

The chapel bell at the Soldiers' Home will ring every week day at 11:45 a. m. during the summer.

An exchange says that "whaling" has gone out, but whether an industry of the north seas is meant or that of the country school house, does not appear.

The price of the SEMI-WEEKLY BANNER is two cents per copy. To subscribers the price is the same, \$1.50 per year, and there is no difference in the clubbing rates.

We notice that H. W. Scott has been shipping, to-day, a number of his felling mills, the best in the world. This would indicate that there is a little business done even in these hard times.

The Eagle Square Company of South Shaftsbury have secured the contract to build the addition to the Soldiers' Home hospital and will commence it immediately. It will contain extra rooms 9x9, and extend north about midway of the present building.

JOHN CONE, while putting in sewer pipe, was severely injured on the head while bending down to adjust some pipe, by a lot of stone falling on him. His head was cut in several places, and it was some time before he recovered consciousness.

BISHOP HALL, in response to an invitation to be here three days of this week, and to preach for the Knights Templars Ascension Day, writes that he is engaged until July 1st, and regrets he cannot come. He will, however, visit St. Peter's later in the season, of which due notice will be given.

Dr. F. W. GOODALL's condition continues to improve and he is able to sit up a portion of each day. This will be good news, not only to his friends here, but to people in the north-east part of Vermont, where he formerly resided, and enjoyed a large practice.

The new hymnal of the Episcopal church, will come into general use in St. Peter's church, this village, commencing next week. We are inclined to think that our people prefer, for the musical hymnal, that of Dr. C. L. Hutchins. Both the Tucker and Hutchins have heretofore been in use.

JOSEPH DANIELS, late sergeant Co. K, 2nd Vermont regiment and Serrill Brusenn, late Co. A, 8th Vermont, have been dismissed from the Soldiers' Home for repeated drunkenness. It is a pity that the old veterans of the Home are able to buy whiskey in town with so little trouble, that discipline of this kind becomes necessary.

On Friday afternoon, May 4th, at 4 o'clock, Miss Sheldon, a graduate from the Emerson College of Oratory, will be glad to meet at the rooms of the Young Women's Club, all who are interested in physical culture. As Miss Sheldon desires to form a class in physical culture, she will explain her work and give some of her exercises.

OUR readers should remember that the clubbing rates of the Weekly Tribune with the SEMI-WEEKLY BANNER are \$1.50 per year, and that a person with this combination has almost a library of current literature at command. The two pages of market reports in the Tribune, especially, is worth more than the combination costs, while the opportunity to get all the local news twice each week is something desirable.

FOSTER, the "weather prophet," in the Troy Press, gives the following: "Warm waves will cross the Western mountains about April 27th and May 2nd, the great central valleys about April 29th and May 4th, and the Eastern States about May 1st and 6th. Cool waves will cross the Western mountains about April 30th and May 5th, the great central valleys about May 2nd and 7th, and the Eastern States about May 4th and 9th. May will average warmer than usual. The first half will average more above the normal temperature than the last half. Rainfall of the month will be about the general average in the great central valleys and the Eastern States, except within 200 miles east of the Rocky Mountains, where rainfall will be below the general average. Most rain will fall during the last half of the month. The hottest weather will occur in front of the storm wave that will cross the continent from the 9th to the 13th, moving eastward."

SPECIAL BUSINESS LOCALS.

OUR readers will bear in mind that the SEMI-WEEKLY BANNER and New York Weekly Tribune are furnished, both papers for \$1.50 per year in advance. There is no combination that can equal this offer.

LOST.—Tuesday evening, April 17, a gold bracelet, with bangle attached, on which was a letter B. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving the same with Harrison I. Norton, at 450, Main street.

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DR. WILLIAM HORNE.

Dr. William Horne, who for a dozen years has been one of the most prominent editors of, and writers for, medical journals, writing in May of last year, said:

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"For five years I have been afflicted, each season with excessive nervousness; so sensitive was I that any little noise caused me to start and flutter. This extreme nervous condition induced an unpleasant affliction of eczema, a partly nervous disease with me. For five seasons I have been full of itching, red, eruptive spots. Three weeks ago this condition came upon me again, but with much more excessive nervous prostration. I commenced taking the Paine's celery compound. My unpleasant ner-

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I enclose the case of Mr. Littlejohn of Janesville, Wis. "Some four years ago last June, Mr. Littlejohn complained to me of a peculiar sensation in his head and neck, right side. I examined him closely and told him he had a blood clot at the base of the brain, I thought, or a small tumor pushing upon the nerves at the base of



MR. LITTLEJOHN.

the brain. I recommended him to one of the best physicians, Dr. J. B. W. Went, and the doctor made his diagnosis. I saw the doctor the next day, and he said he had found some undue pressure at the base of the brain. Dr. W.'s diagnosis was the same as my own, although we had neither of us known anything about the other's diagnosis. There was some uneasy twitchings of the facial muscles on the right side, and especially on the right eye.

"Mr. Littlejohn seemed to be completely unbalanced and 'jerked,' and quite unsteady. This is a truthful statement of Mr. Littlejohn's condition. He tried every conceivable remedy, by the recommendation of some eight or ten physicians in Janesville, Chicago, and Milwaukee and other places. All the treatment failed to relieve him. I recommended Paine's celery compound.

"He tried it, and by a steady, persistent use of the celery compound, he completely cured himself of the worst case of extreme nervous prostration and excitability that I ever saw. Mr. Littlejohn informs me that he has spent over \$5,000 in doctoring, without good. He thoroughly tried celery compound. It completely cured him."

Mr. Littlejohn himself writes: "I have been a traveling man for a great many years, and the exposures and worry that follow business transactions, caused me to break down with nervous prostration so that for several days they thought I was dying. Besides this, I had the creeping paralysis in my left arm, hand and side so that they were almost entirely useless, and I had a most severe case of darrh to the extent that it almost destroyed my eyesight and ruined my hearing. I had no sense of taste whatever for two years. I had all this so that I was used completely up for five years, so you can judge of my condition. And after all of these doctors failing, I finally cured myself by using Paine's celery compound."

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ARBOR DAY.

In appointing Wednesday, May 9th, as Arbor Day, Gov. Fuller says: Our people, and especially the teachers and scholars of our public schools, are urged to so observe the day that its results may be felt widely each succeeding year.

The formation of Village Improvement Societies, in the smaller, as well as the large communities, will do very much toward making our State yet more pleasant, attractive and healthful.

Nothing is more prejudicial to the material interests of the State than the destruction of our forests, while nothing is more conducive to the beauty of the landscape, the charm of the home, or to the future value of the soil, than the judicious planting of trees and shrubbery.

The cultivation of forests—extensive, far-sighted arboriculture—has become in many States a settled policy that our citizens would do well to emulate.

Bare slopes and hill-tops, parched and dry in the hot summer sun, would thus, in time, be again covered with the growing vegetation, which would shelter and sustain the lessening rills that feed our falling streams; while the wanton fire and careless axe should be guarded against, the care and protection of the flower, plant and tree encouraged, that, in our waving pines the insignia and traditions with which our State has come down to us, may be perpetuated to later generations.

NEWS AND NOTES.

—These are pleasant times for a vacation, if the coal miners of the country like to take it; but any other result of their contemplated strike would seem to be exceedingly improbable. Cleveland wages have come to stay until a political earthquake hits entrenched Bourbonism at Washington.

—Senator Hill has been greatly complimented by the American News Company. The firm has placed on sale the Senator's speech against the income tax. Only once before has this been done. Sumner's speech against Grant's San Domingo policy was published in the same form. The friends of Hill in the House and Senate are very much pleased over the affair, and a great many copies have been purchased by them. The pamphlet is sold at five cents.

—The man with a proclivity for getting figures ought to take a census of the Coxey armies and ascertain the exact number of American citizens in the army.

Wedding Bells.

BRAISTED—MURPHY.

The marriage of Adelbert W. Braisted, confidential clerk of H. W. Putnam, to Laura B. Murphy, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wm. E. Murphy, occurred this afternoon at 2.30 o'clock at the home of the bride's parents on Main street. Rev. Chas. R. Seymour of the Second-Congregational church officiated. None but the families were present. The bridal party left at 3.05 p. m., for a wedding trip of several days.

BLEALOCK—TOWNSHEND.

Miss Jean Blealock, the acknowledged belle of Springfield, Mass., and well known to many of our society people, was married, Wednesday, to Orval Pool Townshend of Washington, a son of the late Congressman Townshend of Illinois. The ceremony was performed in the Church of the Unity, at high twelve, by Rev. Bradley Gilman, in the presence of a large and fashionable audience. The church was handsomely decorated green and white being the prevailing colors. The altar rail was beautifully trimmed with Easter lilies, gonquils, hyacinths, and palms.

The bride was in a charming gown of white satin cut en train, trimmed with duchess lace. Her veil was caught with orange blossoms and she carried lilies of the valley. She wore a pin of diamonds, rubies and sapphires, the gift of the groom, and diamond ornaments. The maid of honor was Miss Ethel Childs of this village. She was dressed in a dainty gown of French green satin, trimmed with white lace and pearls. She carried a bouquet of ferns and roses. Her gift was a gold pin set with emeralds and diamonds. There were five bridesmaids, Lucy Childs of this village being the first. Their dresses were of white swiss over white lace. They wore leg-horn hats trimmed with maiden hair ferns and each carried a bouquet of maiden hair ferns and white carnations. The best man was Sprigg Camden, son of Senator Camden of West Virginia. There were five ushers among them being W. C. Gallinger, son of Senator Gallinger of New Hampshire.

During the ceremony the organ was played softly, and at the end of the prayer Mendelssohn's hymn was sung by the choir.

After the ceremony was a reception and wedding breakfast at the Massasoit house at which forty-five relatives and intimate friends were present. A pleasing feature of this occasion was the announcement of the engagement of Miss Childs, the maid of honor, to Hammond Talbot of New York.

The presents to the bride were many and costly. The groom presented the best man and ushers with gold scarf pins set with precious stones. The favors to the bridesmaids were gold pins set with pearls. Among those present from out of town were A. P. Childs and wife of this village, M. and Mrs. William Hall, Troy. The wedding trip will extend over a period of several weeks.

Ascension Day.

The services of Ascension Day in St. Peter's church, as already announced, will be the celebration of the Holy Communion at 10, a. m., Thursday of this week, and in the evening at 7.30, the Rev. Mr. Jewett, rector of St. Paul's church, Albany, N. Y., will preach.

The programme of the evening service is as follows: Processional Hymn, No. 116, Gloria Patri, Service Book, Magnificat, Nunc Dimittis, "Hail the Day," Hymn No. 117, Sermon by Rev. F. Garretson Jewett, Jr., of St. Paul's church, Albany, N. Y., Offertory, "Golden Harps are Sounding," Recessional Hymn, No. 494, Holden

—A great Southern exhibition has been announced for 1897. Something of that same sort is now being held at Washington, but it will adjourn in time for the later one.

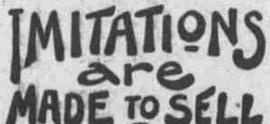
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