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BENNINGTON BRIEFS

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

Frank Norcross of North street is ill.

John A. Connelly of North street is ill.

Richard Purdy of Pittsfield is home to pass Christmas.

Attorney Alexander Dunnett of St. Johnsbury is in town today.

Nineteen thirteen diaries and calendars in today at Evans'. Adv.

Harold E. Dow is in Plover where he will spend Christmas.

S. V. Kibby of Everett, Mass. is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Lambert.

Fred T. Hopkinson will pass Christmas with his parents in Brattleboro.

John M. Burt of Winchendon, Mass is at his home here to pass the holidays.

Mrs. Harry Fradenburgh has returned from a short trip to New York.

Received this a. m. at Evans' a new lot of latest fiction and fifty cent books.

Mrs. Jesse Nichols of West Main street will pass Christmas at her home in Danby.

Robert Carney of Pittsfield is spending the holiday period at his home on Silver street.

Miss Florence Potter of Marlboro, Mass. is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Potter.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Whitman will spend Christmas day with their son Frank E. Whitman.

Miss Hazel Hart who teaches school in Springfield this state, is home for the Christmas recess.

Miss Jane Shelby, who has been a guest of her sister, Miss Marjorie Shelby, has returned to New York.

Mrs. Mary Leonard of Adams st. went to Troy to pass Christmas with her sister, Mrs. Martin Manning.

Miss Mary Coffey of Albany will be a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Burke of Dewey street over Christmas.

Mr. and Mrs. A. S. F. Edson have returned from their wedding trip and are housekeeping at 112 Dewey street.

Mrs. Emerson Belden of Green Island is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. John Rockwood of Morgan street extension.

Edward and John Hart of Springfield, Mass. are home to pass Christmas with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Hart.

Miss Sarah McCue of Waterford and Thomas McCue of Utica are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. John McCue.

Miss Mary Purcell of New York will pass the Christmas vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Purcell of School street.

Ernest Whitman and daughter Gladys will spend Christmas with Mr. Whitman's brother Frank Whitson, Frank E. Whitman.

Three dances, tonight, tomorrow afternoon and evening Foresters hall, Goldsmith's orchestra. Lightning two step, moonlight waltz.

Rev. and Mrs. H. C. Harmon and daughter of Newark, N. J., are visiting, Mrs. Harmon's parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Walbridge.

The condition of Mrs. John A. Robinson of Boston, who has been seriously ill, is encouraging and her recovery is only a matter of time.

The annual Christmas gathering of Catamount Commandery, U. O. G. C., will be held in their rooms Friday evening. All members and their friends are invited.

Three big dances New Years at Academy hall, Dec. 31, dancing from 9 until 2, Jan. 1, twilight hop dancing from 3 until 6; evening dancing from 8 until 12. Admission 25 cents. Under direction of F. M. T. A. B. society, entertainment committee.

There will be a special conclave of Taft commandery, Knights Templar, at 11:20 o'clock tomorrow forenoon for the purpose of participating in the established Christmas observance. The address will be given by Rev. Thornton F. Turner, rector of St. Peter's church.

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Imported Hand Bags of leather or velvet, at.....50c, 75c, \$1.25, \$1.50 to \$2.98

German Silver with kid lining at \$1.75 to \$4.00, worth \$2.50 to \$5.00.

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This Curious Ceremony is a Purely Dutch Institution.

Some time ago a Boer in Pretoria was married to a girl in Amsterdam, in Holland, the ceremony constituting what the Dutch call handschoen, or glove marriage.

In spite of the fact that a distance of 6,000 miles lay between the bride in the Netherlands and the bridegroom in the Transvaal they were just as effectually married under the Dutch law as if both had been present in the same church.

The bridegroom sent to his friend, or best man, in Amsterdam a power of attorney to represent him as his proxy at the ceremony and at the same time forwarded his glove, which at the proper moment, when the two were made one, was held by both the bride and the proxy.

The wedding was duly registered at Amsterdam and at Pretoria, where the bridegroom filed an affidavit with the landroost, or magistrate.

This curious form of marriage is a purely Dutch institution, the custom having originated, it is said, in the old times of Dutch-Batavian rule. It is, however, a dead letter in the Transvaal since the English took over that colony.—New York Press.

A Compliment.

"What did he say when you told him he was the worst liar you ever knew?"
"He merely remarked that he had been flattered before."—St. Louis Post-Dispatch.

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Miss Frances Richards, a student at the North Adams Normal school, is spending the Christmas holidays with her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Cushman and children of Irvington-on-the-Hudson are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry T. Cushman for the holidays.

There will be a Christmas tree and entertainment at the Baptist church Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

Miss Henrietta Walbridge, of North Adams is the guest of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert S. Walbridge of Prospect street for the holiday season.

Miss Nella Cole of North Adams called on friends and relatives in town Monday on her way home from a visit with relatives in Arlington.

Miss Clara Boynton, who is attending school at East Hampton, Mass., has been spending a short time with friends in town en route for Manchester where she will spend the holidays.

What It Cost.

In a little town in England not long ago the entire family had been at church and the young minister was coming home to dine with them. While at dinner they were discussing the new stained glass window a member had given. "It is a most beautiful piece of workmanship," said one, "and must have cost a great deal of money." "Do you have any idea how much?" "I really do not," replied the minister, "but far into the hundreds, I should imagine." "No, it didn't," said little Harold. "I know how much it was. It cost 14s. 10d." "Why, Harold, how do you know anything about it?" "Because, mamma, it says at the bottom of the window, Job 14, 10."—London Globe.

Home Piety.

"John," said the minister of a Scotch parish, "I fear you are growing remiss in your religious duties. I have not seen you in the kirk these three Sundays."

"No," answered John, "it's no that I'm growin' remiss; I'm just tinkerin' away w' my soul masel'."

Croupy Coughs and Wheezy Colds

The quickest simplest way to rid the children of dangerous croupy coughs and wheezy stuffy colds is to give them Foley's Honey and Tar Compound. It gives almost instant relief and stops a cough promptly. It soothes and heals. Contains no opiates. Cole's Pharmacy. Adv.

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DEFIED POLICE

Gyr Shot Women and Then Barricaded Home

Louisville, Ky., Dec. 23.—Barricaded in his home near Mount Washington, Dominic Gyr, who was accused of shooting his wife and another woman, was fatally wounded by a posse of officers today. Gyr took refuge in his home after he had shot the woman and when officers came he declared he would not be taken alive. In the battle that followed Gyr was hit by several bullets.

Warning for Special Village Meeting

The legal voters of the village of Bennington entitled in Village Meeting to vote are hereby notified and warned that a special meeting of said village will be held at Free Library hall in said Village of Bennington on Tuesday the 31st day of December 1912, at one o'clock in the afternoon for the purpose of transacting the following business.

Article 1 To see if the Village will vote to accept in its entirety from the Bennington Water Company the system of water works of said Company by its deed of the same to the Village as already prepared by said Company, the same to be in full compliance with the proposal of Henry W. Putnam to the President and Trustees of the village of Bennington by his letter dated October 1912; and to see if the Village will also accept the provisions of an act of the General Assembly of 1912 entitled "An Act to enable the Bennington Water Company to donate to the Village of Bennington its system of water works and the Village to receive the same," and also the provisions of an act of the General Assembly of 1912 entitled "An Act to incorporate the Henry W. Putnam Memorial Hospital."

Article 2. To see if the Village will vote to accept the proposed amendments to its charter as set forth in a bill entitled "An Act in Amendment of and Addition to the Charter of the Village of Bennington, now pending before the General Assembly, if and when the same shall be passed with incidental amendments, if any there may be, and become a law.

Article 3. To transact any other business found necessary when met. Dated this 20th day of December, A. D., 1912.

D. A. Ward, Village President.
William P. Hogan, Village Clerk.

NOTICE

Members of Board of Trade are requested to send in their annual dues \$1.00 to the Secretary, E. S. Harris, before Jan. 1st, in order to save the expense of sending around a collector, and facilitate the making out the report of the officers.

W. H. Nichols, Chairman Board Directors
F. E. Howe, President.

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