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

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copies, the largest circulation of any daily paper in Vermont outside of Burlington.

Bang! Bang! Indeed, Vermont's bang-up time has come.

King Ferdinand of Bulgaria is not so soft as his name sounds.

The House of Commons showed itself to be quite common by the scenes of Wednesday.

Congressman "Nick" Longworth felt the father-in-law's spear—to the extent of losing re-election.

One thousand Maine deer have been killed this season. Watch Vermont beat that record without half trying.

Coming into \$75,000,000 to-day, Vincent Astor really is unfortunate. It is apt to be a millstone on his mental ambitions.

Cy Warman, the Grand Trunk joke-smith, will have to spring a pretty good one to make the people laugh just at present.

Gov. Fletcher is to be commended for the brevity of his Thanksgiving day proclamation. We can hear a sermon on that day if we care to go to church.

Why doesn't someone introduce a ten-dollar bill in the House just for the change?—St. Albans Messenger.

We move to amend by substituting "in the pocket" for "in the House."

In announcing they are going to put out 600,000 automobiles next season, American manufacturers haven't reckoned on how much they are going to put out the purchasers.

President-elect Wilson's statement that he has studied the tariff question all his life is tantamount to saying that he knows all there is to know about the tariff. That being the case, why worry?

When states are called upon to surrender charter rights for the building of private railroad systems they have a right to protest when it becomes apparent that they were mere pawns in a railroad game.

The score is even; first Harvard announces Brickley has strained a tendon, and then Dartmouth comes back with the announcement that halfback Morey may not play to-morrow. This football on paper is a lively scrumgame.

"The future of Roosevelt," they are talking about. Leave that to your Uncle Theodore, for whatever plans you may make he will turn them topsy-turvy. It is the most foolish interference to endeavor to blaze a way for this versatile man.

Everything considered, the Prohibition party of Vermont has about as much reason for rejoicing over the returns as any party, as Eugene W. Chafin received nearly fifty per cent. more votes this year than he received four years ago while running on the same ticket. This year he received 1,155, to 802 in the previous election.

Coming from a Democratic source, the following praise for President Taft from Harper's Weekly, the journal which picked the next president, is worth something to the executive who is about to retire:

All honor and praise, gentlemen, to William Howard Taft, true to his country and to his conscience, faithful in all things, soon to become the first citizen of America!

The words are prophetic of the position which the country eventually will take concerning President Taft.

ONE SOLUTION OFFERED.

The solution of New England's railroad troubles, according to the New York Globe, lies not in competition, but in control. This is the contemporary's conclusion: "What New England needs is a joint commission of the six states to keep the New Haven railroad in order. No one state is able to do it alone, and the question is not altogether a national one. New England needs this confederation as much as she needed the confederation to fight the Pequots." Admitting that supervision by government would be a splendid thing, all New England hopes the time will never come when there will be only one railroad.

REVOLVERS IN HANDS OF INCOMPETENTS.

The young woman, who killed her mother in a Pennsylvania train the other night, mistaking her for a burglar, told later that she was accustomed to the use of a revolver and that it was her habit to keep a weapon of that sort under the pillow. Why, it was nothing for her to handle the deadly weapon, she explained, only she got nervous in this case, being awakened suddenly, and



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VIGOROUS DISCUSSION OVER VACCINATION

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der compulsory vaccination and a corresponding decrease in the death rate where no attempt had been made at vaccination. He referred to tetanus as following many cases of vaccination and cited Burlington's epidemic of smallpox 16 years ago in this respect, when three deaths were the result. He argued that in the city of Montpelier the sickness and annoyance from vaccination by reason of the recent smallpox scare in Barre had resulted in a greater damage financially and otherwise than the disease had caused in Barre. He said that he was not antagonistic to vaccination, but to the compulsory law which the state board of health is advocating. Dr. Templeton read many quotations from eminent authorities to substantiate his claim that sanitation rather than vaccination would abate smallpox and cited cases to uphold his contention.

Attorney J. W. Redmond of Newbury spoke against the bill and argued that if the question of whether or not vaccination was a preventive for smallpox was debatable, then the state has no right to enact a compulsory law. He said that there are many people in the state who are against vaccination on religious principles and that it would be intolerant for the state to insist that their people and their children submit to vaccination at the mandate of the state board of health. He argued that the proponents of the bill must convince the committee that the question was not debatable if the committee is to report the bill favorably. In closing his remarks Mr. Redmond said: "I want to make a dent into you on that question." He was loudly applauded.

Rev. John W. Barnett of Barre spoke in opposition to the bill and claimed that such a law would be unconstitutional. He argued that such a measure would deprive one of the personal liberties guaranteed under the constitution of the United States.

Attorney Alexander Dunnett of St. Johnsbury spoke in favor of the bill and quoted from the federal law reports to show that the state has a right to enact a compulsory vaccination law. He criticized the statement made by the Barre clergyman that the proposed law restricts personal liberty and said that there is no such thing as absolute liberty in this country and that all law is in restraint of liberty to a certain extent. There is a justification for law and consequently a restraint of liberty if one wishes to so construe law. Replying to Mr. Redmond, he said that there is no law upon the statute books which is not defensible.

Dr. C. F. Dalton of the state board of health cited statistics in this country to show a decline in mortality from smallpox where vaccination is practiced and referred to the stringent supervision exercised by the federal government over the manufacture of vaccine. As the hour was late, he did not attempt to present many figures in support of his claim, but said that physicians acknowledge that vaccination is a preventive of the disease and he urged that the vaccination of infants, as is the law in Germany, would result in lessening the danger in case of epidemic.

Many Barre and Montpelier people were present and practically all of the physicians of the legislature and of the cities of Montpelier and Barre listened to the arguments for and against the bill. The committee will hold another public hearing on the bill Wednesday evening of next week.

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Early in the fourteenth century, spectacles were mentioned in the writings of Bernard de Gordon, Arnold of Villanova and Guy de Chauliac, and they were afterward figured in the pictures and public documents of the period, such as Jan van Eyck's Madonna at Burges, Martin Schongauer's engraving of the Death of Mary, the decorations of the altar of St. Jacob's church at Rothenburg an der Tauber or the drawings in a Ratisbon manuscript of 1698, now in the Germanic museum at Nuremberg. All these indicate huge circular lenses mounted in rings of black horn leather, united by a short leather band and fastened by another band passing around the head, the lognette and pince-nez patterns with metal mounts appearing later.

Prof. R. Greeff of Berlin, after a long search in different museums and collections has at length found the earliest known specimens of the old leather-mounted type of the sixteenth century. These are now to be seen in the Pirkeheimer room in the Wartburg (near Eisenach, Thuringia), and were discovered behind the wooden wainscoting of Willibald Pirkeheimer's spectacles consist of eight pairs, the lenses mostly sprung or broken, and clouded through some changes in the glass. The eyeglasses of this period were called "nose riders" because they straddled the nose and had to be supported by the hand from the side or above when used for reading. They were very expensive, says The Journal of the American Medical Association, costing from \$45 to \$75 a pair, and must have been a costly luxury for even a wealthy Nuremberg patrician of the sixteenth century.

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