

A Little Christmas Story

It is Christmas time. We are all getting ready for Christmas. We feel different and happier at this time of year. We feel happy because we are buying a gift for someone. The little girls and boys and some grown-ups go about town looking in the shop windows with open eyes and mouth.

This Christmas spirit is a great and glorious feeling, but before we buy gifts we must learn to save. We must acquire the habit of thrift and this is where Vermont comes in.

The people of Vermont and of this community have acquired the saving habit. This is why Vermont, with about three hundred and fifty thousand people has over a hundred banks with a great many more than a hundred millions of dollars on deposit in the banks.

Not long ago a little boy had a bank given to him for a Christmas present; and being a true Vermonter it was not long before he had filled his bank with pennies; so he said to his father, "Father, what bank shall I make my first deposit with?"

The father replied, "Son, go to the Montpelier Savings Bank and Trust Company as that is the bank where I have always done my banking. That bank started in business nearly fifty years ago and as the people in this community prospered so the bank grew strong and powerful until now it is the oldest and largest and strongest trust company in the State"

The boy not understanding, asked, "Father, why do you say that bank is so strong?"

The father replied, "Let us look at its last statement and I will tell you. First, it has a guarantee fund of nearly half a million dollars to protect depositors, made up as follows:

Capital Stock	\$100,000
Stockholders' Liability	100,000
Surplus Reserve	187,500
Undivided Profits	85,300
	\$472,800

"Second, it has in quick assets that may be turned into money very quickly over one million, seven hundred thousand dollars, made up as follows:

Town, City and County Bonds	\$886,300
Government Bonds	422,900
Other Bonds	158,000
Bank Stock	33,600
Cash	201,439
	\$1,702,239

"This is why I call the Montpelier Savings Bank and Trust Company a strong bank."

So the boy went to the bank, made his deposit and received for his money a bank book with a number and his name and a picture of a safe with a big dog on it and when with pride he showed the book to his mother he said, "The bank keeps my money in that safe and as long as that big dog is on guard nobody can get it."

Why not give your boy a bank this Christmas?

The Montpelier Savings Bank & Trust Company
"The Old Bank on the Corner" Montpelier, Vermont
Depository for the State of Vermont

GROTON

The Funeral of George Carpenter Was Held on Monday.

The body of George Carpenter was brought here Monday from Wells River and the funeral service held at the Methodist church at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. Stead Thornton officiating. Mr. Carpenter's home was in Wells River, but he and his wife had gone to Newport, N. H., for the winter, where he was employed by the B. & M. railroad, and where his death occurred Thursday night. He had been apparently in the best of health and the end came without a moment's warning. Mr. Carpenter was born in Groton 71 years ago, and resided here until around 15 years ago. His parents were Eliphaz and Hannah (Glover) Carpenter. He was married three times. His first wife was Caroline Page, who passed away nearly eighteen years ago. A few years later he married Martha Littlefield of North Abington, Mass., who died three or four years ago. A year ago last summer he was united in marriage to Mrs. Ida Young of Boston, who survives him. Nine children were born to him and his first wife, Jennie, Mrs. Richard Annis (deceased), Fred and Rhoney of Groton, Rosa, Mrs. Roswell Page of Topsham, Georgia, Mrs. Hollis Lund of Peterboro, N. H., Richard of Barre, Ardelle, Mrs. Cushing of Rockland, Mass., and Margaret and Bartlett. The two last named died in childhood. Besides the widow and children mentioned, Mr. Carpenter is survived by one brother, Taylor Carpenter of Groton, and one sister, Mrs. Carrie Thayer of Dorchester, Mass. Mr. Carpenter was a wheelwright and carpenter by trade, a man of good principles and quiet disposition, and well liked by his fellow workmen. Those here to attend the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Lund of Peterboro, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Austin Lund of Dublin, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. Richard Carpenter and Mrs. Aaron Richardson of Barre, Mrs. Harry Shorey and Charles Annis of Montpelier, Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Page of West Topsham and Mrs. Butter of Boston.

Mrs. Ella Dunnell of St. Johnsbury was a visitor in town Thursday. M. D. Coffin came to his home here Thursday, county court having adjourned over the holidays. George Knox and B. S. Eastman, who have been serving as jury came to their homes Wednesday. Mrs. Pearl Heath of East Ryegate was in town Wednesday to visit her grandmother, Mrs. George Eastman. Dr. and Mrs. H. L. Thurston were in Woodsville, N. H., Thursday to meet Miss Helen Ross of Salem, Mass., niece of Mrs. Tillotson, who came to pass the Christmas recess. Miss Kathleen Hendry, who has a position at teacher in Farmington, N. H., came to her home here on Saturday for the Christmas vacation.

G. E. Smith was in St. Johnsbury Friday to meet his mother, Mrs. A. N. Clark of Hardwick, who came that day to visit her sons for a few weeks. Mrs. Fred O. Jones of Manchester, N. H., arrived here Tuesday, being called by the serious illness of her mother, Mrs. George Eastman. Mrs. Eastman, who has been ill for some time, has not been as well for the past week. Ira Blanchard and David Hall returned Tuesday from New York City, where they went early last week to meet Miss Margaret Milne, an aunt of Mr. Hall, who arrived from Scotland. Miss Milne will make an extended visit with her relative here. Mrs. James Main, who has been suffering from an attack of bronchial pneumonia, remains very ill. At the Methodist Episcopal church next Sunday morning, Rev. Stead Thornton will take as his topic, "The Coming of the King," and in the evening his topic will be "Self and Others." Both of these services will be special Christmas sermons, and all are invited to attend.

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SOUTH ROYALTON

Miss Ada Thompson of Tunbridge was at A. N. Merrill's for the week end. Rev. A. C. Hurd of White River Junction was in town over Sunday and addressed the M. E. Sunday school Sunday morning.

The boys scout met at the Dairy Hill schoolhouse last Sunday evening and Mr. Hurd of the Y. M. C. A. spoke to them.

It is reported that Wilbur Woodward and Charles Taft have exchanged farms. Mrs. C. P. Tarbell was in Randolph on business Monday.

George Fales, Forrest Southworth and son, Walter, who are cutting pulp wood for E. L. Miller, spent Sunday at their homes here.

Miss Norma Clifford is home for the holidays. Miss Alice Lamb was in Randolph the first of the week.

Mrs. Blanche Ellis, who has been ill for some time, is able to ride out. Myron Fowler, who has been boarding in Sharon while running his mail route, was at home Sunday.

Supt. V. K. Brackett has had electric lights placed in his house. Mrs. J. E. Mosley, her son, Charles, Christmas with Mrs. Mosley's parents and daughter, Elizabeth, are spending in Maine.

NORTHFIELD

A son, Harold Donald Pride, was born Dec. 18 to Mr. and Mrs. Earl B. Pride of East Lynn, Mass., grandson of Mr. and Mrs. W. O. Pride of this town. Mr. and Mrs. Timothy Cain of Belows Falls are spending a few weeks at the home of their daughter, Mrs. John Holton.

Honorable Frank Plumley has returned from Boston, where he has been spending several days the past week. C. C. Richmond, who has been quite seriously ill at his home on Main street, is reported a little better.

Mr. and Mrs. Dean S. Sibley left Wednesday for Buffalo and Jamestown, N. Y., to spend the holidays.

Mrs. Clara Holton, teacher in the public schools in Randolph, is at her home for the holiday vacation. Her son, George Holton, who attends Mt. Hermon school, is with his mother for his vacation and her daughter, Miss Beatrice Holton of Montpelier, is home for Christmas.

Mrs. Newell Jones, a farmer resident of Northfield, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Carpenter, recently. A Christmas tree with an entertainment for the young people was held at St. John's Catholic church, Thursday night. Friday night midnight mass will be celebrated. At the Universalist, Methodist and Congregational churches there will be trees Friday evening. St. Mary's church will have a Christmas party Monday night, the 27th.

A. A. Thresher of Boston was a recent visitor in town, the guest of his uncle, H. S. Thresher. Miss Helena Fitzsimonds of Underhill has been spending a few days in town, the guest of Miss Florence Doyle. Miss Fitzsimonds was a former teacher in the Northfield graded school.

PLAINFIELD

Social dance at the S. and D. of L. hall Tuesday evening, Dec. 23; three-piece orchestra. Admission, 75c a couple. Refreshments, 25c a plate. Dancing from 8 until 2. Floor manager, Ernest Folsom.—adv.

All the stores here will be closed all day Saturday, Christmas day.

MORETOWN

Two big boys in this town have received much adverse criticism and censure because they poured turpentine on a cat a few days ago. However they are probably to be congratulated if they get off with that rather than with the prosecution which sometimes follows instances of that sort.



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