

D'ANNUNZIO'S DREAM OF POWER CUT SHORT; TRUCE IS DECLARED

Leader of Revolt Against Italian Government Surrendered All His Powers to the Fiume Communal Council and Hostilities Have Ceased.

CONFERENCE FOR PEACE ARRANGED

D'Annunzio Was Apparently Ignored in the Negotiations for Truce—Conference For Final Settlement of Difficulties Was Held To-day.

Fiume, Dec. 29 (By the Associated Press).—Gabriele D'Annunzio early today surrendered all his powers to the Fiume command council.

General Cavaglia, commander of the regular Italian forces, will arrange the conditions of peace with a delegation of the council to-day.

Fiume, Dec. 29 (By the Associated Press).—A conference for the purpose of arranging the final cessation of hostilities between the regular Italian forces of General Cavaglia and D'Annunzio's legionaries was set for to-day. Meanwhile all military operations have been suspended.

The truce was arranged during the night and will continue until the conclusion of the conference. Mayor Cignante of Fiume and Captain Ciocchetti, in whose hands D'Annunzio placed the defense of the city, were selected as spokesmen for Fiume, D'Annunzio apparently being ignored.

WOUNDED REGULARS TAKEN TO HOSPITALS

Majority Were Struck By Machine Gun Bullets or Splinters of Hand Grenades.

Rome, Dec. 23.—D'Annunzio legionaries at Fiume last night set fire to a powder magazine in the Regina valley, southeast of the city, according to a report from Abbazia. The explosion, which occurred toward midnight, set fire to the woods surrounding Fiume to the east and great clouds of black smoke rolled down over the city. In some quarters the belief was expressed that a petroleum refinery near the powder magazine had also been set on fire.

Italian regular troops surrounding Fiume continued to advance west and north of the city yesterday, while on the eastern side the situation was unchanged as the regular troops remain on one side of the Enfo river and the legionaries on the other and it is impossible to cross this stream because the bridges have been destroyed. The fiercest fighting occurred west of Fiume, where Alpi advancing from Castro reached the public gardens. When they had forced their way, however, they found all the houses surrounding the gardens had been transformed into machine gun nests, from which a terrific fire was poured upon them.

An armored car advanced against the regulars and inflicted heavy losses, the Alpi throwing themselves on the ground and continuing the struggle for some time. Major Dambara, in command of the Alpi, rode through the gardens on horseback and rushed toward the car, but was wounded twice and his horse was shot dead. When the fire ceased he struggled to the car and found three dead legionaries and two seriously wounded commissioned officers.

Wounded regulars have been taken in motor lorries to Trieste and Gorizia, where special hospitals were organized. The number of men being taken to these hospitals is increasing hourly and all agree in declaring that the regulars are themselves handicapped in their fight against the legionaries. They are armed only with rifles, while the D'Annunzio troops use hand grenades and machine guns and, besides, have laid mines everywhere so that at every step the government soldiers are in danger of being blown up or killed by debris and splinters. Two houses in Fiume have already been destroyed by mines.

The majority of the wounded were struck by machine gun bullets or splinters of hand grenades. They say the regular troops were ordered not to fire unless absolutely obliged to do so, while the legionaries have taken every advantage to inflict the heaviest possible losses upon their assailants. While at the beginning of the struggle the government forces held a numerical superiority, their progress is slow as the legionaries are entrenched in buildings and have an enormous advantage. It is agreed that unless Captain D'Annunzio capitulates the occupation of the entire town of Fiume will be accomplished only with the utmost difficulty.

MONTEPELIER

More Men Appear in Court on Intoxication Charges.

Several more men appeared in Montpelier city court this morning as a result of the arrests made by the police yesterday. These included Michael Moran, who was arrested last evening by Officer Sloan in front of the Langdon block. He tried to fake illness. He is one of those men who have been "there" before and Officer Sloan went to the jail later in the evening to see that he was in the condition he thought him to be when arrested. He found the man talking with others there, apparently in good health. Some of the sympathizers, when the arrest was made, urged the officer to take the man to the hospital. The others were Louis Landry, Eugene Smith and Joseph Donovan, two of whom were rounded up at the Central Vermont station. Donovan paid \$15 and costs. The rest got 30 days in jail. This makes nine arrests for drunks in two days.

The funeral of Clark B. Roberts, who was some 26 years the head of the street department in Montpelier, occurred from his late home at 10 o'clock this morning. Rev. William Nichols of the Unitarian church, which Mr. Roberts attended officiating. The house was packed with many friends and long time associates who wanted to pay their last respects to the deceased. These included S. B. Bates, state highway commissioner, Montpelier city council, the head of all departments, ex-city council members, ex-employees in different city departments and relatives. The bearers were John Deal, a brother, Walter and William Deal, nephews of Mrs. Roberts, Frank and Harry Smith and Frederick Dower, close friends of the deceased. The interment was in Green Mount cemetery.

The marriage of William A. Gishorne and Mrs. Louise (Duvall) Craig occurred at 8 o'clock last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Spicer, in Montpelier. The bride and groom were attended by Miss Ida Gishorne and Mrs. Spicer, oldest sisters of the contracting parties. The bride was employed for some time in the Bee Hive in Burlington but for a year has lived with her sister here. The groom is foreman in the National Spring and clothes pin factory. They will reside in Montpelier after a short wedding trip.

The Lane Manufacturing company has closed down its plant while repairs are being made and an inventory taken. Probably this will not last more than this week.

Benjamin London, formerly employed in the American Clothing store, has been visiting here. He leaves shortly for a few months in the west.

Miss Edith Gorham, a teacher in the William Loom school in Montreal, is visiting with Mrs. Clifford Caswell, her sister.

W. R. McFeeters of St. Albans was in the city yesterday.

H. M. McIntosh, state engineer, who has been ill for a week, is feeling better.

The justices of the supreme court are here in conference for the opinions that will be read at the January term of the court, which convenes at 10 o'clock Tuesday morning.

Miss Lena Ross of Rutland was in the city yesterday in connection with her work in the board of charities.

Arrangements were completed yesterday so that Hugh McGinnis, who has been contracting lumber work in Plattsburgh, will go to Morrisville for a hearing relative to breaking his probation. It appears that he was behind on his payments to the support of his wife and that the state probation officer, W. H. Jeffrey, got after him and had him brought to the county jail here to be taken before Judge Fountain tomorrow. It is intended that his probation shall cease and that he will go to the house of correction for his sentence. He had money to settle the arrears but this is not the first time this matter has been called to the attention of the department.

For sale: Three slightly used talking machines. 132 Main street—adv.

Several automobile accidents have been reported in the last two days at the secretary of state's office. S. P. March of Barre reported that his machine and that of Clyde Perry collided the 23rd of the month. M. J. Swan of St. Johnsbury reported that his car got away from him and ran down a street into the bakery of F. A. Scott, doing some damage to the machine and store. He is unable to account for the accident. H. M. Corbin of North Hero reported that his car hit a team while Peter Garvey of Burlington reported that his machine and that of H. J. Daigies of that city collided yesterday. Joseph Trombley of Burlington reported that his car hit a trolley car.

Miss Pearl Davies, who has been visiting in Castlereagh, P. Q., has returned to her duties in Montpelier.

Mrs. Clair Templeton is to be employed in the legislative reference bureau the coming session of legislature in place of Edward Connell of Northfield, who is unable to take on the work.

Miss Marguerite Campbell returned this morning from a visit in St. Albans.

Mr. and Mrs. Dale Donahue have been visiting in Haverhill, Mass. Mrs. Donahue will remain for a few days. Mr. Donahue returned yesterday.

'COW BOY SAND' MEN INDICTED

Are Charged With Violation of Sherman Anti-Trust Act

FOUR CONCERNS AND 11 INDIVIDUALS

Were Named In Federal Indictment In New York

New York, Dec. 29.—Federal indictments charging violation of the Sherman anti-trust act were returned today against four sand concerns and eleven individuals, whose activities have been scrutinized in a legislative inquiry into the building situation. The indictments charged that for three years the defendants had conspired to violate the criminal provisions of the Sherman act in what is known in the trade as "Cow Boy sand" dug from the shores of Long Island Sound principally in New York, New Jersey and Connecticut.

WAIVED EXAMINATION

When Arraigned in Connection With Liquor Seizure.

St. Albans, Dec. 29.—Douglas Dean was arraigned before United States Commissioner C. D. Watson last evening in connection with a seizure of liquor last summer. Dean waived examination and was bound over to appear at the February term of United States court at Burlington, \$500 bail being furnished. Dean was arrested by United States Deputy Marshal G. F. Lackey, who had a warrant for the arrest for some time. Dean was represented by Attorney F. L. Webster.

David A. Kiah of Burlington was arraigned before Commissioner Watson in connection with the seizure of 24 quarts of liquor on Dec. 24. He failed to provide \$500 bail and went back to jail.

NEXT CONFERENCE IN LONDON.

Of the Allied Premiers Because Lloyd George Must Be Home.

Paris, Dec. 29.—Because of the labor situation in England, which makes necessary the presence of Prime Minister Lloyd George in London, the next conference of the allied premiers will take place in London or Paris, and not at Nice, it is said by newspapers here to-day.

TALK OF THE TOWN

Arthur Baxter arrived from Trenton, N. J. yesterday afternoon to make a short visit with friends in the city.

Miss Annie Zocchi of East Barre had her tonsils and adenoids removed by an operation at the City hospital this morning.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Smith of Waltham, Mass., are making a short visit with Mrs. Lillian Smith at her home on Patterson street.

James Fitzpatrick of Burlington, adjutant for the Travelers Life Insurance company, is in the city on business in the interest of the company.

Romeo Toffalori and Antonio Beni left on a late train yesterday for Los Angeles, Cal., where they have found employment at their trade as granite cutters.

Miss Edith Dale of Hartford, Conn., leaves this afternoon for her home, having spent Christmas with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Dale, of 23 Green street.

Mrs. Clifford Gushes of Williams-town, who was brought to the Barre City hospital yesterday afternoon, underwent an abdominal operation there this morning.

Ezra Gooley, formerly of Beckley hill, recently arrived from Boston, and is visiting at the home of H. March of Barre, where he is on a short business visit.

Douglas Cruickshank arrived last night from Toronto, Ont., to visit at the home of his mother on Division street over New Year's. Mr. Cruickshank has recently returned from Dakar, West Africa, whither he was sent by the Canadian government, by which he is employed.

Allen McKenzie of Williamstown appeared in municipal court this morning before Judge E. L. Scott to receive his sentence for intoxication on Nov. 6, when with a companion he was taking to the Barre hospital, Italian cemetery last evening, when about to start on a journey to their fatherland. They left here for New York City, and from there will sail Saturday morning, the Brusa family going to Ariccia, Italy, and Mr. Carro to Besano, Italy. Orders for a curfew in the city are being issued by the American Railway Express Co. and sent to all parts of the country. Agent George Marsh of the local office received instructions this morning, but instead of discharging a man, arranged with the three trustees and eight clerks that each man take a week's vacation every fourth week, thereby enabling all to remain in the employ of the company until business conditions improve.

LADY'S BODY NOT FOUND IN POND

Near Which Broken Gun, Cartridge Belt and Mittens Were Picked Up

POLICE BELIEVE LATTER A "PLANT"

To Make It Appear That James F. Collins, Jr., Died of Accidental Death

New Bedford, Mass., Dec. 29.—Belief that the gun, cartridge belt and mittens of James F. Collins, Jr., missing high school lad who disappeared while on a hunting trip 11 days ago, were placed at the tip of Turner's pond, where they were found yesterday, as a "plant" to furnish a theory of accidental death, was expressed to-day by the police. The ice on the pond was dynamited this morning and the bottom dragged. No trace of the lad's body was found. Another theory was held for a time by the police after the finding of the gun, cartridge belt and mittens, and deer tracks about it and it was pointed out that perhaps the lad had wounded a buck on the ice and in the struggle both had broken through and drowned. The absence of the body has disproved this.

POULTRY JUDGING AWARDS.

Made at Capital Poultry Association's Show.

Judging of the exhibits in the Capital Poultry association's exhibit at Montpelier started yesterday afternoon, with 523 exhibits in pens. The results of the judging are as follows: Light Brahma's, M. T. Sturtevant, Brandon, first cock, second hen, first and third cockerel; first pullet, first and second pen young; M. T. Phillips, first, second and third pullet, first pen young; Buff Orpingtons, Mrs. Donald Smith, Barre, first cock, first and second hen, first cockerel, first pullet, first pen young, first pen old.

Black Orpingtons, Mrs. R. Skinner, Royalton, first cockerel, first pullet, first pen young; Langhans, Roberts and Roberts, Granville, N. Y., first and second pullet, first cockerel; Cornish Indian Games, Dr. H. Reid, Barre, first cock, hen, cockerel, pullet; Buff Cochins, Banants, Charles E. W. Cochrane, N. Y., first cock, hen, pullet; Black Minorcas, E. Albertini, Montpelier, first cock.

White Wyandottes, H. Darling, Montpelier, fourth cock; E. O. Jones, Granville, N. Y., second and third cock, first and second hen, fourth cockerel, third pullet, second pen young, second pen of old; E. R. Tarbox, first cock, fourth hen, first cockerel, first and fourth pullet; George Wood, Montpelier, second hen, second and third cockerel, second pullet, first pen young, first pen old; Mrs. E. E. Hill, Montpelier, third pen young.

Colden Wyandottes, E. E. Stoddard, Montpelier, first second and third pullet; Roberts and Roberts, Granville, N. Y., first cock, first hen.

Silver Laced Wyandottes, Roberts and Roberts, first pullet; A. C. Gilman, second hen; George Buswell, first hen; Buff Wyandottes, Roberts and Roberts, first cock, first and second pullet; Harry Stackpole, first and second cockerel.

Buff Rocks, H. M. Pape, Montpelier, first, second and third pullet, first cockerel, first pen young, first hen.

White Leghorns, E. S. Meigs, first and second cock, first cockerel, first and second hen, first and second pullet, first pen young.

WAS NEARLY 95.

John Stewart Died To-day at Home of Daughter, Mrs. G. Straiton.

After an illness of three weeks, John Stewart passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Straiton, of 70 Washington street, about 4 o'clock this morning. The direct cause of Mr. Stewart's demise was arterial, sclerosis, probably due to complications arising from old age.

The deceased was born in Keppock, Prince Edward Island, April 18, 1829, and died nearly 95 years of age at the time of his death. The greater part of his life was spent in Charlottetown, Prince Edward Island, where for many years he worked at his trade of a tailor. He was married over 60 years ago to Jane MacDonald, whose death antedated that of her husband by four years. In September, 1918, Mr. Stewart came to Barre to make his home with his daughter, Mrs. Straiton. In his home town he was connected with the Baptist church.

Besides Mrs. George Straiton of this city the deceased leaves three other daughters, Mrs. John South, Albert and Prince Edward Island, Mrs. Sarah J. MacDonald of California, Mrs. J. M. Cameron of Charlottetown, and one son, Charles, of Keppock. Two other sons born to Mr. and Mrs. Stewart have died.

A private prayer service will be held at the Straiton home this afternoon at 3 o'clock with Rev. Bailey G. Lipsky officiating. The body will be taken on the 11:35 train to-night to Charlottetown, where the funeral will be held Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. George Straiton will leave on the same train to be present at the funeral.

FINE WELCOME GIVEN TO COLBY

Uruguay People Turned Out to Greet American Secretary of State.

Montevideo, Dec. 29.—Throngs lined the streets of this city yesterday to welcome Bainbridge Colby, the American secretary of state. American residents declared it the most enthusiastic greeting they had given any foreign visitor in many years. The battleship Florida, on which Mr. Colby came to South America, was met at sea by the cruiser Uruguay, bearing the American minister and representatives of the Uruguayan army and navy. After salutes had been exchanged Mr. Colby and his party were transferred to the cruiser which brought them to this city. The great cavalry regiment of the Uruguayan army was drawn up at the pier where Mr. Colby was greeted by Foreign Minister Buero. The drive to the palace, where the secretary was received by President Brum, was one continuous ovation, there being almost uninterrupted rendition of the "Star Spangled Banner," which was played by eight bands stationed at various points.

Upon reaching the palace, Secretary Colby met President Brum, and after conversing for some time stepped out on the balcony, where he reviewed the military parade. Later he was driven to the Parque Hotel, where the foreign minister was his host at dinner. In a short address, following the dinner, Senator Buero praised President Wilson, and continued: "The force of our great continent lies in its characteristic idealism. The destiny of America is the destiny of idealism. America has no reason for being unless her destiny and duty be an ideal. It is her privilege to declare and stand for the rights of men, for nothing else is worth fighting for, and nothing else is worth sacrificing."

Mr. Colby received a score of Uruguayan newspaper men and in a brief statement explained he was the personal emissary of President Wilson. He said Uruguay was an illustration of a country should not be measured by its territorial extent. He expressed his gratification at the cordial reception given him by the people of this city. Buildings, throughout Montevideo, are profusely decorated with American flags in honor of Secretary Colby's visit.

HELD CHRISTMAS TREE

Exercises Held Last Evening at Church of the Good Shepherd.

Christmas tree exercises were held last evening in the Church of the Good Shepherd by the children of the Sunday school at 7 o'clock. The vestry of the church was most becomingly decorated in Christmas colors of red and green, dominated by the presence of several small evergreen trees distributed evenly on each side of the auditorium. Two large trees trimmed with tinsel held the place of honor near the altar.

A short program had been arranged: "A Note from Santa Claus" by Irene Dea; the singing of the hymns, "I Came Upon a Midnight Clear," "Little Town of Bethlehem," "Hark, the Herald Angels Sing" and "While Shepherds Watched Their Flocks by Night," by the children of the Sunday school. Rev. David C. Huntington, rector of the church, spoke interestingly and enlighteningly to the children on the "Life of St. Nicholas."

After the program the gathering adjourned to the basement, where refreshments of cocoa, cake and wafers were served to everyone. The children then gave themselves over to a general fun and merry-making time in the playing of games.

The Christmas tree last night was a secondary Christmas entertainment at the church, the primary event being the Christmas and Epiphany pageant presented at the church Sunday evening. These pageants had been previously arranged for Tuesday, but Sunday morning, after a lingering illness, the last moment had been taken to change the date. The three aims of the play have already been mentioned in an earlier issue of the Times. The entertainment is the first of its kind which has ever been put on in Barre, and the manner in which it was presented, plus the most beautiful costumes, which had been so carefully arranged by Mrs. McLoughlin, is deserving of the highest credit and worthy of all the endeavor put into it. Under the guidance of Mrs. James Ewen, the participants performed wonderfully well, and were appreciated to the utmost by an audience which filled every seat in the auditorium and many other chairs which had been temporarily added to the seating capacity.

The program was made up in two parts, the first on Christmas, and the second on the Epiphany. In the Christmas section the following players appeared in order: Prologue, given by Lucy Mills; By the way, given by Lucy Mills; Young Wallace Stewart, Spones Maniatty and Status Maniatty; angels, Mary Sector and Grace Robinson; Mother Church, Mrs. William Little; little scholars, America Giora and James Stewart; Christmas day, Florence McLoughlin; and the shepherds, given by the children of the Epiphany, given by the children of the Epiphany.

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STATE CHECKER CLUB.

Elects W. D. Ingalls of Richford as President.

At the meeting of the Vermont State Checker club at the Apollo club in Montpelier to-day W. D. Ingalls of Richford was elected president. William Gill of Burlington vice-president, W. C. Hoag of Burlington secretary and treasurer, G. T. Eaton of Waltham field master of games, Messrs. Gill, Ingalls and Hoag managers. It was voted to hold the summer meeting at such time as the New Hampshire State Checker club can meet. The annual tournament result is yet in doubt as there are five more teams to play off.

SEEK TO AMEND CITY CHARTER

So That Schools Can Get \$1.50 On the Dollar of Barre Grand List

SCHOOL BOARD MAKES REQUEST

Schools Cost \$1.50 This Year But Citizens Had to Vote 50 Cents of It

The Barre school board applied to the board of aldermen last night for charter revision so that a school tax of \$1.50 on the dollar of the grand list can be raised without having an extra tax voted by the citizens over and above the \$1 limit now allowed by the charter. It was stated that the board might not need the entire \$1.50 for the ensuing year but would probably need it the year following. The board was represented by School Commissioners James T. Marston and A. Fasola and School Superintendent C. H. White. Supt. White explained that out of the \$1.50 tax secured for the schools the past year, the money had supported the evening drawing school without special tax, had paid retroactive salary to the school teachers on the grade of salary voted by the city and had left a balance of approximately \$4,000 in the treasury at the close of the year. He added that the board might have to raise the salaries of the teachers and would also have to make some important repairs to school buildings, so that the board could not see how it could run the schools on less than was spent during the financial year drawing to a close. Members of the city government asked if it would not be possible to group the schools so that one of the buildings might be closed, and the response was that the central schools were well-filled already and that the closing of one of the buildings in the outlying district would necessitate a great hardship on young children unless a system of transportation should be provided. Supt. White stated that there are now four vacant rooms in the Lincoln building. After hearing the matter the aldermen referred it to the legislative committee to confer with the school commissioners. There was some sentiment in favor of raising the charter limit to \$1.50 instead of the \$1.50, as requested.

The board of aldermen went over the city financial statement and provided money for carrying the various departments through the balance of the financial year closing Dec. 31, a resolution advanced at the meeting last week being amended in some particulars.

In order to meet some demands on the city the city treasurer was instructed to make arrangements to raise money to the extent of fifty per cent of the checking deposit in the Barre Savings Bank & Trust Co. and the mayor and the city treasurer were instructed to make the loaning money. Interest on \$85,000 water bonds was ordered paid, the amount being \$1,487.50. The dog license money for 1920, amounting to \$263.20, was ordered paid to the library committee. The sum of \$2,820 in cemetery trust funds was ordered invested; and the sum of \$1,293.48 was ordered paid as interest on cemetery trust funds.

Other bills approved were: Street pay, \$823.13; engineering pay, \$29.23; water pay, \$131.23; fire pay, \$196.50; police pay, \$84.35; water rebates, \$29.35; C. L. Booth, \$20; Miss Gridley, \$26; poor department, \$65.

BURIAL AT PLAINFIELD

Following Funeral in Barre of Mrs. Euthicia C. Spencer.

Funeral services of Mrs. Euthicia C. Spencer, who passed away early Monday morning, after a lingering illness, was held from the home of her son, M. F. Spencer, 3 Mount street, at 1 o'clock yesterday afternoon. The house was well filled with friends and relatives and there were many flowers as expressions of esteem. Rev. B. G. Lipsky officiated at the services and Mrs. M. D. Lamb sang two selections.

The pall bearers were G. M. Spencer, M. F. Spencer and S. R. Spencer, sons, and Clyde Spencer, a grandson. The body was taken to Plainfield for burial beside her husband in the village cemetery.

TO BUILD THREE STONESHEDS.

So They Petitioned for Grade Crossing at Montpelier.

After hearing the petition of several parties for a grade crossing that would lead onto the Sabin farm in Montpelier, the state public service commission to-day intimated that an order would be issued for the permit, no objection having been raised. The reason for the crossing was because it was desired to open up the land for construction of three granite plants. The petitioners were Menard & Enzo, Artistic Granite Co., the heirs of the Sabin estate, the city of Montpelier and the Central Vermont Railway Co. The location is near the iron railroad bridge on upper Barre street.

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GOLDEN WEDDING OF E. MONTEPELIER COUPLE

Mr. and Mrs. Luther S. Wheeler Were Married at Montpelier Dec. 28, 1870.

Luther Smith Wheeler and Mrs. Temperance (Gallison) Wheeler celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their residence on Gallison hill, East Montpelier, Tuesday, Dec. 28. This worthy couple were married in Montpelier Dec. 28, 1870, by Mr. Wheeler. With the exception of a few years, they have lived at the Wheeler homestead, where the family party gathered yesterday. Six children were born to them, William L. Wheeler of East Montpelier, Charles C. Wheeler, a prosperous physician in Brattleboro, Harry L. Wheeler, who has been dead many years, Anna Wheeler, living at home, Lena C. Wheeler, the wife of C. P. Dudley, the grocer at East Montpelier, and Mrs. Kate Wheeler Foster, who died about a year ago.

Of the living children, there were present William Wheeler, Anna Wheeler and Mrs. Lena Wheeler Dudley. Six grandchildren, the children of William Wheeler and Mrs. Dudley, completed the wedding party. The dining room was beautifully decorated in white and gold, in which the sumptuous dinner was served. The bride of 50 years ago cut the wedding cake with much grace and precision as she cut that other cake two score and 10 years ago. A purse of gold was presented them as a slight token of love from their children and grandchildren. Mr. Wheeler is a charter member of the East Montpelier grade and has always been prominent in town affairs. Both Mr. and Mrs. Wheeler are in excellent health and their relatives and many friends wish them many happy anniversaries of their wedding day.

MR. AND MRS. R. M. HARVEY MARRIED FIFTY YEARS

Well-Known Lawyer of Montpelier and Wife Had Family Party in Honor of the Event.

At their home on College street in Montpelier yesterday Mr. and Mrs. Roney M. Harvey celebrated the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage. Because both are in rather poor health, the observance was quiet, only the relatives being present at a dinner party.

Roney M. Harvey, William Pyper and Cora L. Hill of Topsham were united in marriage at Ryegate 50 years ago yesterday and they spent their married life until 1896 at West Topsham, since which time they have resided in Montpelier. Three children were born to them, the two sons, Erwin M. Harvey and John N. Harvey, following in the footsteps of their father in the legal profession. A daughter died 17 years ago. The eldest son is at present the judge of the municipal court at Montpelier and is one of the leading attorneys of Washington county. John N. Harvey is located in Brattleboro, being a member of one of the most prominent firms of lawyers in southern Vermont.

R. M. Harvey was long a prominent citizen of Orange county, having been a state senator, state's attorney, town representative from Topsham twice and once a member of the board of supervisors of insane. He has practiced law for more than half a century, and the present December term was the first term of Orange county court he has missed in those 50 years. Mrs. Harvey has been an active worker in Methodist church circles until poor health forced her to give up that work.

DAMON—PYPER.

Former Barre Woman Bride of Boston Man.

A very pretty wedding took place at Colchester, Mass., Dec. 27, when Harry Reed Damon and Miss May G. Pyper, daughter of Mrs. William Pyper, formerly of Barre, but now living in Cambridge, Mass., were united in marriage. Rev. Howard K. Bartow performing the ceremony. The bride was attended by her mother and brother, William Pyper of Philadelphia, and the groom was attended by his sister, Mrs. Ernest Hill of Scituate, Mass., and Fredrick Harts of Boston.

The bride was becomingly dressed in a blue silverstone suit, trimmed with opusium fur, with a hat of gray satin, trimmed with ostrich. She carried bridal roses.

Following the ceremony, a wedding supper was served. Mr. and Mrs. Damon, upon their return from a honeymoon, will reside in Boston, where the groom is in business.

GOOD-BYE TO SANTA.

Was Said by Children at Italian Baptist Mission.

The Italian Baptist mission church on Brook street was a scene of gay Christmas festivity last evening when children of the Sunday school classes assembled for the Christmas tree exercise and witnessed the delayed arrival of Santa Claus with his packed gift bags. Santa Claus presented every person in the church a gift and of each boy and girl gave a bag of candy.

At 7 o'clock Reno Bellorini gave the pleasing "welcome" address, which was followed by the prayers from Rev. B. G. Lipsky. The girls then sang a Christmas carol, which was followed by a recitation by Giacomina Cora, "A Reason for Haste." Irvin Rusconi and Miss Mary Halsall entertained with recitations likewise before the Christmas tree. The girls then sang "The Little Christmas Dolly," by Irma Mariotti, a recitation by James McDonald, "The Bells of Christmas Tide," and recited by Miss Adeline Palanca, and Miss Eda Cora followed by "Santa Claus and the Story of the Bell" in four girls gave "Helping Santa," and four girls gave "The Night Before Christmas" and Miss Mary Marletti "Long Ago on Christmas," concluding the program. Then Santa, in a jolly and generous way, distributed the gifts to the youngsters, and was still busy at 9:30, saying "goodnight" to his merry young admirers.

FOURTH COUNT NOL PROSSED

After F. G. Howland Had Pleaded Guilty to Four Other Counts

WAS THEY LACED IN CHARGE OF SHERIFF

Sentence Postponed Short Time to Let Him Attend to Some Matters

Without friend or attorney accompanying him, Frank G. Howland, president of the Barre Savings Bank and Trust company, walked into city court yesterday afternoon