

HINSDALE, N. H.

Death of Dr. Walter G. Stebbins. Dr. Walter G. Stebbins, aged 28, son of the late John M. Stebbins, a former resident of Hinsdale, died Sunday in the city hospital at Boston of diphtheria. He was temporarily acting as assistant physician in the hospital when he contracted the dread disease in his visits to the diphtheria wards. The funeral was at Springfield, Mass., Monday. The body was brought here for burial in the lot of the late Gov. Hildreth of New Hampshire, where Dr. Stebbins' father and four brothers are buried. A special car carrying 25 friends and the honorary bearers came on from Springfield. Dr. Stebbins was born in Springfield, and in 1886 graduated from Yale college. The Springfield Republican says: "Law first attracted him, but while pursuing his studies his father suffered from a long illness, which resulted fatally. While caring for his father Mr. Stebbins developed an aptitude for nursing which led him to decide on becoming a physician. Entering Harvard medical school in 1888, he was graduated in 1891, and was soon chosen house officer in the Boston city hospital, the selection being made by competitive examination. He served there 18 months, and for six months had practical work in the lying-in hospital. He had recently planned to pursue further his medical studies in Vienna and Berlin. Dr. Stebbins was a member of Memorial church. He had refined tastes and scholarly instincts that interested him in special studies. His sympathies were broad, and a tender solicitude for the welfare of those entrusted to his professional care was for him affectionate interest." Dr. Stebbins' mother and his brother, Lawyer F. H. Stebbins, are now living in Springfield.

Farmers are harvesting what apples are left on their trees.

Chapin is in Holyoke and Northampton for a few days.

Mrs. Edward Stebbins is quite low, with but little hope of her recovery.

E. A. Worden is putting a new cellar under his house on Canal street.

Mr. and Mrs. M. V. Colton have gone on a carriage drive to Ludlow, Vt.

L. A. Parks' shop is to be raised three feet. O. H. Higgins is doing the work.

Miss Mary Curran has moved her dressing room to her home on Canal street.

Throckwell's People's Theatre company went from here to Springfield, Vt., to play this week.

Andrew Chamberlain has moved from Mrs. L. P. Wise's tenement into Wallace Bailey's tenement.

M. H. Hardwell is making some repairs on his Canal street house, putting in a new front door and porch.

Thomas Hannon from West Dummerston, Vt., is visiting his sisters, Mrs. S. C. Smith and Mrs. M. Purcell.

E. V. Aldrich and wife returned Monday from Sugar Hill, where they have been employed at the Sunset Hill House.

Miss Alice Bacon, who has been spending the summer at her home in Bolton, Vt., has returned to the millinery store of C. E. Keyon.

George M. Wright is building a house on Northfield street, and intends putting up more in the spring. Warren Hall is doing the work.

Rev. H. E. Lesh and Miss Phila Barrows attended the Universalist state convention at Nashua last week. Miss Barrows read an interesting paper on primary work in the Sunday school, which was highly commended.

Mr. James of West Swaney has leased the meat market of A. S. Atwood, and took possession Tuesday. Mr. Atwood will return to Maine and take up his former profession of dentistry.

Miss Emma L. Cooper of Lebanon, who has been visiting friends in town for a fortnight, was called home suddenly Thursday last week by the news of the dangerous illness of her father, Chas. H. Cooper, who was for many years a resident of Hinsdale.

Mr. T. Carpenter was ordained pastor of the Baptist church on Wednesday afternoon of last week. Sermon by Rev. A. W. Hand, Keene; ordaining prayer, Rev. W. W. Hackett; charge, Rev. W. Hurlin; hand of fellowship, Rev. C. F. Clarke, West Swaney; address to church, Rev. F. J. Parry, Brattleboro.

These conveyances in Hinsdale were reported at the Cheshire county registry from Sept. 16 to Oct. 1: Chas. F. Polley to Wm. G. Smith, land and buildings, \$200; Wm. G. Smith to Martha E. Polley, land and buildings, \$200; Wm. P. Cunningham to Edward T. Cunningham, land and buildings, \$1; Geo. H. Bailey to Stella M. Harris, land, \$450; Delinda Morin to Elsie A. Worden, spring of water, \$100; Gilbert Richmond to Thomas J. Raleigh, land, \$200.

A long-time resident of Hinsdale passed away in the death of James Archibald, which occurred Friday. Mr. Archibald was a native of Scotland but for over 30 years had been employed here as a spinner and overseer in the Halle, Frost & Co.'s mill. He was a man of quiet manners but of strict integrity. He leaves a widow and two children, a son, John J., who will succeed his father as overseer in the mill, and Mrs. Chas. Whitaker, wife of the landowner of the Farren House at Turners Falls, Mass.

NEW HAMPSHIRE NOTES.

The wife of Dr. Geo. B. Twitchell of Keene died suddenly of heart disease Saturday, aged 66. Her father was Gideon F. Thayer, founder of the famous Chauncey Hall school in Boston. Her husband, two sons, who are both physicians, and three daughters survive her.

The annual review and inspection of the Keene fire department occurred Friday. The several companies and their apparatus made an excellent appearance, and the practice was highly commended upon by numbers of visiting firemen. In the evening the firemen and invited guests had a banquet at the Cheshire House.

The Keene Sentinel appears this week in a handsome new dress of type, and is printed on a new Cox Duplex press. The daily edition has been enlarged to six and the weekly to 10 pages. The new dress signifies the removal of the concern to the handsome new Sentinel building which has been erected on the old Davis & Wright corner near the railroad station.

M. L. Landers, who was sandbagged on the streets of Keene the night of Sept. 29 and robbed of \$150 in cash and two checks, has recovered the money. It was found in a drawer in his store with a lot of rubber boots. The pocket book was lying on top of the boots. Mr. Landers' stock was overhauled Oct. 2, when an inventory was taken, and the money was put in the drawer after that day. It is supposed that the thieves became frightened at the efforts made to detect them.

There is a period of foetal life when the whole body consists of white tissue, and therefore the unborn child is especially susceptible to the dread disease. But there is a remedy for scrofula, whether hereditary or acquired. Hood's Sarsaparilla, which by its powerful effect on the blood, expels all traces of the disease and restores to the vital fluid the quality and color of health. If you decide to use Hood's Sarsaparilla do not accept any substitute.

NORTHFIELD, MASS.

Mrs. Dewey is in Boston, spending a few weeks with her daughter, Mrs. Barr. The training school is well under way, with the same corps of teachers and about 70 students.

Dr. N. P. Wood and Russel Callender attended the Republican state convention last Saturday as delegates.

Mrs. Brown of Amherst is spending a week with her sister, Mrs. Chas. Alexander, while her husband and son are in Chicago.

The Unitarian Sunday school give their annual holiday concert in the church next week Sunday evening, beginning at 7 o'clock.

The Republicans will hold a grand rally in the town hall Monday evening, Oct. 23. Col. C. L. Young of Springfield and others will speak.

"Mountain Day" was given to the semi-yearly young ladies last Friday, and they improved every moment of the glorious October weather.

Mrs. Geo. Moody, her son Ambert, and daughter Julia, and Mr. Needham started for the World's Fair Tuesday. Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Ware are there at the present time.

During the morning service at the Unitarian church last Sunday the little son of Mr. and Mrs. Whitaker of Wymond, N. J., grandson of Rev. Mr. Piper, was christened by the pastor.

A course of entertainments will be given at the seminary during the fall and winter, to which the public will be admitted. The first entertainment will be given at Stone hall next Monday evening, and will consist of a pianoforte lecture recited by the blind pianist, Edward Baxter Perry of Boston.

READSBORO.

One Day's Doings.

Monday was full of incidents. At 9 o'clock in the forenoon, Lorenzo Maroni, one of the principal Italian residents of this village, was married at the Catholic church to Barbara, daughter of Frank Tergal. A reception was held in the evening which was attended by the Italian band, a portion of the Readsboro band, the Roman Catholic people, and a good sprinkling of the "native" residents.

About 10 o'clock A. M., fireburst out of the steam mill owned by the Newtons. This was being used as a storehouse for rags and paper stock, and was hoisted up, which hindered the efforts of the firemen. The entire department was called out, and the fire was fought stubbornly, and was finally subdued, it being confined to the mill. Most of the machinery and paper stock were saved in a damaged condition. Several of the firemen are under the doctor's care from breathing the smoke and cinders.

The funeral of Alva G. Fay, a prominent lawyer of the village, was held at the Methodist church at 1 o'clock. The sermon was delivered by the Rev. Mr. McKenzie of Wilmington. Mr. Fay was buried under the auspices of the order of Odd Fellows, and the bearers were members of the bar and of this order.

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A Voice from Brooklyn.

My wife and I have been greatly benefited by Dr. H. C. Miller's Kidney Pills. It has been especially useful to my wife in the removal of Cancer of the breast. Jos. Woolson, 1167 Fulton street, Brooklyn, N. Y.

Poisoned by Scrofula.

In the sad story of many lives made miserable through no fault of their own. Scrofula is more especially than any other hereditary disease, a danger to the unborn child. Arising from impure and insufficient blood, the disease locates itself in the lymphatics, which are composed of white

Every Household Should Contain Bibles. The fact is that in these days of diffuse education every home requires a library quite as much as it requires a parlor or a kitchen. What sort of books will you have in your home library? A library is like a garden, it grows by cultivation. Like the family to which it belongs, it develops day by day, year by year. First among its must-be's is a good Cyclopaedia. There are always arising occasions when the intelligent person finds it advisable to go to some authority in order to get matter straight in his mind. Nobody's memory can retain everything one ought to know. Benson J. Lossing, the historian, says that Johnson's Cyclopaedia will answer more questions than a library of 10,000 volumes. All its articles are treated by specialists, besides being the latest Cyclopaedia published. Dr. Holton gives his opinion as follows:

BRATTLEBORO, Vt., June 19, 1893.

I have examined the revised edition of Johnson's Cyclopaedia of 1893, and have no doubt that it is one of the most desirable works of its kind ever published. HENRY D. HOLTON.

Any one wishing more particulars can address Wm. E. Johnson, East Putney, Vt., or Brooks House, Brattleboro, Vt.

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A GREAT WILL CASE.

The Most Important Ever Heard Before the New Jersey Courts.

How H. B. Smith Deserted His Family at Woodstock to Live With an Adventuress—A Son Makes a Fortune for Himself and Returns to Vindicate His Mother's Good Name.

The final arguments in the most important will case that has ever been before the courts of New Jersey will be heard in January in the term that opens in a few days. The will is that of the late Hezekiah B. Smith, congressman from the second district of New Jersey, subsequently state senator, and a wealthy manufacturer at Smithville. Mr. Smith was born in Woodstock, this state, and at an early age developed mechanical ingenuity. He learned the carpenter's trade and later became a machinist. He had a small factory in Woodstock and controlled several valuable patents. When a young man Mr. Smith eloped from Woodstock with Eveline Verona English, daughter of a farmer, and they were married in Boston. They returned to Woodstock and pursued the even tenor of their way for a number of years. Four children were born to them. Woodstock did not offer good advantages for Mr. Smith's business, and when about 18 years old he selected Lowell, Mass., as the field of his operations. The oldest son, Elton, entered his father's office at Lowell. It was agreed that Mrs. Smith, the daughter and two younger sons should stay in Woodstock until the Lowell business was on a good footing. In Lowell the son Elton was presented by his father to a charming girl of 16, Agnes Gilkerson, who was then attending school. She acted out of school as Mr. Smith's amanuensis, and was often seen riding or at the theatre with him. After finishing her school course at Lowell Miss Gilkerson was sent by Mr. Smith to Philadelphia, where she graduated from a medical college. When Smith first went to Lowell he wrote regularly each week to his wife at Woodstock and sent her money; but these letters grew less and less frequent, their tone changed to that of coldness, and finally they ceased altogether. Miss Gilkerson returned to Lowell from Philadelphia and established an office as a practical nurse. On an account of her relations with her guardian she received the cut from her former companions. The result was that Mr. Smith and his paramour sought pastures green and he bought an old brick building at Sherverville, N. J., which had been used as a cotton mill. Smith moved his manufacturing business there, formed a stock company which he controlled, and the name of the village was changed to Smithville. An old mansion was fitted up for the abode of Smith and Miss Gilkerson. From time to time the mansion was added to until now it is one of the strangest of architectural freaks. Around the grounds a massive wall of brick some eight feet in height, surmounted by a crenelated and double row of massive iron spikes. Admission to the grounds is gained through a gate of iron, and iron statues of Indians aiming their arrows and flourishing their tomahawks, and of illustrious patriots, are scattered about the grounds. Adjoining the main mansion is an annex, which contains a bowling alley, bar room, billiard room, immense dining room, and a conservatory which looks out upon a deer park. It was in this annex that Mr. Smith and his political associates held high carnival. After a time the friends of Miss Gilkerson in Lowell received cards announcing her marriage to Mr. Smith. Smith prospered financially, grew restless for political honors, and became a candidate for Congress. After being once defeated he was elected. The story of how he had deserted his wife and children in Vermont came out as a political scandal. After his election to Congress came Miss Gilkerson's time of triumph in social display at Washington and in the position which she had gained in New Jersey.

When Smith made his last visit to his wife at Woodstock, while he was yet at Lowell, he asked her if she had saved the letters he sent her as carefully as he had preserved hers. At his request she brought out these letters from an old trunk for him to read. When she reentered the room he was burning them. She remonstrated, and he said they were nothing but old letters and could do nobody good. When in Woodstock at this time Mr. Smith had a deed of the house in which the family lived drawn in Mrs. Smith's maiden name. He also placed \$200 in the local bank to her credit in this name. On returning to Lowell he told a friend that he had fixed it so that she must renounce his name by signing her own, but the officers of the bank, suspecting his real motive, and pitying her forlorn condition, took the responsibility to hand her the money without requiring a check. During all the long years that Mrs. Smith was obliged to care for herself and her children as a tailoress at Woodstock, until her second son became old enough to be of service to her. The third son had died.

Elton, the oldest son, went with his father to Smithville, and lived there until he was 20 years old. He detested Agnes Gilkerson and she despised him. One day he addressed Mr. Smith as father. This aroused the ire of Miss Gilkerson who was present and she cried, "Why do you call him father? He is not your father." Elton then told his father that the woman stated what was false or he (Elton) had no right to be there. He then demanded once for all to know whether Mr. Smith was his father. Mr. Smith, during it to end Miss Gilkerson, then replied that he did not know whether there was positive proof of his marriage to Elton's mother, and could not say whether Elton was his son. That night the young man packed his goods, and without saying a word of farewell left Smithville, became a sailor, and traveled around the world. While ashore at Savannah, Ga., he became a roustabout and worked lading the vessels with cotton. He was soon made foreman of the roustabouts, and on the death of his employer succeeded to the business. His record has been one of uninterrupted success. He is now one of the leading citizens of Savannah, and the lightning business of that city is largely in his hands. His fortune at the present time exceeds that of his father at the time of his death.

But to return to Smithville. Miss Gilkerson, for she was never married to Smith, the marriage cards being simply a blind, induced him to make a will giving all his property to her absolutely. Miss Gilkerson knew that there were no living witnesses to Smith's first marriage, that Mrs. Smith at Woodstock had no marriage license, and all the letters in which Smith acknowledged himself the husband of the Woodstock woman were supposed to have been destroyed. After his term in Congress Smith became a prominent figure in the politics of New Jersey. But time was his avenger. Smith's paramour grew ill, specialists pronounced the disease internal cancer, and after months of suffering she died in January, 1887. Smith was inconsolable. He sent her photograph to Italy and from it had a marble statue chiseled, which he imported and erected upon her flower-bed in his lawn. There it stands to the present day a witness to his senile and freakish fancy. In the following years the aged Don Juan held weekly carousals in his "frolic rooms" with his political as-

sociates. In November, 1887, he died from pneumonia at the age of 72.

Mr. Smith's will was allowed by the surrogate in New Jersey, and no notice was sent to the widow or children, but the son in Savannah learned the facts. Since he left home he had not exchanged a word with his father. He came to New Jersey and a petition of appeal from the decision of the surrogate was filed. The executors denied the status of the petitioners, and Judge Garrison in the orphan's court declined to hear the will case until properly settled. Thereupon a suit in dower was begun, and the jury rendered a verdict which was in favor of the wife and children, but this was set aside by the ordinary in the prerogative court. Another suit was begun to set aside the will for uncertainty, on the ground that the Tilden will was successfully attacked on this ground in the courts of New York.

Elton Smith says he does not propose to handle a cent of his father's money. "I am independent of it," he says, "but I am determined to vindicate my mother's good name, to establish my own and my brother's and sister's paternity."

Republican Veal.

Channey M. Dewey's Bright Remarks at the New York Republican State Convention.

"The people wanted a change, and they got it. It took them 20 years to make up their minds that they wanted a change, and it will take them about a year to decide to change back. In 30 years a new generation of voters has come upon the stage. They know nothing of the issues which gave rise to the organization of the Republican party. They know nothing of the struggles of Republicanism with secession and its triumphs. There is always an element fond of experiment. There is always the theorist and the crank, and a practical party will not have them. The young who want a change, the theorists, the cranks and the lunatics make a majority.

"Now they have the change, and the Democracy has the offices. The chairman of the Democratic state committee says the party stands for the overturning of the policy of protection and the laws that were placed on the statute books to protect the sanctity of the ballot. That party is said to be for the repeal of the Sherman silver purchase law, but what is it doing? Instead of doing its plain duty, to the amazement of Europe and the disgust of America, it has turned the hall of the United States Senate into a cave of the winds. It has been demonstrated that this is indeed a sentimental party. When the Republicans are in power the people have confidence in the government. When the Democrats are in power the people are filled with distrust. Twenty years of prosperity have been dissipated in a year. But the prodigals are returning to their father's house, and will continue to flock back in such numbers that the whole world will be drafted to supply Republican veal."

The October number of Worthington's magazine contains J. Stanley-Brown's second paper on the Pribiloff islands. He vividly portrays native life and scenes, and gives an interesting account of the character, amusements and occupations of the native sealers in those far-off islands. The paper is beautifully illustrated from photographs made by Mr. Brown. Mrs. Livermore concludes her papers on "Old Virginia." Nothing more noticeable or more interesting than these papers have appeared this year in any magazine, and they have attracted wide attention.

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