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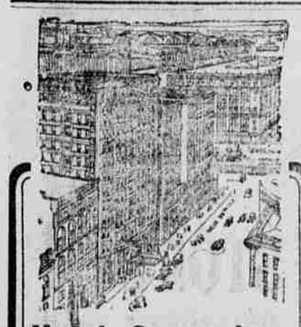

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DORSET

Wm. Batchelder finished work Saturday as clerk in the post office.

J. T. Safford is confined in his home on South Main street with lumbago.

R. B. Gleason of Manchester Center is baling hay for C. B. Gilbert on the West Road.

Miss Anna Childs left Saturday to attend the funeral of a relative in Worcester, Mass.

Merritt Chapman is attending County Court in Bennington, being drawn as a juror.

County Game Warden E. S. Higgins of Bennington was in town Wednesday and Thursday on official business.

The lucky deer hunters last week were Mark Fisher, Calvin Sheldon and George Rogers. Each hunter secured a fine buck.

Deacon and Mrs. Eugene Simmons returned Wednesday from a three weeks' visit with relatives in Fort Edward and Troy.

Mrs. S. S. Pratt of Brooklyn, N. Y., is spending several days in town at J. H. Sheldon's. Her son Thomas, who accompanied her, returned Sunday afternoon.

The summer season was officially closed last Thursday noon. The A. W. Harrington's closed their summer home on Church street and returned to Troy for the winter.

There will be an old-fashioned dance in School hall Friday evening, Dec. 10th for the benefit of Wilson Reed. An orchestra consisting of Fred Weeks, Perry M. Peltier and Smith Matson will furnish music.

A number of children, under the direction of Miss Anna Carhart, are holding rehearsals in the church in preparation for the Christmas exercises. The program will be published in next weeks issue of The Banner.

William Batchelder, aged 70, a native of Dorset, died Saturday, Dec. 4th in Haverhill, Mass. He moved to Haverhill when a young man and engaged in the jewelry business, retiring several years ago. He is survived by his widow and two sons.

A. W. Phelon and Charles Connell are having the old building in the rear of the store repaired and a platform built. On completion of the alterations they intend to run a grain store in connection with their general merchandise store. F. K. Manley is doing the work, assisted by his son Ernest.

Frank Lake met with a painful accident on Pea street while on his way home from the village Monday evening by being run into by a team driven by Waldo Tift. Mr. Lake, being very deaf, did not hear the team approaching, neither did Mr. Tift see him on account of it being an extremely dark night. Mr. Lake received several cuts and bruises in addition to being severely shaken up by the collison.

The Henry Family, a stock company that has visited Dorset several times are playing a three days engagement in School hall this week. Beginning Monday evening a large audience withnessed "The Living Chance." Last evening, "A Battle of Wits" was played before nearly as large an audience that greeted the company on Monday night. Tonight "Just Meg from Mayo" will be played which will conclude the engagement.

Notices have been posted for the annual meeting of the Maple Hill cemetery association to be held in School hall Monday evening, December 13 at 7.30 p. m. To transact the following business: To hear the report of officers, to elect five trustees, to take action on any questions that may come before the meeting regarding or pertaining to the management, alterations, or improvements that may be suggested for the benefit of the association; to transact any other business that may properly and legally come before the meeting in accordance with the charter and by-laws of the association. J. H. Sheldon, secretary.

A regular meeting of the Dorset Grange was held Wednesday evening. The annual election of officers was held and the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Worthy Master, Frederick F. Gilbert, Jr., overseer, Roland Harrington; steward, Alfred Palmer; lecturer, Mrs. Rose L. Kent; chaplain, Mrs. Rose Tobin; gate keeper, Perry M. Peltier; secretary, Rufus S. Gilbert; Pomona, Mrs. Ethel Kerr Gilbert; Ceres, Alma Pratt; Flora, Miss Anna Childs; assistant steward, Samuel Harwood; lady assistant, Hazel Seymour. A committee consisting of H. R. Davis, Mrs. W. W. Fahenstock, and Hazel Seymour were chosen to have charge of the program at the next meeting. The following committee, Mrs. John Peltier, Mrs. J. T. Safford, and Mrs. John Fisher was appointed to work in conjunction with the church and school committees for the Community Christmas tree to be erected on the village green during Christmas eve. The committee on Home Missions elected was as follows: Mrs. Wm. Batchelder, Mrs. Grant Matson, Mrs. C. P. Kent.

NORTH WHITE CREEK

Mrs. James Bennett and son Ernest visited Troy by automobile Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry Hill is visiting her niece Mrs. George Potter of Cambridge.

Edward Bailey spent Saturday night and Sunday with Rollin Hannah of Center Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. I. Scriven of Shushan spent Sunday at Thomas Herrington.

NORTH BENNINGTON

The private dance which was to be given in Bank hall Friday evening, Dec. 10th is postponed until New Year's eve, Dec. 31st.

SOUTH SHAFTSBURY

Miss Stella Hawkins is visiting her sister, Mrs. Charles Everest in New Haven, Vt.

Mrs. Arthur C. Dunham was in Bennington Saturday.

Miss Agnes Whipple was home from Bennington over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clark Loomis of North Bennington visited at David Hill's Sunday.

Orlando Dwinell of Arlington is spending the winter with his daughter, Mrs. David Hill.

"Arlington in 1791" the play written by Dorothy Canfield Fisher, will be given at Cole Hall Friday evening, December 17 under the auspices of South Shaftsbury Graded school.

Mrs. Frank Harris does not gain as rapidly as her friends wish she might.

The Lend-a-Hand wish to thank all who helped in any way to make the fair a success and it was a great success as about $130 was made.

The Sunday school have decided to send the money, usually spent on the Christmas tree, across the water to be used for the needy there.

SOUTH ARLINGTON

Harry Tooney spent Thanksgiving with his parents in Massachusetts.

Joseph Guber and son Henry each secured a fine doe here the past week.

Misses Mary and Anna Guben of Cambridge spent over Sunday with their parents.

John Hart for many years a resident of this place and vicinity died at his brother's home in Massachusetts December 1st where he went on a visit about six weeks ago. The deceased was about seventy-eight years of age and is also survived by two sisters.

EAST ARLINGTON

Roger O'Brian was in Troy on business Friday.

Mrs. Margaret Mann passed Tuesday in Bennington.

The Enterprise society met Tuesday with Mrs. H. R. Lawrence.

Burton Hard of Manchester passed Sunday in town with his brother, S. F. Hard.

Miss Edna Ennis of Manchester passed Sunday in town with her parents.

Miss Sadie Smith, who has been spending two weeks in New York, returned home Saturday.

Mrs. Georgia Safford, who has been quite ill for a few days, is reported a little better at this time.

Prosper E. Deschenes, who has been at St. Albans during his father's illness and death, returned home Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Houghton left Saturday for Ticonderoga to visit a sister of Mrs. Houghton's who is seriously ill.

Among the lucky deer hunters of the last few days of the season were Norman Mattison Frank Dunlap and Joe Bartlette.

Mrs. Everett Squires, who has been spending a few days at Bennington with her husband's parents, returned home Wednesday.

Myron Cole is enlarging his store again. This time he is raising the roof to make more room on the second floor. Frank Bromley is clerking for him during the holidays.

GREEN MOUNTAIN VALLEY

Alfred Harbour was in Bennington Saturday.

S. E. Sherman was in Bennington Saturday.

Charles Crantson is assisting W. O. Burt with farm work.

Mr. and Mrs. David Robinson were in Bennington the past week.

Grant Bronson was auto driving in the place Tuesday on business.

Ernest Harrington and wife were shopping in Bennington Saturday.

Herbert Stratton has employment with James Silk, building a bungalow.

Deaconess Mary is boarding with Mrs. William P. Montgomery at present.

J. W. Pierce and Robert Turner of Bennington were in the place Sunday.

Fred Wood of Bennington was in Green Mountain Valley the past week.

Mrs. Solomon Niles visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Truman Waite recently.

Joseph Tessier has built a very nice convenient Bungalow at South Shaftsbury and moved in to it.

Deaconess Mary is boarding with house to house calls. Her very kindly and pleasant ways make her welcome. She is doing great good.

Miss Jessie and Isabel Grant, teachers at Maple Hill and Harrington districts are boarding with Mrs. Gilbert Twitchell.

There will be a service at the Red school house next Sunday, Dec. 12 conducted by Howard A. James of Floral Park, L. I. Mr. James has been in Green Mountain Valley the past two seasons when on his vacation in Bennington. Let a large attendance welcome Mr. James.

BENNINGTON BRIEFS

News of the Town and Village Told Briefly for Busy Readers

Dexter's bread and cakes fresh every day at McCue's. Adv.

Don't forget the sale at St. Peter's Parish house tomorrow. Adv.

Little Mary Pickford in "Esmeralda", Harte Theatre today. Adv.

Ladies' get one of those new dresses only $3.25 at the New York store. Adv.

Miss Ella Cummings has returned from Troy where she has been visiting the past few days.

Just received new styles in ladies' skirts, new fall materials only $1.98, value $2.50 at the New York store. Adv.

The production of "The Birth of a Nation" is complete at each performance. Harte Theatre Thursday. Adv.

Miriam Rebekah Lodge will hold a card social in Odd Fellows' Temple Thursday evening, Dec. 9 from 8 to 10 o'clock. Admission 15c. Adv.

Dr. and Mrs. S. R. Wilcox are entertaining their daughter and son-in-law, Dr. and Mrs. E. B. Pierce from Michigan, during the Christmas holidays.

All the young women of the Baptist church, including the teachers will be interested in what Mr. Towart has to say tonight at the social in the church parlors.

Lewis Hart of Bradford place announces the marriage of his daughter Martha Hart to Howell Bennett of Trenton, N. J., which took place September 1, 1915 in Troy.

Miss Ella Murray of Gage street was pleasantly surprised by about 20 of her friends Tuesday evening. Games and dancing were enjoyed and the evening's entertainment completed with a buffet lunch.

Mrs. Edgar L. Holden of the local telephone exchange won the 26-piece chest of Alvin silver offered by A. R. VonDette, the jeweler, for the best title for an illustration issued by the company. Adv.

Election of officers for 1916 will be the order of business at the Sons of Veterans meeting Wednesday evening (tonight) at G. A. R. hall 8 o'clock sharp. Every member please attend.

America's most powerful dramatic star, Wilton Lackaye in a masterly portrayal of a difficult dual role, in the tremendously dramatic five-part masterpiece, "The Man of Shame," opera house, tomorrow. Adv.

Miss Grace King, Malden, Mass., will demonstrate the construction of the "Triple Tread" rubbers in the show window of A. Drysdale & Son Thursday afternoon and evening, Dec. 9th. Adv.

The clock has been moved ahead ——(?) years just for tonight and the young women of the Baptist church will participate in the joys of political life. At the church parlors at 7.45 promptly. Come and shout for your party.

The Nichols & Warren Company are pressing all their available electricians into service this week, having secured the contract for the wiring of the Thorpe block recently completed in Hoosick Falls, which was destroyed by fire.

Today is the last opportunity to witness the two clever vaudeville acts at the opera house, The Three Guys in their singing, talking and musical novelty, "Minstrelsy a La Carte" and Reed & Wright in an upside-down acrobatic novelty. Adv.

The plate-glass window in Firth's barber shop cracked spontaneously yesterday. This is the third pane of glass which has given way within the past year. Some strain which falls across the front of the building evidently bears on the glass and the vibration of the trolley cars sends a crack through it.

Many of the men working on the electric trunk line from Zylonite into the village have been laid off for a few days until the transformers arrive for the local electric station. About all that remains is the placing of these and connections of the trunk wires with the local house to turn Bennington machinery with Deerfield River current.

About 20 members of the Cole and Hathaway families sat down to a venison dinner at the home of Grant L. Harbour on Grandview street yesterday noon. The occasion took the form of a small family reunion and an opportunity to enjoy the deer meat recently procured by some of the men of the families in this locality.

The 26-piece chest of Alvin silver which has been on exhibition in the window of the VonDette jewelry store and which was offered as a prize for the best title for an illustration issued by the company was won by Mrs. Edgar L. Holden of the local telephone exchange. Mrs. Holden's title may be seen and read at the store. Adv.

The women of St. Peter's Parish are to hold a Christmas sale at the Parish house Thursday afternoon and evening. There will be a table of choice bargains at 50 cents each, an apron table, home made cake and candy and there will be several attractions for the children, a parcel post department and afternoon tea will be served, cake and ice cream will be on sale, both afternoon and evening. Adv.

The Converse Rubber shoe company, Malden, Mass., will give a demonstration in the making of "The Triple Tread" rubbers in the show window of A. Drysdale & Son Thursday afternoon and evening, Dec. 9th. Para and Ceylon, the rubber that is used in Triple Tread Rubbers, are the highest grades. Triple Tread with red purr gum tap heel and leather heel seat. This adds two-fold to the service. Adv.

WEST RUPERT

Abe Smith, an old and respected resident of the town, is very sick.

James Morey of Schenectady spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Grant Morey.

Mr and Mrs. Jay Wilson are the happy parents of a 11 1-2 lb boy, born last Friday.

Mr and Mrs. Wm. Parker of Buffalo have been visiting relatives and friends here several days. Both are former residents of this place and are greeted with many a hearty hand shake.

Albert Sheldon and John Perkins went to Bennington Tuesday morning as jurors while S. H. Hay and other town officials went to look after the interests of our town in regard to the changing the road of Rupert mountain and other town business.

The deer season closed last Saturday. On that day one was killed by Merritt Horton, George Snow, Willie Knights making a total on the west side of the town, we bleieve, of 36. Your correspondent was kindly remembered by a fine roast of venison from George Knights, Jay Wilson, Myron Sherman, Sheldon Hay, Sam Hay and Albert Boyington for which he expresses many thanks.

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