

THE PUTNEY COLUMN

Death of Mrs. George L. Pierce.

The funeral of Mrs. George L. Pierce, whose death was reported briefly in last week's issue of The Phoenix, was held at her late home at 2 o'clock Sunday, Rev. E. H. F. Smith officiating. There was a large attendance and many beautiful floral tributes. Miss Jennie E. Pierce sang selections from the "Home Beyond," "Only Remembered by What I Have Done." The burial was in Mount Pleasant cemetery.

For a large part of the past 25 years she had been in the interest of the church and other good causes. She was a woman of keen intellect, a firm believer in the Christian religion, taking a personal interest in her friends and striving to make life happy for those around her.

The death of Mrs. Pierce took place shortly after noon Thursday, Oct. 18, and was due to bronchial pneumonia. Although her condition had been serious her recovery seemed probable. She had been in bed for several days and had breakfast as usual that day. Among those at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Wallingford, Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Wood and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Puffer of Brattleboro, Mr. and Mrs. John T. Moore of Bellows Falls, and Mr. and Mrs. Octavius Fisher of Westminster.

The Ashenden-Washburn Wedding.

A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Julius F. Washburn on Wednesday at 1 o'clock, when Mr. Washburn's eldest daughter, Sarah Louise, became the wife of Arthur Washburn Ashenden, of Auburndale, Mass. The bride was dressed becomingly in an embroidered tulle Princess gown, and she carried a bouquet of red roses. Her bridesmaid was Miss Helen Cunningham of New York city, who wore a dress of white net and lace and carried a bouquet of white carnations. Frank Ashenden, brother of the groom, was best man. Harold and William Washburn acted as ushers. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles Hayward of Westminster. The bride and groom were married in the parlor by banking evergreens and bittersweet. Here the ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles Hayward of Westminster. The bride and groom were married in the parlor by banking evergreens and bittersweet. Here the ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles Hayward of Westminster.

George Sweeney went to Boston Tuesday.

H. L. Clark went to Rutland Monday on a visit.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Loveland went to Keene Friday to spend several days.

H. P. Farrington attended a furnace in his house this week.

Miss Mamie Bailey of Gardner, Mass., is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Dorr Clough this week.

Leonard Ufford, who has been employed on the Corser farm, has returned to his home in Amherst.

Fred Pember, who is employed by the government at Kingston, R. I., came home Sunday to visit his family.

Mrs. Charles Rich and little son, Vernon, of Bellows Falls are guests of Mr. and Mrs. M. D. Whitman.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles F. Bailey of Springfield, the latter visited in Putney and Westminster this week.

Rev. I. P. Smith of Lawrence, Mass., is expected to supply the pulpit of the Congregational church of Westminster.

James Noonan of Newton, Mass., has been visiting his uncle, Curtis E. Houghton, this week while on a deer hunting trip.

Greenfield persons who bought the house at the H. C. Black place will establish a steam mill there in the next two weeks.

Ralph Amidon, street car conductor between Springfield, Mass., and Hartford, Conn., is spending a vacation of two weeks at his home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Clark of Mechanicville have visited their daughter, Mrs. Helen Hewitt, this week. Mr. and Mrs. Jenks and child of Shrewsbury are visitors at Mr. Hewitt's.

Mrs. Laila H. Egan of Brattleboro, department president of the Vermont Women's Relief corps at the regular meeting Tuesday evening, Oct. 23, a rehearsal of work will be held Monday evening.

Louis Gorham and Carleton Perry were on Putney mountain Monday afternoon and saw the balloon Oriole as it descended near Jamaica. The balloon was the winner of the first balloon race in America, an account of which is given in another column.

Ariel Crosby died at his home in Waltham, Mass., on Thursday of last week. He formerly lived in this town, carrying on a boot and shoe repair shop in the Park street building, now occupied by the Crosby building, now member of Greenwood post, G. A. R.

Rally day will be observed at the Methodist church Sunday at 10:45 a. m. Sunday school scholars will have a prominent part in the service. It is earnestly hoped that all the scholars, including cradle roll and home department, will be present.

Three deer were shot in this town on Monday, the first day of the open season. A buck having two-pronged antlers and weighing 160 pounds was killed by Walter Wood after a long and exciting chase. The first shot broke one of the animal's front legs. The buck then charged for the hunter, who dodged behind a tree and brought him down with another bullet. Clayton Coane secured a three-year-old buck in the Pratt pasture by two shots from his 31-caliber Winchester special. It weighed 167 pounds and had two-pronged antlers. Mr. Coane came upon two together in the woods. The largest buck taken was about 175 pounds and was killed by Walter Wood. The first shot broke a hind leg, and the deer got away. Mr. Kent, followed about a mile and overtook the deer, was a buck weighing 179 pounds Wednesday morning on Whitman's hill.

WESTMINSTER.

Mrs. Charles Chase is visiting in Boston. Mr. Smith was able to ride to Bellows Falls Tuesday.

Ernest Wright and Katie Grimes spent Sunday in Putney.

Miss Hancha Wilkins is the guest of Miss Margaret Wood at Bellows Falls.

Mr. Thurlow of Boston is spending the week at Kurn Hattin.

Miss Jessie Woodburn of Springfield was with her parents over Sunday.

Miss Sylvia Derry of Putney will spend Sunday with Miss Nettie Penn.

Mr. and Mrs. E. M. Nutting returned Tuesday from their trip to Chicago.

Mrs. Clara Dole of Claremont has been a guest at Kurn Hattin the past week.

Alfred Cobb of Brattleboro was a guest at Mr. and Mrs. L. C. Richardson's Monday and Tuesday.

Miss Alva Johnson, teacher in the primary department in school No. 8, visited schools in Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Fairbrother of Springfield were recent guests at Mr. and Mrs. D. H. Fairbrother's.

Mr. and Mrs. Walton Barr gave very interesting reports last Sunday at the Sunday school convention in Randolph.

Mr. Howard Smith and son returned from New York city Wednesday. Mrs. Smith's mother, Mrs. Richter, came with them.

W. S. Penn recently stored in one day 12,000 bushels of onions. He is having constant demands for his onions, which are of a fine quality.

The regular meeting of Boyden Grange will be held Friday evening, Nov. 2. The third and fourth degrees will be conferred.

Charles Bishop attended the Sunday school convention at Randolph. The ladies in charge of refreshments at the convention are for the most part a bountiful supply of food to the Kurn Hattin.

The ninth grade of No. 8 school has elected the following officers for the year: President, Stanley Fullum; vice president, Hollis Wright; secretary, George Leman; treasurer, Edna Kimball.

Mr. Lake of Keene presented Mr. Whitcomb with a "baby organ," this week.

The Fortnightly club will hold its next meeting with Mrs. E. Bishop Oct. 28. Program: Music; "Birds and Flowers"; Mrs. Bishop; music; Mr. and Mrs. Bishop will speak of work by the boys; "Our Common Faith"; music; current events.

A party of local hunters started out Monday morning, and after a few miles of tramping started a herd of deer, but hunters from another direction coming suddenly upon them, the firing from both directions caused a stampede and no deer were killed.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins and Mr. Wilkins's sister, Sarah Willard, had a delightful trip to Townshend last week in their automobile. The party were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Wilkins, Thursday and Mrs. Wilkins, accompanied by Dr. Clark and family as guests, took a trip over the mountains.

The Christian Endeavor convention which is in session at Bennington this week.

The statement in the Burlington Free Press that Kurn Hattin Home will receive \$3000 from the will of Mrs. Hannah P. Dickerman of Newport is correct. Mrs. Dickerman died last winter. The bequest will be known as the Dickerman fund. Another addition to the slowly increasing permanent fund of the home will come in the settlement of the estate of Charles Tidd Baker of Boston, who bequeathed \$5000 to the institution. Mrs. Bishop, matron of the home, in a recent letter said: "There seems to be a feeling abroad that in consequence of two or three bequests (which are not paid yet) Kurn Hattin does not need as much money as formerly. This is far from correct. The truth is more help is needed than ever before, as living expenses are rising. We are cutting for more boys than formerly, and as matron of the home, the conviction is growing upon me that they eat more and more. They all seem like the boy I once heard of who was hollow to his toes three times a day. A good supply of canned fruits and jelly which we lack would help to fill the 53 beds which present themselves three times a day. We were grateful for the 62 loaves of cake and 84 rolls sent us at the close of the Sunday school convention held in Randolph, Vt."

WESTMINSTER WEST.

Mrs. Augusta Ranney is at work at Dr. Fernald's.

Misses May and Maude Goodell spent Saturday and Sunday at Hugh Goodell's.

Rev. W. F. Whitcomb preached in exchange with Rev. E. C. Fisher last Sunday.

Mrs. A. P. Ranney returned Wednesday from a two weeks' visit in St. Johnsbury.

Marcus Mason, a former resident of the place, now living at South Boston, visited at B. A. Walker's last week.

Although the apple crop is light the orchards are yielding more and better fruit than the farmers expected when they began picking.

Mr. Morgan, who is connected with the board of education in New York city, has been staying for two weeks at Rev. E. C. Fisher's. He returned to New York Thursday.

J. O. Smith met Mrs. Smith in Winchester, Mass., where she has been visiting. They were here till Sunday at Shelburne, Mass., and Hartford, Conn., visiting in each place.

Will preach in Westminster.

The Rev. D. L. Sanford will preach in the town hall, Westminster, on Sunday afternoon, Oct. 28, at 3 o'clock. All are cordially invited.

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BELLOWS FALLS NEWS

Winchester high school football team was defeated here Saturday by Bellows Falls high school, 46 to 0.

Mr. and Mrs. D. F. Pollard went to Hartford Sunday and returned Tuesday, making a visit to Mrs. Pollard's parents.

Lyman Jenison, formerly with the Howard Hardware company, but for several years a clerk in Hotel Claremont, is now a clerk at the Windham.

The family of C. W. Butterfield are entertaining Mrs. H. J. Horne of St. Paul, Minn., and her mother is the guest of Mr. and Mrs. S. S. Vinas, accompanied by her husband, J. C. Vinas of Livingston, Mont., an old Belows Falls boy.

Fifteen teachers from the Rockingham town schools attended the State Teachers' association at Middlebury last week. Superintendent Merriam, Principal Tuttle, and James F. Smith, science teacher, had a check on the program.

The Woman's Chorus club, assisted by Exner's orchestra and out of town soloists, will give a concert the second week in December. The club has a very well balanced chorus of about 20 voices, and music lovers are anticipating a treat in this concert.

A new mail car was put on the Springfield and St. Albans run last week Thursday, it being run by clerks of the Electric and W. A. Freeman. The car is made according to government specifications and is 30 feet in length, has life rods running from end to end, and the floor has steel channels.

The Woman's club entertained the children of the public schools at the opera house Tuesday afternoon, the entertainment being Edward Avis, whistling soloist and bird imitator. At least 70 pupils availed themselves of the opportunity for a pleasant afternoon, and with much profit in the line of bird education.

Commencing Nov. 1 the Rutland railroad will sell its 50-mile ticket books for \$10, and the Rutland and Green Mountains, thus taking the same action in favor of liberality toward the public that was taken recently by the Boston & Maine. The Central Vermont books are sold at the same price also after Nov. 1.

Rev. Father Wilde of St. Peter's church, who has been seriously ill during the last months, is somewhat more comfortable just at the present, although his condition is causing much anxiety to his many friends and parishioners. Father Farrell has been sent here to care for the Hampshire bishop to act as pastor during the remainder of time he is incapacitated.

E. A. Norwood, the account of whose coming from California under arrest was given last week, brought with him sufficient to cover the amount of any shortage in his accounts which might be shown, and turned them over to the court. He was admitted to bail and remained in the East for the present, accompanied by Mrs. Norwood.

J. A. Pearson for five years the efficient and popular manager of the Goodnow & Person store, has retired and later, it is said, will have a position with the Vermont Lumber Machine company. He is now at his home in Coventry. Mr. Pearson's successor, temporarily at least, is H. L. Beverslock, who was for three or four years manager of the Keene store of the Goodnow syndicate. Mr. Beverslock has been with the syndicate 12 years and has established a reputation for different stores of the firm. His home is in Keene where he has a wife and two children. He is boarding for the present at the Hotel Windham.

The selection of Walpole, Daniel Conors, C. J. Slade and F. O. Smalley, have posted the check list and warrant in North Walpole. The warrant is for three articles. The first relates to the election of a governor, congressman, councilor or a district No. 4 senator from district No. 8, sheriff, county solicitor, or any other office, just as much of a home magazine in all the essentials as any woman's magazine on the market—a publication for the women of the day. Numerous presents covering the substantial qualities that go to help people to live better and be wiser. "Woman" will be a big magazine—192 pages—and the price will be 10 cents a copy.

Brattleboro Men Fined for Assault.

After a two-days' escapade in which they compassed the territory between Brattleboro and Ferrisburgh by automobile, freight cars and shank's mare, Fred Fredette and Joseph Whelan surrendered themselves to the authorities of the town of Ferrisburgh, where they were arrested by Deputy Sheriff E. R. Thayer on warrants charging them with assaulting Fred Rogers and D. S. Borger, two men who were riding before Justice W. S. Newton and were fined \$15 and costs, amounting to \$30.30 each, which they paid. Fredette and Whelan have \$50 bonds, plus the cost of their arrest. On Thursday they felt that they needed an automobile ride and so started out with Mr. Brown's touring car. The car was damaged by the rough riding, and on Vernon street they nearly ran over Rogers and Borger, who were walking in the road. The two pedestrians, who were riding on the car, were thrown and the car was damaged. The machine was being run, whereupon the occupants proceeded to give them a thrashing. Then they left the automobile in the road and went to the railroad yard and went to New London on a freight train Friday morning. They walked back as far as Ferrisburgh, where they were arrested by the police. On Saturday they went into A. F. Schwenk's office and said they were ready to give themselves up.

KEEP THE KIDNEYS WELL.

Health is Worth Saving, and Some Brattleboro People Know How to Save It.

Many Brattleboro people take their lives in their hands by neglecting the kidneys when they know these organs need help. Sick kidneys are responsible for a vast amount of suffering and ill health, but there is no need to suffer nor to remain in danger when all diseases and aches and pains due to weak kidneys can be quickly and permanently cured by the use of Doan's Kidney Pills. Here is the statement of a Brattleboro citizen who has reclaimed good health by the use of this remedy:

"I am J. C. Montrose, carriage painter, of 9 Canal street, Brattleboro, Vt., say: 'My experience with Doan's Kidney Pills dates back to some six years ago when I could hardly attend to my work on account of kidney troubles, deep in sleep, the slightest fire and was burned to the ground. "Uncle Charles" heard nothing of the alarm, and was utterly ignorant of the occurrence."

"In the morning after breakfast, he bundled up and started for the village. There were but few out as the alarm was intense, but when he met an acquaintance, bundled up like himself, who stopped him and said: 'Well, Uncle Charles, that was a sad loss to the village. He said, "What loss?" he asked. "I ain't heard of any."

"The Island House burned down."

"Uncle Charles" looked incredulous for a moment, and then, with an expression that said, "You can't fool me," replied: "I guess not; I've got the key in my pocket."

Uncle Charles had many a reminder of his reply afterward—(Prize story by H. Penobscot Reed of Boston in Boston Sunday Herald).

Prince Henry of Prussia has been appointed commander-in-chief of all the German squadrons in active service. He succeeded Admiral von Koester, who retains the post of chief inspector of the navy.

SAXTONS RIVER.

Mr. and Mrs. C. L. Gale were in Athens Sunday.

Pat Frowley and family have moved to Massachusetts.

Mr. Will Stoddard has taken a room at C. H. Triffield's.

Mr. Wright has been seriously ill, is reported better.

Ray Woodward, of Hinsdale, N. H., was in town last week.

G. R. Tower and C. L. Gale began to plaster Lee Thompson's new house Tuesday.

Mrs. Dora Ober of Athens has been spending a few days with Mrs. C. L. Gale.

Mrs. Stephen Smith and Mrs. Fred Ober of Athens visited Mrs. C. L. Gale Friday.

A chicken pie supper will be served at the Congregational church Wednesday evening, Oct. 31.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Horan have begun housekeeping in Mrs. Piddock's large house on Main street.

The woolen mill was shut down a few days last week to have new water wheel, and to make other repairs.

Howard Austin returned Monday from the hospital in Boston, where he had an abscess removed from his chest.

Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Tenney took a carriage drive to Chester last week and spent a few days with Mrs. L. M. Stearns.

There was no session at the graded school from Thursday to Saturday, as a four teachers' convention is being held in Middlebury.

Dr. J. H. Hodgett of this place was elected auditor of the Vermont Medical society at its 93rd annual convention in Barre, Oct. 12.

GRAFTON.

Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Halstead of Ponca, Neb., recently visited Mrs. S. E. Daniels at Hill View.

A very pleasant and successful harvest festival was held at the Baptist vestry Tuesday evening.

Miss Carrie Davis and Miss Annie Chandler of Chester spent a day with friends here last week.

Misses Marguerite Merrifield, Nellie Cuneen and Ethel Upton spent Sunday and Monday at home from Vermont academy.

A beautiful supper was served by the ladies. The table decorations were unique. Small pumpkins formed handsome vases for ferns, while carved made effective centerpieces. The tables were placed in groups about the table. A large jack-o-lantern covered the lamp on the platform, while the pillars and walls were festooned with autumn leaves, showing skill and taste in those having it in charge. A sale of vegetables was held later in the evening.

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Mrs. Ann Thomas has disposed of her household effects and gone to live with her son, Frank Thomas, in West Hampstead, this state.

A delegation from Queen Esther Rebekah lodge visited the Brattleboro lodge Tuesday evening. The visitors report a most enjoyable time.

The Woman's Relief corps is making preparations for conducting a second-hand sale in the near future. Date and place will be given later.

Guests for the past few days of Miss Ruth Rasee were her aunt, Mrs. Susie Nettleton, and cousin, Miss Eva Nettleton, of New Haven, Conn.

Mrs. George A. Robertson entertained the young ladies who are employed at the Robertson paper mill with a delightful party at the home of Mrs. Robertson.

Mrs. Harriet N. Wilder is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Jennie Wood of Burlington, Vt. She also entertained her niece, Mrs. Marie of Burlington, last Sunday.

The warrant for the town meeting to be held the first Tuesday in November. State officials are to be elected, and not of less importance, the license law will be voted on.

At the annual convention of the Berkshire County Sunday school association which was held in Keene last week, Miss Florence Odell was elected one of the vice presidents for the coming year.

Twenty members of Vernon Grange visited the local order last week Wednesday evening. The visitors gave a pleasant literary and musical program and the members of the local Grange served a fine supper.

Next Sunday will be observed as rally day at the Universalist church. A suitable program will be given by the Sunday school, and it is hoped that every member of the school will be present, also that a large number will be present at the morning service.

J. H. Higginson bought an automobile while in Boston a few days ago, and started home with it. He drove on the main road to the muddier for the car and the drenching too much for the occupant, so the machine was left at Fitchburg until it was repaired.

Dr. Alva Whitmore has sold his practice here to Dr. Roberts. The new incumbent was formerly located in San Francisco, and was there at the time of the earthquake and fire. Dr. Roberts will occupy the tenement in the Todd block now occupied by Dr. Whitmore. It is not known whether Dr. Whitmore will meet every Friday afternoon directly after school at the Congregational church vestry. All young people over 13 years of age are invited to become members of the legion.

Pred C. Cantlin received word late Saturday evening of the critical illness of his mother in Staffordville, Conn. Mr. Cantlin, according to the report, and two sisters, left Sunday morning for Staffordville, hardly expecting to find their mother living. They found her, however, in a better condition than they had expected, and she continued to improve while they were there. Mr. Cantlin, wife and one sister, returned Monday, the other sister remaining to assist in caring for her mother.

Beginning Nov. 1, the steam gong of the Bright