

THE PUTNEY COLUMN.

Solomon Silver Baffled.

Putney People Had Heard of His Game and His Famous Spectacles Found No Takers.

Solomon Silver, the "spurious spectacles" vendor, who was arrested and fined in Brattleboro recently for palming off worthless spectacles upon unsuspecting persons, attempted his untried art here Friday and Saturday, and was recognized as the person who found victims here a year ago in the same manner.

His method here was the same as he employed in Brattleboro. After offering soap for sale he would produce a pair of "gold-bowed" spectacles which he "found on the train" and which he would sell for one dollar "to get rid of them."

He was generally unsuccessful as regards his sales of both soap and spectacles as nearly all of our people were "on to" his game, having read the account in The Phoenix of his doings in Brattleboro. One man made himself the target for a volley of epithets when he accused Silver of being a fraud and remarked that he couldn't "fool all of the people all of the time."

One woman saw several pairs of spectacles in Silver's pockets. Silver was the victim of an amusing incident on the evening train on Monday. He had been to Brattleboro again and was returning to town north of here. Several Putney people were in the same car, including L. P. Bailey and J. W. Shelley. At an opportune time Mr. Bailey said in tones that could be heard in all parts of the car: "Say, Shelley, have you seen anything of my gold-bowed spectacles? I've lost them in the car." The spectacle man dropped his head into a newspaper and kept it there until he was safely past the Putney station.

Death of Harriet Mead Campbell.

An old landmark was removed last Friday by the death at Putney, N. H., of Harriet Mead Campbell, 87, an almost life-long resident of this town. Mrs. Campbell was born in July, 1810, but the place of her nativity is not known here. She came to Putney in early life and became a member of one of the leading families of the town. She taught in the village schools for a number of years with marked success. Capt. William Robertson was one of her pupils and the school was held for a time in the L of the house now occupied by E. Sanderson and H. Dickinson.

She married Clark Campbell, son of Dr. Alexander Campbell, who was a practitioner here for over 50 years, about the year 1833, and their home was with Dr. Campbell in the house where Dr. Clough lives. Mr. Campbell carried on his father's farm which at that time comprised a large share of the southern portion of the village. They had seven children, John, who was killed in the battle of the Wilderness; Alexander, who died in Putney; Elizabeth, wife of Deacon Warren Chandler of Windchendon, Mass.; Mrs. Emma Lovell, who lives with Mrs. Chandler; Fred, a prosperous farmer in North-western Iowa; Helen, wife of John Harding of Putney West Hill, and Julia, wife of Charles Pierce of Putney, N. H. Mrs. Campbell was a resident of Putney up to four years ago when she went to live with Mrs. Pierce, and it was at the latter's home that she died, having been in ill health for three years. The body was brought here Monday and the burial was in Maple Grove cemetery after services in the Congregational church at which Rev. Mr. Gane of Putney officiated. Mrs. Campbell possessed marked ability, was always cheerful under adverse circumstances, and was beloved by all for her many qualities which she made up a beautiful Christian character.

Installation by Golden Rule Chapter.

The annual installation and banquet of Golden Rule Chapter, No. 3, Order of Eastern Star, was held at Masonic hall Wednesday night. Warren D. Waite was the installing officer and was assisted by Mrs. F. H. Harris as marshal. After the feast of good things prepared to satisfy the wants of the "inner man," in the town hall, the women called their invited guests to the lodge room to listen to an intellectual feast in which they fairly outdid themselves.

The order of the exercises was as follows:

Music by a quartet; address of welcome and toast, Susie Kendall; toast, "The Ladies," J. W. Shelley; toast, "The Gentlemen," Olive Stowell; toast, "O. E. S.," Laura M. Plant; song, "Song of a Heart," J. W. Shelley. These officers were then installed by W. D. Waite: W. P. W. D. Waite; W. M., Francis Bailey; A. W. M., Jane Pierce; treasurer, Hannah Waite; secretary, Kittie Everette; C., Minnie A. Hewitt; A. C., Lucie Penn; chaplain, Olive Stowell; W., Miranda Whitman; S., A. A. Wing; A. A., Minnie Corser; Ruth, Jennie Pierce; Esther, Fannie Huntley; Martha, Susie Kendall; Electa, Annie Harris; organist, Villa J. Davenport; marshal, Ida Stowell. The remainder of the program consisted of "The Favorite" by H. B. Shelley; reading, Mrs. Olive J. Stowell; poem, W. D. Waite; remarks by J. W. Stowell and others and singing by a quartet.

J. D. Wheat has been seriously ill for a few days.

A mixed quartet will sing at the Congregational church a week from next Sunday.

Mrs. Nancy Lowell has moved from the old road leading to the depot to Elwin Headle's house.

Mrs. W. A. Cole is spending the week with her daughter, Mrs. R. C. Winchester of Holyoke, Mass.

School in district No. 1 has been closed a part of this week owing to the illness of the teacher, Miss Ethel Cutler.

D. H. Kendrick of Amherst, Mass., proprietor of the Amherst House, was at the Kendrick House recently.

The Stowell Manufacturing company shut down its factories last Saturday night for the usual holiday vacation.

The Grand Army post and Woman's Relief corps will hold joint installation services in Masonic hall Jan. 4.

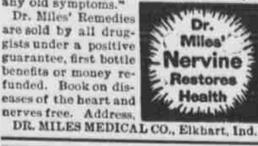
Sometimes it seems to weary woman that she must do a certain amount of work. The simplest and easiest work becomes an almost insupportable task. Nervousness, sleeplessness and pain harass her and life seems hardly worth the living. Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription was made for her. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery was made for her. The former is for the illa distinctly feminine, the other for her general system. Together they supply a certain and successful course of treatment. The "Favorite" restores health, regular action to the organs distinctly feminine. It forces out all impurities, strengthens the system, allays inflammation. The "Golden Medical Discovery" makes appetite, helps digestion, promotes assimilation, fills out the hollow cheeks and neck with the glad glow of girlhood. With these remedies there is no need of detested "examinations."

Chronic Dyspepsia Cured.

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AFTER suffering for nearly thirty years from dyspepsia, Mrs. H. E. Dugdale, wife of a prominent business man of Warren, N. Y., writes: "For 28 years, I was a constant sufferer from dyspepsia and a weak stomach. The lightest food produced distress, causing severe pain and the formation of gas. No matter how careful of my diet I suffered agonizing pain after eating. I was treated by many physicians and tried numerous remedies without permanent help. Two years ago I began taking Dr. Miles' Nerve and Liver Pills and Nervine. Within a week I commenced improving, and persisting in the treatment I was soon able to eat what I liked, with no evil effects. I keep them at hand and a single dose dispels any old symptoms."



DR. MILES MEDICAL CO., Elkhart, Ind.

Delta lodge, Knights of Honor, will hold its election of officers tonight.

John Mooney is at work at Mrs. Baker's during the illness of George Stowell. Charles Aiken is at work for George Phillips.

Mrs. N. Cobb, jr., of Putney Falls has been a guest of her daughter, Mrs. F. G. Don in Keene, N. H., for the past two weeks.

The late Henry W. Jacobs of Guilford had three policies in the Equitable Life Assurance society amounting to \$1700. The insurance will be settled by J. W. Shelley.

J. W. Shelley and W. E. Ayer have hired the town hall for next Thursday night when they will give a dance to which all are invited.

M. G. Williams has made an attractive display of Christmas goods this week. A Christmas tree well laden with articles suitable for Christmas gifts attracts much attention.

F. O. Pierce returned to Portland, Me., this week having received news of an accident to Mrs. Pierce. The latter fell in one of the streets in the town hall. The rendering an operation necessary. Mr. and Mrs. P. S. Hannum have been visiting their son George, who is in the office of the Young Men's Christian association at Springfield, Mass., and their son and daughter in Bristol, Conn., this week.

A new book club has been organized to succeed the Laurel magazine club which has disbanded. The new club will be called the "New" book club and will consist of 16 members, including several members of the old club.

Mrs. B. Marcy and two grandchildren of East Putney moved into Dana Clough's house in this village last Saturday. It is understood that Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Marcy will go to Marlboro, N. H., to work for Landlord James McNulty.

There is yet a small amount of money needed to fulfill the contract for the piano which stands in the town hall. The receipts of one good play would eliminate this debt, and as now is a good time to begin rehearsals we hope that some one will "set the ball a-rolling" at once.

A. M. Corser invites all children in town under 12 years of age to come to his store at any time after 9:30 o'clock to-morrow and partake of his Christmas pie. Every child will get a present of some kind. About 100 presents were given away last year. Mr. Corser has made his usual preparation for Christmas trade and his show window has its usual gaily appearance with its merry-go-round of pretty dolls.

The item which recently appeared first in this column in regard to the discovery, by F. E. Robertson, of a successful method of manufacturing paper for cigar wrappers has found its way into the tobacco trade journals and Mr. Robertson is receiving inquiries from various sections regarding his product. It is evident that the article is considered of no little value as a wrapper of both cigars and cigarettes and Mr. Robertson should lose no time in pushing its sale.

Miss Mary A. Kathan, for 15 years a teacher in the Clark institute for the deaf at Northampton, died Tuesday at the home of her father, Robert Kathan. Miss Kathan was a successful teacher, especially adapted for the trying work done at the institute. She was a woman of admirable qualities, and during her life in Northampton she made many friends. Her associates at the institute appreciated fully her character and work. Miss Kathan was educated at the Glenwood Seminary, West Brattleboro. She had spent some time in teaching before going to Northampton. She left her duties there last June and came home, bravely hoping she would be able to take up the work again in her father and her. She was a sister and a brother. The sisters are Miss Cora Kathan, a former teacher at Miss Sawyer's school in Brattleboro, and Miss Florence, a teacher at Honsatonic hall, Great Barrington, Mass. The brother, Charles, is in business in New York. The funeral will be held to-day, Friday, at 10 o'clock.

WEST CHESTERFIELD, N. H.

Charles W. Chamberlain has been under the doctor's care for the past week.

Mrs. Adaline Farr, who has been quite ill for the past ten days, is now slowly improving.

Miss Nora Davenport, who has been on the sick list for several weeks, is now improving.

Rev. John Ellis will preach a Christmas sermon Dec. 19, at 2:30, in exchange with Rev. Harry Rouillard.

The ladies of the Universalist society are making arrangements for their annual festival to be held sometime in January.

The real estate and personal property of the late George T. Dunham will be sold at public auction next Wednesday, Dec. 22, at 9 o'clock. Wm. D. Stearns of Hinsdale will be the auctioneer.

The Choctaw and Chickasaw Indians have determined to sell their lands to the government, organize a colony and migrate to Mexico.

HINSDALE, N. H.

One Citizen's Enterprise.

Townspeople will have a rare treat to-morrow (Saturday) evening in listening to the music of the Alpha Mandolin and Guitar club of Springfield, who will give a concert at the town hall. Every member of the club is an artist, and the entertainment will be of a high order. W. O. Amidon, of the firm of C. J. Amidon & Sons, who was instrumental in securing the services of these musicians, does not do it with any idea of gain, but from a desire that Hinsdale people may have an opportunity of listening to a really fine concert out of the common, and the price of admission is so moderate that this can be no excuse for missing the finest musical entertainment we shall have this season. The village is indebted to Mr. Amidon in many ways for his enterprise and his desire to keep alive the spirit of progress. Last and the grand old fair to grow in the public streets, he has been instrumental in his own expense, a series of hustling baseball games, gathered in crack players from abroad and so worked up the village that it shook off its lethargy and has been more alive and alert ever since. A fact that very many people never consider is this, that whatever conduces to the production of material growth and advancement of town or village as a whole, helps equally every individual in it, and if there were more wide-awake, progressive, stirring young men like Mr. Amidon in our country towns there would be fewer "abandoned farms" and less stagnation in point of growth and prosperity.

The Reported Change at the County Farm.

The report that Mr. and Mrs. Norman Darling of Brattleboro are to take charge of the Cheshire county farm and almshouse at Westmoreland seems to have no foundation in point of fact. A. A. Whitman as superintendent and Mrs. Whitman as matron have conducted the affairs of the establishment for several years to the entire satisfaction of the county commissioners, who state that they have no knowledge of any contemplated change, and not only this, but the general public is loud in its praise of the excellent manner in which all the details of management are carried out. It would be a genuine loss to the county if Mr. and Mrs. Whitman should resign their positions, and their places would be hard to fill. It is possible that the persons named as successors may have been engaged by the superintendent as assistants in the new insane ward just completed, as the commissioners are obliged to remove some of the permanently insane persons who are now county charges at the Westmoreland account of the crowded condition of the latter institution, and this will necessitate more assistants at Westmoreland.

WEST TOWNSEND.

Underwood-Eddy.

The marriage of Milton H. Eddy of Brattleboro and Miss Mary S. Underwood, a popular teacher in this and other towns, was celebrated at the residence of S. O. Garfield, Dec. 15, at high noon. The ceremony was performed in the presence of the bride and groom by Rev. Mr. Hardy, an impressive service with a ring being used. The bride couple entered the parlor to the strains of the bridal march from Lohengrin, played by Miss Annie Garfield. They were preceded by the bridesmaids, Misses Christine, label and Winifred Garfield, cousins of the groom, and followed by the maid of honor, Miss Alta Morse, also a cousin of the groom, and Arthur Tripp as best man. During the service the party stood beneath a horse shoe of white flowers and were surrounded by tastefully arranged potted plants. There were many beautiful wedding gifts. A nice wedding breakfast was served and Mr. and Mrs. Eddy left immediately after for their home in Brattleboro, followed by showers of rice and congratulations.

VERNON.

Miss Eva Stebbins returned home from Brooklyn, N. Y., on Tuesday.

The ladies' circle will meet with Mrs. Whitcomb next Wednesday afternoon.

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There will be a Christmas tree, with appropriate literary and musical selections, the evening not being definitely fixed upon, but probabilities point to Friday, Christmas Eve.

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WEST WARDSBORO.

Herbert Waite is home from New York. Ernest Pike is teaching school in Pike Hollow.

Our Christmas tree and entertainment are to be held on Saturday evening, the 25th.

Miss Britton, who has been at M. O. Johnson's a few weeks, has returned to Somerset.

There were no church services last Sunday or for the two last Tuesday evenings on account of the bad weather and traveling.

There were eight from here who went to the Christian Endeavor meeting last Wednesday at South Wardsboro, H. A. Waite carrying a two-horse load as usual.

The W. C. T. U. met with Mrs. E. A. Pierce last week and finished a nice comfortable, it being the second one this year. Officers were elected as follows: President, Mrs. W. V. Grattan; vice president, Mrs. P. A. Perry; secretary, Amy E. Perry; treasurer, Mrs. J. P. Ryder.

CHILDREN'S DAY.

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SOUTH VERNON.

J. H. Eames will sell goods from his store by auction Saturday afternoon and evening.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Dunklee attended the annual meeting of the state grange at Springfield last week.

Harvey Newton of Worcester, Mass., who has been visiting his brother, W. A. Newton, returned Wednesday.

READSBORO.

The case of George M. Bemis against Clifford G. Brown of Readsboro was put upon trial in the Bennington county court Tuesday. The suit is brought to recover or account for several thousand dollars which it is claimed were sunk or disappeared during the time that the defendant was a clerk in plaintiff's store. Court Reporter Chase is one of the counsel for the defendant, and during the trial of the case H. T. Oatman of Pittsfield, Mass., court reporter for Berkshire county, is acting for Mr. Chase.

The North Adams Transcript correspondent tells this story: "Verne, the youngest son of H. E. Parsons, had two teeth to be pulled the other day and this was how it was done. Mr. Parsons has experimented to some extent with mesmerism and Master Verne, being taken to the office of Dr. W. D. Wood, he proceeded to remove the feeling from the affected teeth. The doctor then pulled the teeth and the boy did not feel the least pain, though he was conscious of everything going on. This seems like a big story but the facts as stated can be proven."

This Tells Where Health May Be Found and is more important than making money. If your blood is impure, Hood's Sarsaparilla is the medicine for you. It cures scrofula, salt rheum, rheumatism, catarrh and all other diseases originating in or promoted by impure blood and low state of the system. Hood's pills are easy to take, easy to operate. Care instruction, heads.

Those persons who do not need iron, but who could try it with nervousness and depression, will find in Carter's Little Liver Pills a most desirable article. They are mostly used in combination with Carter's Little Liver Pills, and in this way often exert a most magical effect. Take just one pill of each kind immediately after eating and you will be free from indigestion and dyspepsia. In vials at 25 cents. Try them.

Wasting in Children

can be overcome in almost all cases by the use of Scott's Emulsion of Cod-Liver Oil and the Hypophosphites of Lime and Soda. While it is a scientific fact that cod-liver oil is the most digestible oil in existence, in

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It is not only palatable, but it is already digested and made ready for immediate absorption by the system. It is also combined with the hypophosphites, which supply a food not only for the tissues of the body, but for the bones and nerves, and will build up the child when its ordinary food does not supply proper nourishment.

BE SURE YOU GET SCOTT'S EMULSION. See that the man and fish are on the wrapper. All druggists, 50c and \$1.00. SCOTT & BOWNE, Chemists, New York.

WARDSBORO.

F. D. Chase of Greenfield, Mass., has been in town this week.

Mrs. A. L. Wheeler is visiting her sister, Mrs. F. L. Stetson, in Greenfield, Mass.

There will be a Christmas tree and entertainment at Union hall, Friday evening, Dec. 24. At the close of the entertainment an oyster supper will be served by the ladies' aid society in the hall dining room. A cordial invitation is extended to all. The exercises will begin at 7 o'clock.

The officers of the Vermont grange, 139, for the ensuing year are as follows: Master, Henry J. Allen; overseer, H. E. Knight; lecturer, Mrs. Henry J. Allen; steward, Henry Hamilton; assistant steward, Wm. A. Clark; chaplain, Mrs. Emma A. Clark; treasurer, M. A. Smith; secretary, Mrs. S. D. May; gate keeper, L. R. Plumley; Pomona, Mrs. A. L. Howard; Flora, Mrs. F. A. Gleason; Geres, Mrs. Henry Hamilton; lady assistant steward, Mrs. H. E. Knight.

WARDSBORO CENTRE.

Dwight Pettephale's family have moved from Bert Sage's to George Farnum's farm on East hill.

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Take Down's Elixir

For Colds, Coughs, Croup, Whooping Cough and Consumption. It loosens the cough, clears the lungs, builds up the tissues and cures the patient. At Druggists.

Corser's Store News.

Children's Day To-morrow

Let them all come as it means much to them.

We have a full line—or we have a full store—of Dolls, Toys, Games, Books, China and Glass bric a brac, Celluloid fancy goods, Silver novelties, Diaries, Handkerchiefs, Photograph Frames, Mirrors, Perfumes, Neckwear, and an endless assortment of goods adapted for the next two weeks' holiday trade.

Store will be open every evening the week before Christmas, but will not be open on Christmas day.

F. K. BARROWS.

Cattle and Horses by Public Auction

GUILFORD CENTRE, VT., Monday, December 20, 1897, At 10 o'clock A. M., At the Residence of H. E. Thayer.

Twenty-five head of cattle, consisting of 14 good cows, all fresh or coming in soon. The balance are six two-year olds and yearling heifers. This stock is mostly high grade Jersey and is fine as can be seen in the state. Part of the cows are thoroughbred and registered.

Eight good horses, all are young and good workers and drivers. Parties looking for horses will do well to attend this sale.

Twenty hogs, consisting of breeding sows, boar and shoats. They are thoroughbred Chester White.

Farming tools of every description; among the lot are a nice horse rake, hay tedder, mowing machine, etc.

Five sleighs, three of them nearly new; 10 driving and work harness, robes and blankets and other property too numerous to mention.

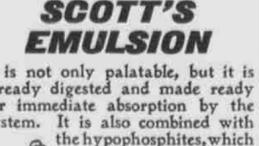
C. P. Gilman, Auctioneer. H. E. THAYER.

A. M. CORSER, Putney.

Annual Meeting. The twenty-sixth annual meeting of the Jamaica Savings Bank for the election of officers and the transaction of necessary business will be held at their banking house in Jamaica, on the last Wednesday of December, 1897, it being the 29th day at 10 o'clock A. M. J. C. ROBINSON, Secretary. Jamaica, Vt., Dec. 16, 1897.

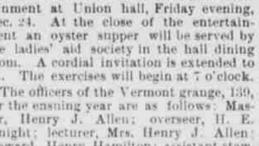
This Morris Chair \$10.00

14 other Styles, \$5.75 to \$17.00



This Desk \$4.00

31 other Patterns Up to \$32.00



ROCKERS, TABLES, STANDS, JARDINIERS, LAMPS.

Together with a display of CHINA and GLASSWARE larger and better than ever, combine to make our store one of the best places in town to answer the question, "What shall I get for Christmas?"

EMERSON & SON.

2 and 4 Main Street, Brattleboro, Vt.

PURE LINEN HANDKERCHIEFS

A Strong Specialty of Pure Linen Handkerchiefs.

Pure linen, embroidered by hand in each corner at 10, 12 1/2, 17, 25 and 30 cents. Some very choice designs and very cheap.

Initial Handkerchiefs Ladies' and children's at five cents. Ladies' pure linen, beautifully embroidered at 12 1/2 and 25 cents. Small boy's initials at 10 cents. Men's pure linen initials—good quality at 12 1/2 cents; also three lines of finer goods at 25 cents; six for \$1.40. Men's silk initials, 25 cents, worth 35 cents, and 40 cents, worth 75 cents. Ladies' plain hemstitch, all linen at 10, 12 1/2, 17 and 25 cents.

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs Hand work—cotton—embroidered in each corner, 5 cents, and all linen, hand work, exceptional value at 12, 20 and 25 cents. Special bargains in beautiful goods at 11 and 20 cents that are actually worth 30 cents and have never been sold for less; also very choice designs at 20, 25 cents and \$1.

Children's Handkerchiefs Large variety at 1, 3 1/2 and 5 cents. Fine linen embroidered, small size for little girls at 12 1/2 cents; also small size, sheer linen, suitable for trimming with lace, 15-16 to 20 cents.

Men's Handkerchiefs Special bargains at 2, 10, 12 1/2, 17, 25, 35 and 50 cents. Real Duchesse Lace Handkerchiefs, 25 cents to \$5 each.

Silk Umbrellas Large line now ready for inspection. We have given particular attention to the styles of handles, and every handle was personally selected by "our buyer" and then sent to the factory to be mounted on a reliable quality of silk, and we are confident that the prices are very low. You can get a good umbrella at a very moderate price.

Children's School Umbrellas at 50, 75 (with silver trimmed handles), and 98 cents.

Holiday Aprons In great variety, at 25, 35, 50, 75 cents, and \$1, and every one a bargain. Our Table Linen Department is a very important one, and we have Linen Damask at 50, 75, 100 and 125 cents, and at \$1 and \$1.25 are two lines of fine, soft, heavy Damask that are very desirable, also napkins to match.

Linen Towels Suitable for presents, at 25, 35, 50, 75 cents, and \$1, and all exceptionally good value. Special Bargains in Towels, at 75 cents to \$2.

Down Pillows, plain at 25 cents to \$1.50, also covered with silk and damask from 25 cents (filled with cotton) to the finest quality at \$4.75. Extra value at \$1.00 and \$1.25.

Lace Pillow Shams, at 35 and 50 cents per pair. Real Linen Lace Doilies, Cushion Tops, Centrepieces, etc.

Ladies' Macintoshes, reliable make, from the cheapest to \$4, \$5, \$6.50, and \$10. French Fanc. Silk Mittens, Ladies' Kid Gloves, Children's Kid Gloves.

Leather Goods, Purses, Wallets, Boston Bags, etc. Fancy Goods, Embroidered Cushions, Hand-painted Novelties, etc.

Store will be open every evening the week before Christmas, but will not be open on Christmas day.

Market Reports.

Brattleboro Prices Current. WHOLESALE.

Table with market prices for various goods like Potatoes, Butter, Eggs, etc.

This Morris Chair \$10.00

14 other Styles, \$5.75 to \$17.00



This Desk \$4.00