

IN BARRE

The Evidence Is Supplied by Local Testimony.

If the reader wants stronger proof that the following statement and experience of a resident of Barre, what can it be? Mrs. N. M. Nelson, 20 Merchant street, Barre, Vt., says: "Doan's Kidney Pills, procured at Drown's drug store, benefited me so greatly that I consider them a very reliable preparation. A severe attack of the grippe had left my kidneys in a weakened condition, and instead of getting better I became worse. The slightest housework tired me, and if I were on my feet for an hour or so, sharp pains across my back would compel me to stop and rest. I paid over one hundred dollars for doctors' bills and medicine, but got no relief, and finally became discouraged. Doan's Kidney Pills were then brought to my attention and I used them. They removed the trouble and since then I have never been without a supply on hand. I have never ceased to recommend Doan's Kidney Pills to my friends and acquaintances."

NORWICH UNIVERSITY.

A. R. Cram, '12, of Williamstown, visited at the Commons club Sunday. David P. Gullow, ex-'12, of Pittsburg, Mass., spent the week-end at the Theta Chi house. The Glee club, mandolin club, band and orchestra, gave their home concert in the armory on Wednesday evening. They were greeted by a good sized audience, who enjoyed dancing after the concert. The clubs will give a concert in Waterbury Jan. 31. A number of cadets, having finished their examinations, have been spending a few days at their respective homes before the beginning of the second semester, Tuesday night at retreat. The baseball game, scheduled with U. V. M. on May 15 has been cancelled by Norwich because of Vermont's refusal to play N. U. in football on neutral ground last fall. Dana H. Gilman, '06, of Brattleboro is in town recently on his return from the officers' school at Waterbury. Capt. Frank Tompkins, 11th Cav., U. S. A., commandant of cadets, has been ordered to Fort Ethan Allen to take examinations for promotion.

WEST BERLIN.

Mrs. George Pearson is still quite feeble. Miss Anna P. Davis spent Sunday in Northfield. Mrs. M. M. Stiles is reported a little more comfortable. The two school teachers in this place, Miss Kimball and Miss Hurley, spent Sunday in Montpelier. George Chandler of Barre spent Sunday with his wife, who is staying with her sister, Mrs. M. E. Glines. Mrs. M. E. Glines returned from Heaton hospital to her home last Thursday. All her friends are glad to see her home again. Rev. Joseph Hamilton, pastor of the M. E. church here, and W. A. Cooper attended the evangelistic convention in Montpelier last week. The ladies' aid will give an oyster supper in their hall Wednesday evening. Cake, coffee and rolls will also be served. Supper from 6 to 8. Frank Robinson of Burlington visited his parents, ... and Mrs. C. H. Robinson, over Sunday.

SOUTH BARRE.

William Stacy of the City spent Sunday at the home of Mr. Barney. Mr. Paine of Montpelier spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Roben. Melbourn Lewis visited his sister, Miss Fleeta Lewis, of Williamstown, over Sunday. M. D. Lewis, who is visiting friends and relatives at Gorham, N. H., is expected home this week. Warren Nye, the weather prophet, says we will have no sleighing to speak of until the 10th of February. Lumbermen in this vicinity are getting discouraged because of the lack of snow for sledding.

RANDOLPH CENTER.

Albert Jordan has moved into William Cooley's house. John Taggart, mail carrier on route three, is confined to the house with a cold. Ernest Bover is again at work in A. C. Wells' store, after being sick for three weeks. Charles Miles has sold his farm to W. N. Bannister of New Hampshire. William Cooper, who moved to Brookfield last spring is under the doctor's care.

RANDOLPH.

W. W. Bean, who went to Tunbridge last week on business and was there taken ill, was brought here on Monday by his son, Lewis Bean, of Springfield, Mass., and is now at the home of his sister, Mrs. L. T. Sparhawk, where he seems to be gaining. The regular monthly meeting of the King's Daughters was held at the home of Mrs. A. B. Gay on Tuesday afternoon, when, in addition to the regular business, it was arranged to send out some supplies a little later to several whose lives would be brightened by these gifts. The family of W. O. Morrill, who are now in quarantine for scarlet fever, are quite ill. The daughter, Ruth Morrill, who came from Lyndonville, for a week's vacation and was taken ill with the epidemic, is better, but the son, Everett, who was the first case, is yet ill, and the mother, Mrs. Morrill, is quite sick with the same disease. Mrs. Avis Dow and daughter, who have been in Montpelier for ten days with friends, returned on Tuesday. Miss Maud Johnston gave a very pleasant party Monday evening at the home of her sister, Mrs. W. F. Edson, to which she invited 35 guests, young lady friends of hers. The affair took the form of a masquerade party and some very pretty costumes were shown, among which were those of Miss Gail Lamson, who represented a sun flower, Miss Helen Gould and Mr. Shepard, a bride and groom, the goldstut twins and an old man, all of whom were interesting and at the unmasking, gave some surprises. A grand march and games were the order of the evening till near the close, when those present were served ice cream and cake.

There will be an educational meeting in the new high school building on Friday, January 31, at which all the union district teachers are expected to be present. Supt. H. W. Lewis, who has arranged for this meeting, will be in charge.

There was an attendance of about 150 at the meeting of the Christian brotherhood on Monday night in the parish house. Following the usual dinner, an address was given by Prof. Raymond McFarland of Middlebury college, who took for his subject, "The Making of a Man." The address was greatly enjoyed by the audience and the speaker held the close attention of the audience. The brotherhood will observe ladies' night in about three weeks, in the parish house.

The funeral of Mr. Grow, an uncle of Mrs. L. A. Russlow, was held in East Randolph on Wednesday.

Mrs. DeWitt Webb and her daughter, Wanda, who have been with Mrs. W. W. Morton for the last few days, left here on Wednesday for their home in Boston.

Fern Rebekah lodge, at its meeting on Tuesday evening, received several applications for membership and the committees for the year were appointed.

William Mann, who has been suffering from the infirmities of age and its troubles for several months, is now failing, and his son, George Mann of Quechee, has been summoned.

The play given on Tuesday night by the local company in music hall for the benefit of the sanatorium aid was a success financially and otherwise and it is hoped that the net proceeds will amount to about \$60. This will be devoted to the expenses of the free bed in the sanatorium.

On February 7 a hall will be held in DuBois & Gay's hall with McNeely's singing orchestra of eight pieces to furnish music. The proceeds will go to the athletic field association and the money will be used in fitting up the ground for use the coming spring.

W. J. Sharron will come to Randolph the middle of February and will take possession of the G. H. Slack farm about the first of March, which he has leased for the coming year.

WAITS RIVER.

Born to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Andross, a daughter, Jan. 21.

The supper in the hall last Tuesday night was well attended.

Rev. T. M. Kingsley of Montpelier occupied the pulpit last Sunday.

Royal Downing had the misfortune to cut off part of his forefinger on his left hand recently.

Rev. Felix Powell of Berlin, N. H., will be present to hold special services Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday night in the church and on Friday evening will give his noted lecture, "From the Ditch to the Pulpit." Come everybody and hear this noted man. Bring your friends with you.

MONTPELIER.

Mildred St. John Dead After Long Illness With Typhoid Fever and Shock.

The first rehearsal of the Montpelier choral union in preparation for the music festival will be held next Tuesday evening.

Mildred C., ten-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George St. John, died Monday night after an illness of fifteen weeks with typhoid fever, followed by a paralytic shock which paralyzed one side of her body, and leakage of the heart hastened her death. The funeral will be held to-morrow morning at 9 o'clock from St. Augustine's church.

MONTPELIER.

Mrs. Burt Nelson Has Severe Case of Smallpox.

The city council held a special meeting last evening to close up the business for the year and after all the bills outstanding were paid there was a balance of \$698.98 in the treasury. The amounts paid different departments were: Streets, \$401.90; water department, \$208.75; city attorney, for the year past, \$530; care of poor, \$407.43. The bills noted last night totaled \$2,848.34, which includes all the bills of the year, except \$5 salary due Paint Commissioner James Holt. The clerk was instructed to replace \$1,088 in the sinking fund. The bids for printing the city report were opened, but no action was taken. The Argus bid \$17.22 per page, 100 cloth bindings, 22 cents each; 12 leather bindings, \$16. The Capital City Press bid \$1.85 a page, 100 cloth bindings \$21.50, 17 leather bindings \$15. The Argus' bids on 50 small cards was \$3; on 50 large cards, \$7; on 50 lists of candidates, \$3. The Capital City Press' bids on the same were respectively \$4, 88 and \$2.50.

George Whelan of this city and Miss Ruby Davies of Coaticook, Que., were married yesterday morning at the latter place. Mrs. Whelan is a graduate of the Heaton hospital training school for nurses and Mr. Whelan is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Whelan, and is employed in the postoffice. They are now on a two week's trip to New York and upon their return will live in Montpelier.

Arthur Thompson is under arrest here at request of Attleboro, Mass., officers, on the charge of larceny. He will remain in jail here until they come from Attleboro to take him there. His age is about 18 years.

Dr. William Lindsay, city health officer, reports a severe case of smallpox in this city, the victim being Mrs. Burt Nelson of upper Main street. The woman had the disease two days before the doctor was called, and she was at once isolated and a rigid quarantine established. The case came from a man who was in town a few weeks ago and it is expected other cases may follow from the same source. Free vaccination will be given here.

WILLIAMSTOWN.

A late issue of The Recorder, published at Greenfield, Mass., brings to notice the resignation of a townsman, Rev. Cary H. Watson, from the pastorate of the First Congregational church of that city, where he has served faithfully since 1890, a period of 23 years. Mr. Watson first tendered his resignation two years ago but found his parish so unwilling to accept it that he consented to continue the relation for a time and now feels that on account of the continued ill health of his wife, that he can no longer remain in active service and the church has accepted his resignation. Just at present the condition of Mrs. Watson is considerably improved. Guy E. Martin, trustee in the case of William O. Martin, has just mailed checks in payment of the last dividend to the creditors.

At the time of the Methodist fair last fall two white aprons were left in the dining room. The owner can get them by calling at T. D. Poland's.

About 25 of our young people met at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Canning on the evening of the 25th inst. in honor of the 17th birthday of Miss Ethel Gordon. The evening was very pleasantly spent with music, games and refreshments. Miss Gordon is the recipient of several presents in token of the goodwill of her friends.

Nearly fifty couples attended the annual Masonic ball at grange hall last evening. Riley's orchestra of Barre furnished music and the supper was provided by the ladies of the Eastern Star.

Henry C. House has been quite ill for a few days but is now better. Mrs. A. E. House and Mrs. Myra Blanchard have also been on the sick list.

Frank F. Northrop, the new owner of the Frank Hoyt farm on Baptist street, has arrived in town with his family and Mr. Hoyt is moving to the village.

MARSHFIELD.

Ticket Selling Contest Concluded with Banquet Given by Defeated Side.

Two sides, the A's and B's, took part in the late ticket selling contest for the lyceum course and the defeated B's gave a "buzz and banquet" to the A's. It was a great success and one of the pleasant social events in the history of the society. Messrs. C. M. Lilley and C. E. Shepard could not be present. Mrs. C. E. barge and when all had gathered it was found the attendance was about fifty. The reception committee consisted of Mrs. C. H. Chapin, Mrs. H. S. Carver and Mrs. A. T. Davis. The parlors were decorated with placards, the work of Postmaster Davis. One of the nicest features of the affair was the fact that so many of the senior members of the society were present, some of whom rarely attend any social functions, but all of whom entered into the spirit of the hour with zest. At five o'clock the guests were seated at two long tables, where the committee in charge, consisting of Mrs. B. W. Davis, Mrs. Flora Bliss, Mrs. E. A. Thomas and Miss Carter, Beekley, to serve, and Mrs. D. S. Hall, Mrs. A. T. Davis, Mrs. Lizzie Robinson and Mrs. Lizzie Robinson and Mrs. C. H. Chapin, to pour, had prepared a dainty and sumptuous banquet. At each plate was a souvenir place card, made by the program committee, Mrs. D. S. Hall, Mrs. E. C. Pitkin and Mrs. V. B. Hudson. The menu included: Biscuit and butter, beef, buttered cake, brown cake, brambles, bees' extract, beverages.

So well were the A's pleased with the efforts of the B's in serving the banquet, that at the suggestion of Mrs. S. A. Swerdfeiger a rising vote of thanks was given them, followed by three cheers for them and the gentlemen who had assisted. Thanks were also expressed to the vice president, Mrs. C. M. Willey, and her able assistants.

WATERBURY.

Mrs. C. C. Warren, Mrs. George W. Morse, Mrs. F. E. Atkins, Mrs. T. L. Knight and Mrs. E. E. Campbell attended the meeting of Marquis de Lafayette chapter, D. A. R., in Montpelier Saturday.

Harold S. Atkins has been engaged to play the violin for the dances at the Vermont state hospital for the insane. Mrs. William Tyler was taken to the Heaton hospital Monday.

Two men, Frank Rogers and Mr. May, were slightly injured at the mile marker Saturday by a tripped falling over and striking them.

Samuel Somerville had his toes badly out at the S. C. Wheeler mill when he attempted to push a board through the planer with his foot.

The condition of J. T. Shipman is somewhat improved.

Rev. W. L. Bojart read a carefully prepared paper on "Moderatism" at the ministers' union in Montpelier Monday; the village cemetery.

PLAINFIELD.

Death of Isaac Austin Occurred Tuesday, Funeral To-day.

Isaac Austin died Tuesday morning at his home on High street. Mr. Austin was seventy-six years of age and had been ill with hardening of the arteries for about a year. He was well known in this and the surrounding towns, having spent nearly all his life in Plainfield. Mr. Austin was a carpenter by trade, and though for the past few years nearly blind, made many useful articles. The deceased is survived by a wife, who was formerly Miss Mary Johnson of Hardwick, two sisters, Mrs. Ruth Woodcock of this town and Mrs. Bettie Wheelock of Calais, also two brothers, Hector Austin of Marshfield and Willard Austin of Calais. The funeral services were held at 1 o'clock this afternoon at the Congregational church, Rev. A. W. Hewitt officiating. Interment will be at the village cemetery.

GROTON.

Miss Bertha Jordan returned Monday from a two weeks' stay at St. Johnsbury.

Miss Anna Eastman, a trained nurse, is caring for Mrs. A. M. Heath.

A. E. Kendrick was with his family here over Sunday.

Mrs. R. N. Darling and daughter, Evalona, of Bradford, were in town Tuesday and Wednesday.

Henry Darling of Marshfield was an over-Sunday visitor in town.

Mrs. R. A. Davidson has been seriously ill for several days.

Mrs. Peck of Marshfield was in town this week.

One candidate was received into membership at the regular meeting of Pythian Sisters. Refreshments of sandwiches, cake and coffee were served and the social hour was enjoyed by the goodly number present.

Mr. and Mrs. John Benzi have been suffering the past week from a severe attack of gripe.

A large number took advantage of the special train to Wells River Saturday evening and witnessed the basketball game between the Caledonians of South Ryegate and the fast Laconia five.

Mrs. T. S. Eastman of Topsham is at the home of her son, Roger, for a few days, caring for his wife, who is ill.

R. A. Davidson shipped a carload of stock from this station on Saturday, and W. C. Chamberlain two carloads on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Clark of Hardwick are visiting relatives here this week.

A meeting of the Groton Telephone company was held Monday afternoon and the following officers were elected: President, Thomas B. Hall; vice-president and manager, John F. Hatch; secretary, M. D. Coffin; treasurer, F. M. Page; assistant manager and collector, M. D. Coffin.

Representative T. F. Clark returned to Montpelier Monday morning. Mrs. Clark went Monday evening to attend the Elks' ball.

Mrs. A. M. Heath is ill with an attack of pneumonia. Dr. H. H. Lee of Wells River was called Monday afternoon in consultation with Dr. I. N. Eastman on the case.

The friends of Mrs. Emma J. Clark, who is passing the winter in Pasadena, Cal., will be interested to learn that she is recovering from a severe attack of the grippe and threatened pneumonia.

CORINTH.

Harry Comstock has taken the telephone switch at South Corinth and has moved into the tenement over B. E. Slack.

Mrs. Foster I. Sargent, who has been caring for her granddaughter, Rena Eastman, has returned home.

Julian Eaton was moved to his father's farm at the Corner. Mrs. Eaton has been the faithful telephone operator for the past year.

Henry Metcalf is on the gain. Leroy Judd is visiting his aunt in West Fairlee.

Kimball Moulton is busy with his sawing machine.

Henry Meade has recently purchased a pair of fine western horses.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Dickinson were in Post Mills recently.

Many friends were saddened to hear of the death of Jack Butterfield at his home in East Corinth, after only a few days' illness with pneumonia. He leaves a mother and two sisters to mourn his loss. He will be greatly missed. Burial at East Corinth.

Quite a crowd from the green attended the masquerade ball at Vershire Friday evening.

A son was born Friday to Mr. and Mrs. "Dick" Sleeper. Mrs. Katie (Sleeper) Moore is caring for Mrs. Sleeper.

Edson Magoon of Barre Plains, Mass., was in town last week.

Julian Eaton will be a dance at Cookville hall Friday evening, Jan. 31. Music by Wallace Chalmers and Carroll Childs. Bills, 50c. Everyone invited.

The members of the Order of the Eastern Star met last Saturday evening and elected the officers for the ensuing year. Installation will be in February.

Mrs. Rowland Blake is not so well at this writing. Jennie Orr of Chelsea is caring for her.

MORETOWN.

W. H. Child was in Montpelier Monday.

Thomas Nerney of Grantville was a guest of his brother, P. F. Nerney, over Sunday.

W. L. Wilcox, Miss Ethel Child and Miss Irene Child were in Waterbury Saturday evening to attend the lecture given by Julius Caesar Naypbe.

Miss Whitney returned Monday from a few days' stay at her home in Cambridge.

Supt. R. W. Palmer of Waterbury was in town Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Sawyer, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Fisher and Miss Bessie Brice were in Montpelier Monday to attend the funeral of Osman Smith.

Mrs. P. F. Nerney is visiting relatives in Northfield.

Mrs. J. O. Haskins of Montpelier visited her father, F. D. Griffith, Sunday.

Mrs. R. E. Griffith spent Sunday night and Monday with relatives in Montpelier.

Mrs. H. O. Ward was a guest of relatives in Burlington several days recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Poland of Waitsfield visited at L. J. Russell's Thursday.

Noel Alger and grandson, Haskel Alger, of Bristol, spent several days last week at the homes of Charles and Earl Alger.

Mrs. Martha Lincoln of Hazardville, Conn., is spending the winter at Aaron Goss.

Mrs. A. E. Lovejoy has been quite ill the past week with gripe and neuralgia of the heart.

Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Russell were guests at the home of their son, L. R. Russell, in Montpelier Saturday and Sunday.

TENNEY SERVICE FOR BARRE

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The root of the mandrake was supposed to be in the form of the human figure, and to cause insanity and sometimes death, as evidenced by this, the oldest written song in existence.

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Shakespeare, in "Romeo and Juliet" has Juliet exclaim: And shrieks like mandrake torn out of the earth,

That living mortals hearing them ran mad.

"The shrieks of the mandrake were so horrible," says one writer, "that it was customary in gathering the plant, not only to employ a dog but to stuff tow in the ears."

Where the sad mandrake grows, Whose groans are dreadful—Suburban Life for February.

Mosquitoes in January.

The following is taken from the January Woman's Home Companion:

"This sounds incredible, but I have again and again found mosquitoes in the cellar this month. Finally I discovered where their breeding place was in the cellar. Where the water pipe which supplied the house with water from the street entered the cellar from beneath the cement floor, the floor was invariably damp. This was caused by the cold water in the pipe 'sweating' the outside of the pipe, and it is a very common bit of natural phenomena, and every householder has observed exactly the same thing when a pitcher of cold water is placed in a warm room.

"The moist floor of the cellar was a fine place for the mosquitoes to breed in, and we had plenty until the matter could be remedied. The mosquitoes found their way up to the bedrooms, to the astonishment of the occupants of the house, who could not understand how they could 'get in' in such numbers in a well screened house.

"Of course the mosquitoes did not come out in the winter time, for the weather outside made it too cold for them to fly about much, but I now understand why they came in such numbers in the summer time. I dare say

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