

GERMAN FLEET MADE ATTACK

Bombarded Yarmouth, England, for Five Minutes Last Night

THIRTEEN CASUALTIES AMONG POPULATION

About 20 Shells Landed in the Town—Material Damage Is Not Serious

London, Jan. 15.—An official announcement today says that Yarmouth was bombarded from the sea last night for five minutes, some twenty shells falling into the town. The latest police reports state that three persons were killed and ten injured, while the material damage was not serious.

38 TIMES VICTOR. KILLED BY A FALL

Vice Sergeant Max Muller, One of Germany's Most Successful Airmen, Became Victim of Engine Defect.

Amsterdam, Jan. 15.—The death of Vice Sergeant Max Muller, one of the most successful German airmen, is reported in a Munich dispatch to a Berlin paper. He was killed in a fall resulting from an engine defect. He claimed 38 victories in aerial engagements.

SINN FEINERS WILL CALL ASSEMBLY

If the Irish Nationalist Members of Parliament Do Not Resign as Demanded of Them.

London, Jan. 15.—A Dublin dispatch to the Daily Chronicle says the Sinn Fein executives will shortly demand that the Irish Nationalist members of Parliament resign. If the members refuse, they propose to establish in Dublin what they call a national assembly.

VON HERTLING TO RESIGN?

German Imperial Chancellor Is Said to Be Ill.

London, Jan. 15.—According to telegrams from Berlin yesterday, Count Von Hertling, the German imperial chancellor, is ill and will probably resign shortly, says an Exchange Telegraph dispatch from Amsterdam.

Some ten days ago there was a similar report from Berlin, where the statement that Count Von Hertling was indisposed was coupled with a rumor in political circles that there was an intrigue in progress to induce him to resign on the ground of ill health in order to make way for Prince Von Buelow as occupant of the chancellorship. Chancellor Von Hertling shortly afterward, however, appeared before the Reichstag main committee to make a statement regarding the negotiations with Russia and it has been stated in Berlin advices that he would again appear before the Reichstag this week to reply to Premier Lloyd George and President Wilson.

FRANCE IS LOANING TO UKRAINE GOVT.

Has Turned Over 2,000,000 Rubles in Gold and Is Now Printing Large Quantity of Ukraine Paper Money.

London, Jan. 15.—A dispatch to The Times from Moscow says that France has loaned the Ukraine 2,000,000 rubles in gold, and the French mint has printed large quantity of Ukraine paper money.

"GOD'S WILL BE DONE" WERE HIS LAST WORDS

Frederick L. Small Was Hanged at Concord, N. H., This Morning for Murdering His Wife at Ossipee.

Concord, N. H., Jan. 15.—Frederick A. Small, a former Boston broker, was hanged at the state prison at 12:18 this morning for the murder of his wife, Florence Arleen Small, at their home in Ossipee, in September, 1916. "I am resigned. God's will be done," Small was escorted into the death chamber by his spiritual adviser, but not a word was said in the chamber. Before the trap was sprung all the lights were turned out and Small went to his death in the darkness. Mrs. Small's body was found in the cellar of Small's cottage on the shore of Lake Ossipee after the building had been destroyed by fire. Small had gone to Boston a few hours before the blaze was discovered. The theory advanced by the prosecution at the trial was that he had killed his wife to obtain \$20,000 on a joint insurance policy which he and his wife had taken out a short time before and that he had arranged a mechanical device to set the house after his departure. Incineration of the body was prevented by its falling into a pool of water in the cellar and an autopsy disclosed marks of violence.

NEW ARCTIC ISLANDS FOUND BY STEFANSEN

Fairbanks, Alaska, Jan. 15.—Several new Arctic islands have been discovered northwest of Banks Land by Vilhjalmur Stefansson, the Arctic explorer, according to Captain A. Lauge, who arrived last night from the Arctic. The explorer claimed the new lands for Canada.

AMERICAN TROOPS IN GOOD SPIRITS

Secretary Baker Says the Preparing of Them for Serious Work Is Being Steadily Pursued.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Only minor developments at the battle fronts are recorded in the weekly review of military operations made public last night by the war department. Wintry weather is interfering with operations in Italy, France and Flanders, and in Russia the military situation is overshadowed by peace negotiations, from which the review says no conclusions can safely be drawn.

Of the American forces in France, the department announces that their preparation for the ordeal of battle is being steadily pursued, and that Gen. Pershing reports their health and fighting spirit extremely good. General improvements in health and equipment conditions in training camps at home are reported and the review says in spite of abnormal cold the camps have been adequately heated and the soldiers have had a sufficient supply of blankets for their comfort.

"On the active fronts in the west and in Italy the equilibrium of battle has been maintained," says the review. "The usual engagements so repeatedly recorded during the past weeks, which are merely every-day occurrences in the normal course of modern warfare, are continuing, involving thrusts, patrol encounters, artillery duels and disturbing fire operations of no ulterior strategic value and can have but little influence on the general situation.

"Any discussion of the military position in the west must be confined to the analysis of minor engagements which amounts to a speculative discussion as to the significance. This, in the present stage of the war, is of doubtful value. The identification of Austrian units along the western front is of interest. For some time past we have been receiving information to the effect that Austrian howitzers which had been participating in the offensive in Italy were being transported to the west.

"In Italy the enemy has been immobilized by the deep snow in the mountain zone. While information reaches us that the Austro-Germans propose to undertake simultaneous offensives in Italy and in the west, it is to be noted that within the central empire most efforts are now being made to spread broadcast the news that the Germans have fulfilled their widest objectives in the Italian theatre and that no further forward movement could be of any advantage to their interests.

SENATE MET EARLY TO TALK PRINT PAPER

Debate Was on Senator Smith's Resolution to Authorize the President to Regulate Production and Distribution.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—The Senate met two hours earlier than usual today to consider the resolution of Senator Smith of Arizona, authorizing the president to direct the federal trade commission to regulate the production and distribution of print paper during the war. The debate was limited to 10 minutes for each senator after 2 o'clock, with a final vote as soon as possible.

SWALLOWED BICHLORIDE.

But Burlington Youth Is Expected to Recover Despite Bad Mistake.

Burlington, Jan. 15.—Stewart Nelson, the 13-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. Nelson of 211 North avenue, who was looking for a stomach tablet, took a half tablet of bichloride of mercury yesterday morning. Stewart had been suffering for several days from stomach trouble and yesterday morning about 7 o'clock he went into his room to get a tablet, as he felt worse. He took what he thought was a stomach tablet and, breaking it in two, ate it. Soon afterward he became ill and called his mother. The latter, when she saw he had taken poison, sent for his father, who called Dr. J. H. Dodds. When Dr. Dodds arrived he gave the boy an emetic and got most of the poison out of his system. He had swallowed enough poison so that if prompt action had not been taken serious results would have followed. He was resting comfortably last night.

INDUSTRIES SHUT DOWN.

Forced to Suspend Because of Lack of Coal.

New York, Jan. 15.—Lack of fuel has forced 105 industrial plants throughout New York state to suspend operations without awaiting instructions from fuel administrators. It was announced here last night by Harry T. Powers, chairman of the state fuel conservation committee. Telegrams and appeals for coal from hundreds of other plants were received during the day. Mr. Powers said.

CHILD FATALLY BURNED.

Was Playing with Three Small Brothers in St. Albans Home.

St. Albans, Jan. 15.—Adele Jette, aged two years and seven months, the son of Mrs. Selma Jette, died at the St. Albans hospital this morning as the result of burns sustained yesterday afternoon while he was playing in his home with his three brothers. Wilfred, aged six; Harry, aged eight; Herbert, aged nine. The child he burned himself on the knees to the neck and probably inhaled flames. Albert Ring of New London, N. H., arrived in the city last evening and this morning enrolled at Goddard seminary. Mr. Ring comes to the high school with a fine baseball reputation and should prove a valuable acquisition to the red and white team in the coming season. A number of Barre deputies, including members of the police department, are planning to go to Rutland Thursday to attend the third annual meeting of the Vermont Sheriffs' association, which is to continue until Saturday afternoon. Among those who are to speak are: Sheriff A. A. Reed of Williamstown, head of the Orange county sheriffs' department, whose topic is "Attachment of Personal Property"; Part Being Cross Not Harvested; Warnings of Debtors; Not Known, with No Agent or Attorney and No One in Possession of Property; and Sheriff F. H. Tracy of Montpelier, "Prison Labor." The business sessions are to be held in the Rutland county courthouse.

LANSING'S NOTE CAUSED ARREST

Former Premier Caillaux of France Is Alleged to Have Intrigued

VON LUXBURG AGAIN HAULED INTO VIEW

It Is with Him That Caillaux Is Alleged to Have Tried to Sell France's Honor

Paris, Jan. 15.—The arrest yesterday of former Premier Joseph Caillaux was due principally to a cablegram from Secretary of State Lansing at Washington, saying that in 1915 Caillaux had been in communication with the Berlin foreign office. The cablegram said that the American representative at Buenos Aires had been able to establish that Caillaux, during a visit in Argentina in that year, communicated with the Berlin foreign office through Count Von Luxburg, then German minister to Argentina, with the object of concluding peace with Germany at any price so as to permit the resumption of business.

The arrest of M. Caillaux was announced in an official note which states that yesterday morning at 9 o'clock Police Commissioner Prioulet with a warrant from Capt. Bouchardon, the military investigator, arrived at 22 Alphonse De Neuville street, M. Caillaux's apartment, to arrest him. In the presence of Madame Caillaux the commissary notified the former premier of the fact of the warrant.

LANSING IS SILENT.

Will Not Say Anything About the Caillaux Affair.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Secretary Lansing today refused to affirm or deny or comment on the dispatch from Paris regarding former Premier Caillaux. There seems no doubt, however, that some such communication of Caillaux is contained in the captured Luxburg correspondence.

SHIPS MUST HAVE COAL.

Furnishing of Them Put Ahead of War Industries.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Ships transporting supplies to Europe were added by Fuel Administrator Garfield last night to the list of essentials that must be supplied with coal. They were put ahead even of war industries after reports came to the fuel administration that a million tons of shipping is held at New York for lack of bunkers.

A general plan of coal distribution designed to meet the fuel famine in the east as outlined by Dr. Garfield last night, gives preference first to householders; second, to public utilities supplying light and heat; third, to ships transporting food and war materials to the American army and to the allies; fourth, to war industries, and, fifth, to all other classes of industry.

The program will be put into force with the aid of state fuel administrators on the return to Washington of P. B. Noyes, head of the fuel administration's conservation division, who is studying the situation in New York and New England. It will apply probably to all states east of the Mississippi. Industries in the fifth class named by Dr. Garfield probably will be required to shut down until the other classes are supplied. Their supplies will be cut off and if necessary the fuel administration will requisition any coal they may have in store for distribution among the more favored classes.

DENTAL ASSISTANTS

To Aid Under the Selective Service Law in Vermont.

On the recommendation of Governor Graham, President Wilson has appointed the following members of dental boards to assist under the selective service act: District No. 1, St. Johnsbury, Dr. C. M. Richmond; No. 2, Bellows Falls, Dr. R. E. Elmer; No. 3, Montpelier, Dr. K. L. Cleaves; No. 4, St. Albans, Dr. G. O. Mitchell; No. 5, Burlington, Dr. David Manson; No. 6, Rutland, Dr. P. M. Williams. To take the place of Dr. C. H. Gorman of Bellows Falls as assistant for eye and ear examination in his district, Dr. E. T. Kidder of Woodstock has been named.

Executive officers of the local K. C. P. committee which is promoting plans for the war fund campaign to be inaugurated Jan. 20, were in touch with the state committeemen today, and definite plans were made for the rally to be held next Monday evening. Rev. Arthur C. Griffin, a former curate of St. Monica's church, will be one of the speakers and a figure of statewide prominence may be present to participate in the program. There is a possibility that the opera house will be used for the gathering. Yesterday E. J. Owens of the Washington county committee visited in Orange and Williams town to consult with people who are interested in the forthcoming canvass. The campaign in adjoining towns is being organized as rapidly as possible.

MAJOR A. P. GARDNER DIED AT CAMP WHEELER

Massachusetts Man Resigned from Congress to Give His Military Services to the Government.

Macon, Ga., Jan. 15.—Major Augustus Peabody Gardner of the 121st (Second Georgia) infantry, for many years congressman from the sixth Massachusetts district, died at the base hospital at Camp Wheeler late yesterday of pneumonia. He had been ill only a few days. Mrs. Gardner arrived Sunday from her home in Hamilton, Mass., and had been almost continuously at her husband's bedside until late yesterday, when she collapsed after the major became unconscious. Her condition was such that she was removed to her hotel, where she received the news of the death.

Major Gardner contracted a severe cold two weeks ago, when he accompanied his battalion to the rifle range, and pneumonia developed. The body will be sent to the major's former home at Hamilton, but probably not until after the arrival from Washington of Senator Lodge, father of Mrs. Gardner.

When Major Gardner resigned his seat in Congress, soon after the outbreak of the war to offer his services in the nation's fighting forces, he was commissioned a colonel, and assigned to staff duty, but several weeks ago he applied to the war department for a place in the line with reduction in rank, so that he might see actual service among the men. His request for an appointment as major in the 121st infantry was granted. Before being given that assignment, Major Gardner was adjutant of the 31st (Dixie) division at Camp Wheeler.

The former representative was popular with both the officers and men. While at camp he attended several business and club luncheons, at which he discussed war problems and urged the fullest support for President Wilson and the government.

Mayor Toole of Macon last night issued a proclamation ordering all flags on public buildings placed at half mast and requesting all business houses to lower their flags at half mast out of respect to the dead officer.

Major Gardner was the second officer to die at the Camp Wheeler hospital. The other was Major Weil of New York, head of the hospital medical department.

Boston, Jan. 15.—After a continuous service of 15 years as representative from the fifth congressional district of Massachusetts, Augustus P. Gardner resigned last year, when war was declared, to enter the United States army. For years he had fought for national preparedness, for a bigger army and a bigger navy and when this country became involved in hostilities he gave prompt and practical demonstration of his patriotism. In the Spanish-American war he served as captain and assistant adjutant-general on the staff of General James H. Wilson, and thereafter waged a determined fight in and out of Congress for the development of American military and naval forces.

Since his graduation from Harvard in 1886, Major Gardner had devoted the greater part of his time to politics. Elected to Congress in 1902 to fill a vacancy caused by the retirement of William H. Wood, he was nominated to succeed himself in each succeeding campaign and was elected by large majorities over his Democratic opponents. Only once was his political program varied, that being in 1913, when he was the Republican nominee for governor against Eugene Noble Fos. Fos was elected, but the campaign did not interrupt Gardner's term in the national House of Representatives.

NATIONAL LIFE MEETING.

An Unusually Large Attendance of Policy-Holders.

There was an unusually large attendance of policy-holders at the 68th annual meeting of the National Life Insurance company at Montpelier today. Directors for three years were elected this forenoon as follows: J. M. Conant and Dr. A. B. Bisbee of Montpelier, and Frank C. Partridge of Proctor.

In his annual message to the policy-holders, President F. A. Howland said: "Notwithstanding the adverse conditions created by the war, the company continued its normal growth along sound lines during 1917. The policy of limiting the company's investments to municipal bonds, first mortgage loans, and loans to policy-holders has been amply justified by the year's experience. The unexampled shrinkage in all values has not in the least affected the integrity of the company's securities or disturbed the regular payment of interest and principal on the company's holdings.

The new insurance pair for 1918, amounting to \$27,463,965, is the largest volume of business ever paid for in any year. The increase in insurance in force on a paid-for basis amounted to \$11,556,406, bringing the total outstanding risks to \$223,593,806.

Premiums for insurance amounted to \$7,538,494.28, an increase of \$48,126.07, or 0.64 per cent. The total business for 1917, including the business of the year, was \$2,685,489.26. The gain in ledger assets was 63.69 per cent. of the expected, duplicating the favorable experience of 1916. The interest earned on mean ledger assets was 5.07 per cent.

The approved decrease in the company's surplus is due solely to the drop in the market value of municipal bonds. The net increase in surplus on a par basis was \$245,457.48. The company in its statement adheres to market values as being in strict compliance with the Vermont statute and also the most exacting test of solvency, investing in securities of deemed it advisable to adopt the amortized or the averaged valuations allowed by insurance departments, either of which valuations would have largely increased the asset and surplus items.

NAON GOING HOME.

Argentine Ambassador Recently Resigned at Washington.

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—Ambassador Naon of Argentina, who recently placed his resignation in the hands of the Argentine foreign office, will sail for home this week. Whether he returns depends on conferences with the president and foreign minister.

ALLEGED SPY'S PAPERS SEIZED

Two Boxes of Documents Captured in a Baltimore House

THREE ARRESTS HAVE BEEN MADE

Walter Spormann, a Brother, Frederick, and Marius Asch

Baltimore, Md., Jan. 15.—Two boxes filled with documents belonging to Walter Spormann, the alleged German spy, were seized at Norfolk, were seized by the police in the room of Marius Asch, a German, here, Asch was arrested. Frederick H. C. Spormann, brother of Walter, was arrested last night.

Documents found on his person and in his rooms in Baltimore, Md., however, are declared to reveal his connection with Boy-ed and former German Ambassador Bernstorff, and to incriminate in a spy plot persons in Washington, Baltimore, and other cities. Details of the contents of the documents are withheld, but it is understood that they will lead to a number of arrests within a few days.

Spormann's activities are said to have attracted attention of naval intelligence officers many weeks ago, but his arrest was deferred until additional evidence could be gathered. Officers followed him night and day, however, the quest leading through several cities and even to at least two army camps. Frequently, according to the story, the prisoner posed as an officer of the United States.

Finally he visited the great army and navy base on Hampton Roads, but before that a young naval agent, posing as a friend of Germany, had made himself acquainted with Spormann. The officer followed him closely in Newport News and finally to the aviation field, four miles north of the city, where the arrest was made.

Documents found on the prisoner and in his rooms at Baltimore are alleged to show that Spormann began his work in the United States before the United States entered the war. In one letter from Boy-ed, there is said to have been reference to \$90,000 advanced Spormann by the chief of the German spy system in the United States.

There are reports that it has been established that Spormann came to the United States on the German submarine U-53, which visited Newport, R. I., more than a year ago and later sank a number of merchant ships off the coast. Officials, however, would not confirm this. Spormann was closely questioned by officials while confined in the jail here, but it was said that little information was gained. An effort is said to have been made to connect him with the New Year's day fire here which laid waste nearly two city blocks, but apparently without success.

The fact that naval intelligence officers were handling the case, led to the belief here that the first of Spormann's activities which came to the attention of government agents was at a naval base or station.

\$33,000 SUBSCRIBED

For Methodist Conference Claimants' Endowment.

The intensive campaign for the conference claimants' endowment fund in the Vermont Methodist conference, which was in full swing from Oct. 10 to Nov. 25, has reached to \$33,000, 26,480 of which has been paid in cash. Thirty churches, some of which are among the largest in the conference, have not yet reported, owing to other enterprises of an imperative nature, demanding immediate attention at the time when the other churches were making their canvasses.

Trinity church in Montpelier, which postponed the campaign to give the fund exclusively to the Y. M. C. A. drive for the war fund, will begin next Sunday. The pastor, Dr. Wesley G. Mead, will speak on the evolution of the pension cause and a personal canvass for the fund will be made throughout the city. Dr. Mead will be assisted by the field secretary, Rev. E. W. Sharp, and other members of the conference.

QUARRY BANK OFFICERS

Were Re-Elected at the Annual Meeting To-day.

Annual meetings of the stockholders and directors of the Quarry Savings Bank & Trust Co. were held in the banking room this forenoon. The stockholders re-elected the following directors: Ben A. Eastman, W. H. Miles, A. P. Abbott, J. M. Boutwell, E. L. Scott, H. J. Jones, H. H. Jackson, H. F. Cutler, W. G. Reynolds and B. W. Hooker. At their meeting the directors re-elected the officers who served last year, they being Ben A. Eastman as president, A. P. Abbott as vice-president, and C. M. Willey as treasurer. One of the most prosperous years in the history of the institution was indicated by the officers' reports, and the prospects for a busy year in the Quarry bank are considered promising.

TWO RECRUITS ACCEPTED.

And Three Rejected By Naval Office at Montpelier.

The naval recruiting office in Montpelier accepted two men and rejected three others today. The two accepted are D. E. Bemis of Williamstown and H. M. Gaudin of Lanesboro. Among the others A. J. Childs of Burlington failed because under weight and W. E. Freeman of Waterfield and J. J. Gonyea of Barre because of physical disability.

A LEADING HARDWICK CITIZEN.

James H. McLoud, Who Died Saturday, Was Esteemed By All.

Hardwick, Jan. 15.—The funeral of J. H. McLoud, one of the leading citizens of Hardwick for almost half a century, who died Saturday afternoon at his home on Church street, was held this afternoon from his late home, Rev. G. H. Redding of the Methodist church officiating. The large number attending the service, the beautiful flowers and the closing of many places of business testified to the esteem in which Mr. McLoud was held. His death cast a gloom over the entire community, as can be truly said of him that he had not an enemy in the world and was a friend to everyone he met. His death occurred after ten days' illness.

James Henry McLoud was born in Calais April 5, 1841, and was of good Scotch ancestry on the paternal side. He received better education than most of the farmers' sons of his time, attending the district schools of his native town, then the Orleans Liberal institute, the academy at Morrisville, the Barre academy, completing his studies at Norwich university then in Norwich. From the age of 15 years he taught school in the winter term, earning part enough to defray his college expenses. After his graduation he continued his career as a teacher in the graded schools of Oregon from 1869 to 1873, in Plainfield in 1874, and in 1875 becoming principal of Hardwick academy, a position he filled for ten years; and it was with a great deal of pride that he called to mind many Hardwick young men who have gone out into the business world. To him these young men owe a great deal of their success in life.

In 1886, Mr. McLoud entered into partnership with O. H. Marsh, under the firm name of McLoud & Marsh, and conducted a general store, now known as the corner store, for two years, when another change was made in the firm, C. M. Ide purchasing the interest of Mr. Marsh. In 1898 a stock company consisting of Mr. McLoud, L. A. Kent, F. T. Taylor and F. T. Downer, was formed, being incorporated under its present name of J. H. McLoud company. Mr. McLoud retired from the active business of this bustling firm several years ago. He was also interested in the Hardwick Land company at one time and was the means of the present fine brick building on Mill street being erected.

He was a Democrat in politics and contributed generously to churches and any other worthy objects from time to time. He was one of the organizers of the Hardwick Savings Bank & Trust company, and has been one of its directors for a great many years, hardly ever missing a meeting of this body. He was also postmaster of the town for nine years. Fraternally he was a Mason, being a member of Canton Lake Lodge, No. 87, F. & A. M., having united with it when 21 years of age and had since held every office.

He was trustee of the village for a great many years and was moderator in town meeting for years without number and was a character in this capacity. He has also been treasurer of the board of library trustees for a great many years, the library being one of his particular hobbies.

In 1876, Mr. McLoud married Ella M. Perley, daughter of Judge Perley of Hardwick. Mrs. McLoud died in 1898, and on June 12, 1900, he married Harriet Beecher Conant, a native of Greensboro, and who survives him, together with a few relatives and a host of friends all over the state and New England, who unite in extending sympathy to the sorrowing ones.

MAY ELIMINATE SOME CHURCHES

Representatives of Several Denominations in Vermont Are Confering on the Matter To-day in Burlington.

An important meeting of the leaders of the different religious denominations of the state is being held at the Y. M. C. A. building in Burlington today to discuss methods of unification in over-arched communities. Those present are Dr. Merrill of the Baptist denomination, Dr. Merrill of the Congregational, Dr. Kent of the Burlington district in the Troy Methodist conference, W. B. Dukeshire, E. W. Sharp and William Shaw of the Vermont conference.

A LUSTY SNOWSTORM

Came To-day to Add Its Part to the Winter's Rigor.

One of the lusty snowstorms which are popularly supposed to belong to the age of posterns and spinning wheels settled down over Barre today, and with a fresh coat of snow eight inches piled high early this afternoon, a blizzard still refused to be cleared. In the atmosphere nothing prevailed so thick as customers at a sugar sale, but the storm was a heavy one and the end not in sight. The snow began to fall soon after daybreak and its forenoon tendencies were all toward historic storm through which Roger Williams once ploughed his way to Rhode Island. Trains were overdue and telegraph service was not of the best. The Barre & Montpelier Traction & Power company, which dug its rolling stock out of a bad blizzard last Saturday, enjoyed open travel only two days, for the intercity schedules were all averted. Interurban cars which set out from Montpelier over the traction line in mid-afternoon did well to deliver parcels and passengers here in Barre in the noon hour. Washington street cars remained very much out of commission, and while the storm raged even the most discerning railroaders could not see relief in sight.

OFFICERS ELECTED

At the Annual Meeting of the Church of the Good Shepherd Vestry.

The annual meeting of the parish of the Church of the Good Shepherd was held last evening. Previous to the business meeting the women of the church served supper and something in the nature of a parish reunion took place. Vestrymen elected for the ensuing year are as follows: John Robins, L. R. Riskert, W. E. Gilbert, Waldron Shield, William Fowler, Charles A. Brown, Frank W. Robinson, E. P. Carter, Gerald Holmes, William Black and S. N. Parker. John Robins was reappointed senior warden, and the remaining officers of the parish were: Junior warden, Charles A. Brown; secretary, E. P. Carter; treasurer, Miss Penelope Gail. By reason of a change in the officers of the church, the annual meetings of Episcopal churches are held in January instead of May.

TO DRAFT MEN SINCE JUNE 5

Introduced in the Senate To-day by Senator Chamberlain

IS ON REQUEST OF WAR DEPARTMENT

Another Bill Provides for Furloughing the National Army Men for Harvest

Washington, D. C., Jan. 15.—At the request of the war department to-day Chairman Chamberlain introduced a bill for the registration for military duty of all men who had become 21 since June 5, when the draft law went into effect. The war department has rejected any plan to raise the draft age limits to take in men more than 31.

Senator Chamberlain introduced two other bills at the request of the administrative committee introduced a bill for the registration for military duty of all men who had become 21 since June 5, when the draft law went into effect. The war department has rejected any plan to raise the draft age limits to take in men more than 31.

RETAIL PRICES FOR BARRE FOOD STORES

Local Interpreting Board Has Fixed 10 Cents a Pound for Sugar, \$1.50 a Bushel for Potatoes.

The local interpreting board, working under the state food administrator, makes the following announcement of maximum retail prices for Barre on sugar, flour and potatoes: Granulated sugar, 10c; Pulverized, domo and cube sugar, 12c; Flour, bread, best short patent, \$13.50 to \$14.00; Flour, bread, straight patent, \$13.00 to \$13.50; All-round flour, \$12.50 to \$13.00; Pastry flour, \$12.00 to \$12.50; Potatoes, 40c peck, \$1.50 bushel. These prices are subject to revision at any time and the prospect is that sugar will be made out at a lower price within a few days. Customers should not pay in excess of these prices.

STATE SPIRITUALISTS.

Will Assemble in Barre on Jan. 25 for Annual Convention.

Spiritualist meetings are to be held in Barre Jan. 25, 26 and 27, when the annual convention of the Vermont State Spiritualist association will be held in the Pearl street pavilion. The committee in charge of the gathering will be: Emma Paul, Alonzo Hubbard, David Taylor and Mrs. Sarah A. White. During the convention test seances will be held by Rev. Mr. Senter, consisting of giving names and minute descriptions of people who are said to have passed to the spirit life.

Good music for all sessions is to be provided. The first meeting, at 7:30 o'clock Friday evening, will consist of music, conferences and speeches. Saturday and Sunday meetings will be held at 10:30 a. m. and 2:30 p. m. and 7:30 p. m. The election of officers and business meeting will take place at 4:30 p. m. Saturday. The Hotel Buzzell and Eureka restaurant are to be headquarters.

The committee in charge of the meetings is made up of C. H. Ingalls of Montpelier, president, Jay L. Smith of St. Albans, chairman of the board of managers, and Mrs. Jay L. Smith, secretary.

DIED AT CAMBRIDGE, MASS.

David Taylor Was a Former Resident of Barre.

Mrs. James Peer received a telegram this morning announcing the death of her brother-in-law, David Taylor, which occurred at his home in Cambridge, Mass. Mr. Taylor will be well remembered in Barre, where he lived for many years until he removed to Cambridge five years ago next July. He had reached the age of 59 years and while in Barre was for some time engaged in blacksmithing at various granite sheds and then for a time about nine years ago conducted a restaurant in the Quinlan block. He did not belong to any fraternal orders in Barre, but was a member