china, besides a sum of money, part of which was gold.

The bride and groom were dressed in olden style, Mrs. Griffith wearing a dress, cut with a straight full skirt, and tan waist. Her hair was worn in curls, like the bride of fifty years ago. Mr. Griffith wore an old-style cut, with a long, cutaway coat. Both enjoyed the occasion and seemed younger than many who have not seen so many years.

Letters were read from Ami Munson of Morrisville and George Crandall of Berlin, expressing regret at not being able to be present, with congratulations and wishes that they might live to celebrate their diamond wedding. A bountiful supper was served, after which very appropriate remarks were made.

Mr. Griffith was born in Duxbury February 19, 1839. Mrs. Betsey Gillette, his wife, was born in the same town October 20, 1839. They were married December 31, 1859, and have spent most of their life in Duxbury, coming to Moretown seventeen years ago, where they now live. Five children were born to them, three sons and two daughters. One son, Leonard, died at the age of two years. The four living ones are Roland A. of Montpelier, Mrs. Jennie Pierce, Mrs. H. E. Austin and Pett E. Griffith of Moretown.

There are also five grandchildren, Carroll and Florence Pierce, Doris and Theron Austin and Dorothy Griffith. Mrs. Griffith has one brother living, Martin Gillette of Putnamsville. Mr. Griffith has two brothers, Franklin, of Waterbury Center, and Azro, of Moretown; also two sisters, Mrs. Stockwell and Mrs. Bidwood. All of them were present, excepting Mrs. Stockwell, who was not able to come.

Among the guests from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. Harland Munson of Morrisville, Martin Gillette and Mr. and Mrs. B. E. Gillette of Putnamsville, Mr. and Mrs. R. A. Griffith, Mr. and Mrs. C. B. McAllister of Montpelier, Mr. and Mrs. F. D. Griffith of Waterbury Center, Mrs. J. O. Haskins and Mrs. Vern Turner of Waterbury and Curtis Clark and daughter of East Montpelier.

PALACE GARAGE OPENED TODAY

Well Equipped Place for Storage and Repair of Automobiles Constructed by Parker & Ordway on North Main Street.

The Palace automobile garage, which has been under construction for the past six months by Parker & Ordway, was opened for business to-day, and Barre now has one of the best garages in Vermont. The garage is located on the lot which Parker & Ordway purchased from the Mrs. A. P. Braley estate on North Main street.

The building occupies a space with a 50-foot front and is 140 feet deep. It is two stories in front and back 30 feet with a flat roof, and the remainder of the back is constructed with a double pitch roof. The building is constructed on concrete blocks and is roofed with asbestos roofing, and wherever there is woodwork it is covered with metal lathing, making the entire building almost absolutely fireproof.

On either side of the main entrance, which is 10 feet in width, are show rooms and offices large enough to accommodate two cars each. The second story of the front of the building will be fitted for offices. The building is heated by steam and lighted with electricity and it is also piped for gas. The Bowser gasolene pump is just inside the main entrance and the 550-gallon tank is buried underground outside.

E. E. Parker, the agent for the Chalmers-Detroit and Hudson cars, will occupy the north side of the building with his cars and will also have considerable space to let for storage purposes. R. G. Bennett, the local agent for the Cadillac automobile, has leased the north side of the building and, besides his agency business, will carry on a general supply and repair business.

Mr. Bennett has already installed lathes, grinders and a drill press and an air compressor, storage tanks for inflating tires. An electric charging apparatus and vulcanizer will soon be added.

CAN'T EXPLAIN LEGACY.

Gilbert A. Davis of Windsor Surprised at $5,000 Windfall.

Windsor, Jan. 3.—Hon. Gilbert A. Davis of this town, one of the beneficiaries under the will of Clarence W. Marks of Chicago, yesterday appeared greatly surprised at the pleasant news. Mr. Davis had met Mr. Marks only a few times in his life and is at a loss to understand why the legacy of $5,000 is left to him.

Some years ago Mr. Davis built a free library building in Felchville, where he had practiced law for many years, and gave it to that town, endowing it liberally.

Mr. Marks has visited his native place quite frequently and has an aunt in Reading, Mrs. Jane Hyland Hawkins and several cousins, who are generously remembered in his will.

William Reid of Green street is confined to the street with muscular rheumatism.

FIRE-BUG IS SUSPECTED

House at Foxville Destroyed, Village Threatened

EVERYBODY FIGHTS FIRE

Peter Matheson's House Burned Early To-day—It Was Unoccupied—Unoccupied Farm Building Nearby Burned a Week Ago.

If there's a firebug abroad in the quarry section, he came near having more amusement than he bargained for this morning, when he touched a match to the house of Peter Matheson and started what almost proved to be a conflagration in the little village of Foxville. The Matheson house was burned to the ground, and the villagers saved the residences of Louis Clark and D. D. McAuley and a string of other houses, as well as the store of Peter Lucas, across the street, only by great efforts. The Matheson house was unoccupied, and hadn't been used for a month. It was partially insured.

It was a week ago last Saturday that the barns on the A. M. Morrison farm, just a short distance away, were burned to the ground, and the cause of that fire was not known. The two fires, coming so closely together and from mysterious causes, have caused a good deal of speculation in the neighborhood.

This morning's fire was discovered at about five o'clock, and the entire house was enveloped in flames. Joseph Blanchard, one of the neighbors, who arose to care for a sick child, was one of the first to discover the fire, while Mr. McAuley's folks, who live very near the Matheson house, were awakened by the glare at nearly the same time. The alarm was spread, and every able-bodied fire fighter of both sexes turned out to save the village and their homes, for they realized if the Matheson barns should be burned there would be little chance to save the McAuley house, which almost touches the Matheson barn, and then the remaining houses in the village.

Bucket bridges were formed and water was thrown on the barn, the efforts to save the Matheson house being useless; and snow was hurled against the sides of the neighboring buildings, which were being scorched by the heat. The side of Louis Clark's house nearest the fire was browned over, but the volunteers finally saved it, as they did the Matheson barn and the remainder of the village.

The Matheson house was vacated a month ago by its tenants, the Rafus family of thirteen, with whom Mr. Matheson also lived; and they all moved to Mr. Matheson's farm, which is situated about a mile from Foxville. There is, therefore, no known cause of the fire, as the neighbors report that there has been no one around the property during the daytime. The flames had made so much progress when discovered by the neighbors that there was no clue to the mystery. There were few furnishings in the house at the time.

SWANTON HAD FIRE WHICH THREATENED

A House and Two Barns Burned and Other Valuable Property Was in Danger, Including Stores of Robin Hood Company.

Swanton, Jan. 3.—Fire which started Saturday night in the barn of Edwin Wakefield destroyed that and also the house and barn of Albert Tetrault, adjoining, together with their contents. The exterior of the Wakefield house and of the G. H. Chappell house were damaged somewhat. Among other buildings endangered was a barn which was used by the Robin Hood company for storage purposes, there being upwards of $150,000 worth of ammunition stored there.

The fire is supposed to have started from a spark thrown off by a passing engine. Mr. Tetrault carried $1,000 insurance.

ITS USUAL DIVIDEND

Declared by National Bank of Barre to Stockholders.

The National Bank of Barre has declared its 73d consecutive semi-annual dividend to stockholders of four per cent. This makes a total of $333,500 paid in dividends since its organization.

DEATH OF AGNES BOOTH.

She was a Famous Actress of Two Decades Ago.

Boston, Jan. 3.—Agnes Booth, the famous actress of two decades or more ago, wife of John R. Schoeffel, manager of the Tremont theatre, Boston, died at her home in Brookline yesterday, aged 63 years. She had been sick for nearly a year of heart trouble.

Born in Sydney, Australia, Mary Agnes Land Booke made her debut as a dancer when a child. She made her first appearance in New York in 1863 and soon after became leading lady with Edwin Forrest. She starred also with other prominent actors of her day, and won laurels in various countries.

She was three times married. Her first husband, Harry Perry, an American actor, died in 1883. Junius Booth, her second husband, died in 1883. She was married to John Schoeffel in 1883.

BARRE CHURCHES REPORT FOR YEAR

Four Religious Families Held Reunions Saturday Afternoon and Evening. Three of Them Elected Officers.

The annual business meeting, election of officers and roll-call of the First Baptist church was held at the church Saturday afternoon, and in the evening a supper was served by the ladies of the church and a social hour enjoyed.

The officers elected were as follows: Clerk, Mrs. F. G. Rogers; assistant clerk, James Grearson; treasurer, Clyde W. Perry; collector, James Grearson; financial committee, William McDonald, A. S. Jones, Lewis Jones, Dan A. Perry, Alden Grearson and W. N. Grearson; chairman of the board of ushers, D. R. Cutler; chorister, W. D. Kidder; superintendent of Sunday school, George Watt; superintendent of primary school, Mrs. F. A. Cragg.

It was voted during the afternoon that the salary of the pastor, Rev. W. S. Braisted, be raised from $1,100 to $1,250 per year.

The reports from the various departments were made, when it was shown that the church is in a more prosperous condition than ever before. The reports of Rev. William Kohler of the Swedish mission and of Rev. G. B. Castellani of the Italian mission show that both of these branches are prospering.

The report of the finance committee stated that over $3,500 has been collected during the year, and the financial reports of all departments show that the departments are free from debt and that a surplus remains in each treasury. The report of the clerk gives a net gain in membership of 14. Two members have died during the year and six have withdrawn by letter. There is at present a total membership of 278. During the calling of the roll of the church, 83 members responded in person and about 25 others by letter and in other ways.

Supper was served by the ladies in the evening, there being about 200 people present. At the conclusion of the repast, some special music was enjoyed.

The annual roll-call and social meeting of the Hedding Methodist church was held at the church Saturday afternoon, and in the evening the ladies of the Ladies' and Pastors' union served a supper. The roll-call was held at four o'clock in the afternoon, when about 60 of the members of the church responded in person, as their names were called, and others by letter.

The supper, which was served at the conclusion of the roll-call was under the management of Mrs. L. B. Dodge and all voted it an entire success. Nothing of a business nature was transacted during the afternoon, as the official board of the Methodist church is elected at the fourth quarterly conference in each year.

The annual parish dinner of the Universalist church was held in the vestry Saturday at noon, at which there were present 130 members of the parish. An excellent dinner was served by the Ladies' union, and, at the close, the adjourned annual meeting of the parish was held. S. D. Allen was elected chairman and George L. Gates, clerk. The committee elected at the annual meeting Tuesday evening to revise the constitution presented its report, and it was accepted. The principal change made in the constitution was that of electing an executive committee of five to conduct the business of the parish, instead of three trustees, as formerly.

The new executive committee was elected as follows: W. G. Reynolds, Dr. F. M. Lynde, Henry C. Whitaker, Homer C. Ladd and Fred C. Enton. The committee elects its own chairman and appoints a collector for the parish. Charles C. Kenyon was elected treasurer and F. T. Cutler and Harry W. Whitcomb, auditors.

The pastor, Rev. Edward C. Downey, gave an excellent report of the past year's work, which, he said, had been very encouraging, and he looked for even greater activity in the coming year. He reported that 17 new members were taken into the church during the year, and 34 families had been added to the parish during the year. Fourteen children had been christened in the church and others had been christened at the parsonage.

The annual meeting of the Congregational society was held New Year's day in the church. There was a good attendance and an interesting meeting. Encouraging reports were presented from all departments of the church work. The total membership at the present time is 610 a net gain of 21 for the year. The financial report was also very satisfactory. An interesting feature of the meeting was the reading of a telegram from Rev. F. A. Poole. Dinner was served in the church dining-room by the ladies, of which a goodly number of the parish partook. The officers elected were as follows: moderator, William Marr; clerk, C. S. Wallace; deacon for six years, John McDonald; member of business committee for three years, O. D. Methewson; treasurer, Frank McWhorter; superintendent of Sunday school, H. G. Woodruff; collector, Elon Barrett; assistant, J. C. Griggs.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Miss Ruth V. Hovey, a teacher in the Mathewson school, was detained at her home in Canaan by the illness of her mother, and her position in the public schools, which opened to-day, is filled by a substitute.

C. S. Cushman went to St. Johnsbury this morning on a business trip.

Miss Florence Votey returned to her home in Burlington to-day, after spending Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. D. S. Waterman of Washington street.

The Good Templars will hold a social Wednesday evening with Miss Hattie Minard on Elm street. Admission 10c, refreshments free.

Roach Brothers have workmen engaged in removing the front which they placed in the Campbell block when it was opened as a moving picture house. They discontinued it as a picture show several months ago. The front will be replaced as it was before they hired the place.

LUMPERS OUT AT BETHEL

Ask for a Nine-hour Day in New Bill

ABOUT TWENTY MEN OUT

Union Is New One and This Is Its First Demand—Secretary P. F. McCarthy on the Ground and Settlement Is Expected.

Bethel, Jan. 3.—The lumpers, boxers and derrickmen of this place, about 20 in number, are out on strike, because their demand for a nine-hour day beginning January 1 has not been granted. The union here is less than a year old, and this is its first demand for a bill. Its demands were refused by the employers. International Secretary P. F. McCarthy came here from Barre to-day, and it is expected a settlement will be effected before night.

MATTERS AT A STANDSTILL.

After Last Week's Efforts to Secure a Settlement, Both Sides Rest.

After the strenuous efforts of both sides to effect a settlement of the labor difficulties at Northfield last week, both sides seem to be taking a rest. While the two committees were practically agreed on all but one regulation when they adjourned Friday night, this one stumbling block seemed to be one neither side could get over. No further conferences were arranged when the two committees adjourned, and none has been arranged since then.

Notice.

Members of Barre branch, G. C. I. A., who have not received their lockout pay for any part of the five weeks ending December 27 are requested to apply to the treasurer or send an order for the the same to James McAdam, Treasurer.

Wm. W. Russell,
Secretary, Lockout Committee.

Agli Operai Onesti.

Al recente attacco della Cronaca Sovversiva rispondo che tanta importanza e nobili scopi ha l'attuale agitazione operaia per credere ch'io possa prestarmi ai loro intrighi di retrosceena provocando così la discordia tra gli operai a totale vantaggio della parte avversa.

I fautori, gli scusati, di loschi intrighi senza mai aver tentato una onorevole difesa, non possono in alcun modo essere presi in seria considerazione.

Si rivolgono gli editori di quel giornale al loro corr. locale Vincenzo Giudici per ricordargli l'atto di scioglimento del 16 Maggio 1906 della P. Bruss & Co.

Andrew Bernasconi.
Northfield, Vt., Dec. 31, 1909.

COLLEGE BOYS' GLEES

Pleased a Large Audience at Seminary Chapel Saturday Night.

The Tufts College Glee and Mandolin clubs gave an excellent concert in the chapel at Goddard seminary Saturday evening and kept the audience, which filled the chapel, in the highest pitch of enthusiasm for nearly two hours. The boys were forced to double their program to satisfy the plaudits of the audience, and although they rendered, all told, 25 selections, they were apparently not then at the end of their repertoire.

The entire program was rendered without a slip and with a snap and a finish that was not in the least amateurish. There were 23 voices in the glee club, led by W. L. Wales, who sang the solo parts in a pleasing bass voice. They had something new and catchy in nearly every selection, and had the audience guessing what was coming next. The mandolin club was composed of 13 pieces, eight mandolins, two violins, a guitar, cello and flute. The ensemble numbers of the glee and mandolin clubs combined were special features of the program, and the work of the reader, F. A. Wilmot, was received with enthusiasm.

At the close of the concert, a dance was held in the chapel in honor of the club. As the club remained at the seminary over Sunday, they gave an informal concert in the chapel at four o'clock Sunday afternoon, which was enjoyed by the school, and many from the city were present.

The club went to St. Johnsbury this afternoon, and Tuesday evening they appear at Hardwick, and Wednesday night they give a joint concert with the university of Vermont Glee club in Burlington. From Burlington, they return to Medford.

At the young people's meeting at the seminary last evening, three members of the college clubs gave musical numbers on the violin, cello and flute, and Mr. Wales sang.

GRANITE COMPANY REINSTATED.

Kirby Mountain Company Gets Its Charter Again.

A decree has just been filed in the office of the commissioner of state taxes, J. E. Cushman, reinstating in the status of a corporation the Kirby Mountain Granite company, whose principle office is located in St. Johnsbury.

The company lost its charter last spring for non-payment of the annual corporation license tax. The non-payment was the result of an oversight and the court of chancery of Caledonia county has, on petition of E. O. Lake of Boston, one of the stockholders, reinstated the company upon the ground that it did not intend to forfeit its corporate existence and that its dissolution was the result of a mistake. The state did not oppose the relief asked for by the petitioner.