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BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers.

William Buss is ill.
Thomas A. Davenport is in New York.

David Gardner of Pownal spent the day here.

Miss Grace Miller is in North Adams today.

Arthur Burt of Pownal was in the village today.

Ernest T. Griswold went to New York this morning.

J. A. Jubb is hunting today in the vicinity of Woodford.

Thomas Halloran who has been ill is rapidly improving.

Miss Amy Stewart is spending the day with friends in Berlin.

S. A. Williams has moved from Pleasant street to 611 Main street.

Get some flour out of that car of flour Hart offers at special price. Delivered direct from car.

Ernest Burleigh of Doring's orchestra of Troy is to assist Goldsmith's orchestra at the Epsilon Kappa ball.

The advance sale of "Alias Jimmy Valentine" for those not on the subscription list opens tonight at 7 o'clock.

The Williamstown Y. M. C. A. basketball team will play the Bennington team at the local gymnasium on Friday evening at 8 o'clock.

List of letters remaining uncalled for at the postoffice: Roger W. Hicks, Charles Harvey, Noel J. Thomas, Al. Signor Guiseppe Chisani de Pasquale, Mrs. James E. Bradley, Mrs. David Granger, Mrs. M. B. Johnson, Mrs. J. Shea.

Mrs. H. T. Cushman who has been ill at the Pavilion in Montpelier has recovered and with Senator Cushman will go to St. Johnsbury the last of the week to be the weekend guests of Lieutenant Governor and Mrs. Leighton P. Slack.

GERONIMO IN ACTION.

The Indian Chief's Story of How He Whipped the Mexicans.

About noon we began to hear their speaking my name with curses. In the afternoon the general came on the field, and the fighting became morifurios. I gave orders to my warriors to try to kill all the Mexican officers. About 3 o'clock the general called all the officers together at the right side of the field. The place where they assembled was not very far from the main stream, and a little ditch ran out close to where the officers stood. Cautiously I crawled out this ditch, very close to where the council was being held.

The general was an old warrior. The wind was blowing in my direction, so that I could hear all he said, and I understood most of it. This is about what he told them: "Officers, yonder in those ditches are the red devil Geronimo and his hated band. This must be their last day. Ride on them from both sides of the ditches. Kill men, women and children. Take no prisoners; dead Indians are what we want. Do not spare your own men; exterminate his band at any cost. I will post the wounded to shoot all deserters. Go back to your companies and advance."

Just as the command to go forward was given I took deliberate aim at the general, and he fell. In an instant the ground around me was riddled with bullets, but I was untouched. The Apaches had seen. From all along the ditches arose the fierce warring of my people. The columns wavered an instant and then swept on. They did not retreat until our fire had destroyed the front ranks. After this their fighting was not so fierce, yet they continued to rally and advance until dark. They also continued to speak my name with threats and curses. That night before the firing had ceased a dozen Indians had crawled out of the ditches and set fire to the long prairie grass behind the Mexican troops. During the confusion that followed we escaped to the mountains.—From "Geronimo's Story of His Life," by S. M. Barrett.

Cheerfulness and Cholera.

A cheerful disposition is held by some doctors to be the best protection against cholera. When this disease first visited Paris in 1832 a notice was issued advising the inhabitants "to avoid as far as possible all occasions of melancholy and all painful emotions and to seek plenty of distractions and amusements. Those with a bright and happy temperament are not likely to be stricken down." This advice was largely followed, and even when cholera was claiming over a thousand weekly victims the theaters and cafes were thronged. The epidemic was in some quarters treated as a huge joke, and plays and songs were written around it. Rochefort wrote a play, "Le Cholera Morbus," which proved a big success, and another production on the same lines, "Paris-malade," also had a long run.—London Chronicle.

Ether Toppers.

Ether is consumed by gallons to get drunk on in a small part of Scotland. The origin of this peculiar and limited abuse is strange. In 1848 a bad epidemic of cholera broke out in Glasgow. Among those flying from it were some who came back to Draperstown, their native place. With them they brought a cholera mixture which they found "exceeding comforting." A rascally doctor, knowing that the comfort proceeded from ether, laid in a whole cask. He made his fortune and started the habit that lasts till yet. Ether is sold over counters in Scotland, the penny a drink. An old ether toper can drink two or three ounces a day, but one-half ounce is one big dram in water. The drinker gets hilarious in a minute. It is far wilder and more

SHOT THROUGH MOUTH

Philadelphia Clubman Says His Wife Did It

Philadelphia, Dec. 15.—Herbert Mason Clapp, a wealthy clubman of this city, is in the hospital with a bullet in his head and likely to die and his beautiful young wife is locked up charged with having shot him. According to the police the couple quarreled in their rooms at 3:30 o'clock this morning and Mrs. Clapp jumped out of bed, secured a .44 caliber pistol and shot twice at her husband. One bullet went wild, smashing a mirror, but the other crashed through the man's mouth, emerging near the left ear.

At first the family and his friends tried to conceal the fact, claiming that Clapp had been drinking and suffering from nervousness had accidentally inflicted the wound. Clapp is 38 and his wife 23. Clapp has had a career which has frequently brought him before the public. He is a grand son of Mason, "the shoeblack king," and inherited much money from that source. Four years ago his wife divorced him in New York, securing yearly alimony of \$4500 and the custody of the child. Shortly after the divorce Clapp married Marie Haskell Leaskell of this city. In August 1908, they went to Texas where Mrs. Clapp left her husband because of his treatment of her. She went to New York and Clapp followed her there, causing her arrest. The case was dismissed, however, and they were temporarily reconciled. Last December Mrs. Clapp brought suit against her husband for absolute divorce charging cruel and barbarous treatment. Later they were again reconciled.

When the physicians at St. Joseph's hospital saw that the wounded man's condition was serious they notified the police and Mrs. Clapp was taken to the institution by two policemen. As she appeared before Clapp, he cried: "Take her away, take her away. She said she would get me and she did," said Clapp "with a six shooter," he added. "She is not afraid of a gun, man or devil. Her name is Marie Haskell Leaskell and was formerly a manicurist in a hotel." Clapp then made a statement to the police which has not yet been made public. It is alleged that Clapp struck his wife and that the shooting followed.

The hearing which was to have been given Mrs. Clapp yesterday afternoon has been postponed until the extent of her husband's injuries are known. Mrs. Clapp denies that she did the shooting and says she cannot understand why her husband should say she shot him.

After being cross examined Mrs. Clapp said that the shots were fired while she was trying to wrest the revolver from her husband. The police report that Mrs. Clapp said that her husband awoke her for the purpose of quarreling with her. She said he drew a revolver from a holster which he kept under his pillow, and threatened to kill her. She tried to get the pistol from him, she said, and in the tussle it was exploded. She said she was so excited that she did not know how many shots were fired and did not know who pulled the trigger but believed that her husband did. Mrs. Clapp said she and her husband quarreled last night over whether the bedroom window should be opened or closed.

Mrs. Clapp was released on \$2500 bail. Her husband is still in a serious condition.

How Tortoise Shell is Worked.

The soldering of two pieces of tortoise shell together is effected by means of hot pinchers, which, while they compress, soften the opposed edge of each piece and amalgamate them into one. Even the raspings and powder produced by the file, mixed with small fragments, are put into molds and subjected to the action of boiling water and thus made into plates of the desired thickness or into various articles which appear to have been cut out of a solid block.

Descriptive.

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