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### Neighbor Wilson.

President Wilson has chosen Cornish, N. H., that "summer abode of genius," for his vacation ground, and his Woodstock neighbors, sixteen miles away, will wish him all the joys to be found in his quiet retreat under the shadow of Ascutney, or more popularly, "Cutney." For the Cornish colonists are shy, retiring folk; they shrink from publicity as they would the plague, and these cultured people of the world of art and letters are likely to do their level best to make an unassailable fortress of Landford Winston Churchill's Harlakenden House. There will be no stopover at Windsor, where you change for Cornish, if they have any influence with the railroad people. They are very strong on seclusion.

The Cornish colony includes a notable group of authors and artists, beginning, say, with Winston Churchill ex-candidate for governor of New Hampshire; others are Percy Mackaye, Kenyon Cox, Norman Hapgood, Peter F. Dunne, and the brothers St. Gaudens lived and worked there for many years.

President Wilson is a writer, too, of things besides inaugural messages; he will be in congenial company, safe from invasion. A happy and restful holiday to him in the bush and the golden gaze of lofty Cornish!

### Vermont's Advance.

"Vermont is predominantly a rural and agricultural state, and is proving that the designation is no stigma," says Raymond G. Fuller in the Boston Transcript. Mr. Fuller writes with enthusiasm of what Vermont is doing, of her campaign of self-education and its progress, of what is being done to help the farmer, of the need of real farmers and the menace of absentee landlordism—the country-life movement is not helped by the incoming of poor or rich—who are not farm-savvy—and of the various practical agencies at work for rural renaissance.

In the last ten years Vermont has fast outgrown traditional farming methods, which did not pay; the state is devoting much energy to its schools, and the few abandoned farms that were really going to economic waste are being made to produce scientific agricultural knowledge in being popularized, disseminated and applied. The much-talked-of isolation of the farmer is not the menace it once was. The telephone, the rural free delivery, the parcel post, better roads and the automobile have helped to vanquish it.

Though the country cannot rival the advantages of the city, it can adapt advantages consistent with the country conditions, and it can learn that the land offers abundant opportunity for the exercise of a man's best powers and for adequate financial returns.

The country-life movement requires leaders, enthusiasm, organization; and what organization can do is very well shown by the result of the activities in Windsor and Bennington counties in the past few years; and other sections of the state are beginning work along the same lines with similar enthusiasm and success.

The country life movement is not a back-to-the-land movement. That is the result of a city problem. Neither the suburbanite nor the city man who buys a farm for a country residence is participating in the country-life movement. It is not the problem of abandoned farms. Most abandoned farms, thinks the writer, ought to be abandoned. Moreover, not all unoccupied land goes to waste; it grows up to timber. Further, the most productive land tends to pass into the hands of those who can cultivate it most efficiently.

Among the agencies of socialization is the grange, which is the clearing house of country life and the forum of the country people. The church is becoming more and more an institutional affair. The wider use of the library plant means in Vermont chiefly the traveling libraries which go into the few communities which do not have libraries of their own.

Says Mr. Fuller: "The Y. M. C.

A work in Windsor County is remarkable in its methods and results. It is known all over the United States. It was the Windsor County Y. M. C. A. which planned and managed the "Vermont Get Together" dinner at White River Junction in June, 1911, an event which gave a great push to the State's forward movement."

### High School Notes.

This week the make-up examinations have been held for all those who failed to pass the first half year's work or who were absent during the regular examination.

The season's baseball schedule has been completed by Manager Paul. The first two games are to be played at Ludlow and Lebanon, so the first home game will be on May 10th with Randolph Agricultural School. Eric Brady is captain of the team.

The Freshman social on Tuesday evening was an April Fool affair and much fun was enjoyed during the evening. Quite a number of the Juniors were present.

The Junk contest closed Tuesday at 6 o'clock. As yet the results have not been disclosed.

On Friday afternoon at the meeting of the Athenaeum the Rev. Mr. Clark gave a most interesting, helpful and inspiring talk on "Reading" and Books."

The Juniors will hold a food sale in the Arts and Crafts room on Tuesday afternoon, April 8. All kinds of food and candy will be on sale.

### BRIDGEWATER.

There was excellent speaking at the men's meeting held at Union hall Sunday afternoon, County Secretary A. C. Hurd, Rev. Benjamin Swift, and Rev. F. T. Clark making brief addresses.

Mrs. Wilmer Shattuck has returned from the hospital.

Miss Eva Greaves is visiting her sister, Mrs. H. W. Stetson, in Oxford, N. H.

Henry Hoisington has moved into the tegement recently occupied by Herbert Newton.

### BRIDGEWATER CORNERS

It is reported that A. C. Walker has rented the Arthur Josselyn house.

The sugar house owned by Valentine Taylor was burned Tuesday morning.

Mrs. Mae Wilson is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Clinton Howland, in Woodstock.

### NORTH POMFRET

Miss Angie Harrington and Harry were in Hanover last week.

Mrs. Guy Barrows is in the hospital and is gaining.

Mrs. Mark Mudgett and children returned from Quechee Saturday.

Mrs. John Wheeler, who has been spending a few days with her mother, went back to Bethel Monday.

Herbert Harrington and family have moved to Hartford.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd Rogers have been spending a few days' vacation in Keene.

Arthur Perry is now in communication with the neighborhood via telephone.

Miss Ella Brownell is home from Smith college, Miss Josephine Dana, from Randolph High and John Dana from U. V. M.

A. W. Aldrich of Springfield is spending two or three days this week with John Dana, and together they are looking over some of the Jerseys in this town and Hartford.

### HARTLAND.

Mr. and Mrs. Millard White have leased Mrs. L. W. Smith's tenement and began housekeeping April 1.

D. Winthrop Barbour of Montpelier spent last week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. P. Barbour.

H. R. Hawkins of Felchville has purchased "Golden Maid," the handsome golden chestnut mare, of J. G. Britton.

The Ladies Benevolent Society will hold their meeting in the Congregational chapel Thursday, April 10, at 2 p. m. Miss Alice Vose Woodbury will give an address.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Lasure and family are moving from A. J. Stevens' house to their newly purchased home, the E. R. Cummings place, in Martinsville.

L. B. Parker has finished work for F. A. Dufpey; his place is taken by Millard White.

L. E. Merritt started his sawmill March 31. Charles W. Backus is the sawyer.

Master Eugene M. Pollard of Bellows Falls was a week-end guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Ainsworth.

Schools will open in town April

7, with the following teachers in charge:

Hartland Grammar, Miss Lena H. P. Barrell.  
Hartland Primary, Miss Dora T. Penniman.  
North Hartland Grammar, Miss Annie Haley.  
North Hartland Primary, Miss Edith Haley.  
Hartland Four Corners, Miss Mae Bugbee.  
Fieldsville, Miss Olive White.  
Jenneville, Miss Ruth Lobdell.  
Bates, Miss Christine Brown.  
Webster, Miss Emeline Webster.  
Grout, Miss Alice Walker.  
Weed, Miss Nellie Washburn.  
Hartland Hill, Miss Eunice Bassett.  
Densmore Hill, Miss Charissa Green.  
Center, Miss Annette Lasure.

### J. Pierpont Morgan Dead.

J. Pierpont Morgan, the world's greatest financier, died in Rome at noon Monday.

Toward the end he showed by the movement of his hand that he was suffering internally. He was unable to assimilate artificial nourishment administered during the morning. Heart tonics had no effect on him and several hours before his death he was in a condition of coma, and unable to respond to questions or to recognize relatives.

The news of Mr. Morgan's death at the opening of the stock market caused a little sagging of prices, but the market quickly rallied under supporting orders.

Mr. Morgan's death will make no change in the firm, according to the announcement made at the company's offices Tuesday by H. P. Davison, who said that the business would be conducted as heretofore.

### SOUTH WOODSTOCK.

M. J. Holt is at home from Florida.

W. H. Shove, who is succeeded at the town farm by Pearl Perkins, is moving to the Horace Sherwin place in Woodstock.

Mrs. William Burns recently entertained Mrs. John Summers, and grandson, Bernard Lushua, and Will Summeis of Springfield.

### SUMMER CAPITAL AT CORNISH.

President Wilson Will Pass His Vacation at Harlakenden, the Home of Winston Churchill.

President Woodrow Wilson has chosen the home of Winston Churchill, the novelist, to be his summer capital, according to a telegram received at Cornish, N. H., on Sunday from Mr. Churchill, who is now in Santa Barbara, Cal. The message was addressed to E. F. Roberts, manager of the Churchill estate, and contained instructions for getting the place in readiness for the president's occupancy. Harlakenden house, as the Churchill property is known, is a two-story brick structure situated on a hill above the Connecticut river, opposite Windsor, Vt.

Between 600 and 700 acres of rolling farm land and fragrant pine groves give the estate the seclusion the president desires. Nearby is an artist colony where Maxfield Parrish, Kenyon Cox and others go during the summer and where the late Augustus Saint-Gaudens, the sculptor, spent many vacations.

Windsor, is the "port of entry" to Cornish. The road to Harlakenden house lies over an old wooden bridge across the Connecticut.

### BROWN TAIL MOTH

Expert Reports Little Danger in this State—Methods of Killing.

E. S. Brigham, commissioner of agriculture, and L. H. Wathley, an expert of the bureau of entomology of the United States department of agriculture, visited, a short time ago, the area on the east side of the state infested with the browntail moth.

Mr. Worthy reports that he found the infestation of the moth quite general throughout the area and mostly confined to shade and orchard trees and wild cherry bushes along the walls in fields.

He judges from his observations that there is but little danger of the browntail moth infesting our woodlands to any great extent as apparently the predominant growth is not susceptible to their feeding and webbing habits. He also states that it must be borne in mind in suppressing these insects that a yearly invasion may be expected owing to their power of flight and that in his opinion the state would not be justified in making a campaign to suppress the browntail moth in the woodlands.

His advice is to remove the winter webs from the shade and orchard trees and cherry bushes along the

walls, where they are liable to occur, and to furnish as much information as possible to the residents of the infested area relative to the control of the insect.

Mr. Worthy recommends that small gangs of men should be organized, say two men to a town and given good facilities for getting around as quickly as possible and visit the most likely places for infestations to occur.

### WOMEN PLAN A UNIQUE BANK

Suffragettes of New York to Have Financial Institution With Only Their Sex Employed.

New York—According to proposals and plans now under consideration here, New York in the near future is likely to have the country's first suffragette bank, a real financial institution which will operate like any other except for the fact that from president down to office boy, or rather from presidentess to office girl, only women will be concerned with its management and operation.

Many attempts and proposals have been made before by women identified with the suffrage movement both here and in England to start such an institution, but for one reason or another they have failed to be productive of any definite results.

The women behind the present plan, however, believe that this time they will be successful. Just what the plan is they refuse to disclose until the big meeting at which it is to be made public later in the month. As its backers are women of wealth, there is much curiosity as to just what they propose to do.

It is pointed out, however, that if they adhere to the plan of having no man connected with it, the bank will be unique in more ways than one, since it will have a board of directors none of whom serve on any other bank directorate—that is, unless Mrs. Hetty Green is made a director—and will thus be free from the criticism of interlocking directors.

Of course if a few of the city's more prominent bankers should be asked to serve, this claim to distinction would be lost, but even at that financial circles are expressing considerable curiosity over the plans for a real suffragette bank.

### CZARINA ACTIVE IN POLITICS

Wife of Russian Ruler Arranges for Meeting Between Czar and King George.

St. Petersburg—The czarina of Russia is taking extraordinary interest in industrial politics. It was learned that she has arranged all the



Czarina of Russia.

details for a meeting between King George of England and Czar Nicholas in the near future. She is said to have been largely responsible for influencing the czar to befriend the Balkan states in their war against Turkey.

### INDIA IS BURYING ITS GOLD

Natives Hide as Much Every Year as is Taken From the South African Mines.

London—There is buried in India every year a sum of gold equal to the amount taken yearly from the mines of South Africa. The African miners extract this treasure from the grip of the earth to put it in circulation; the natives of India seize it with avidity, hoard it and hide it, save it and lay it away. They guard it for the future and effectively remove it from circulation. Thus is the work of the South African miner largely nullified.

Those facts are derived from statistics issued by a firm of Indian bankers, and the amount of wealth in gold, jewels and precious stones stored away and buried in India today is practically incalculable.

Gold is put also to some queer uses in India. In some parts of the country this gold leaves are taken by the people for medicinal purposes, and thousands of dollars' worth is consumed in regilding the domes of religious buildings. A brisk demand having recently been noticed for sovereigns with a shield on the obverse side, an inquiry was made and it was found that a certain rajah had imported them to form a center to each tiny pane in the windows of his palace.

### RUINED CITY IS SABATTA

Place Found by Balloonists in Tripoli Identified as Former Flourishing Roman Colony.

Rome—The ruined city in the midst of the sand wilderness beyond Zavia, in Tripoli, discovered by two Italian engineering officers while reconnoitering in a dirigible balloon, has been identified as Sabatta, a flourishing colony in the days of imperial Rome. Photographs taken by the airmen, received at the war office show imposing, well-preserved ruins, including numerous marble statues of exceptional beauty.

# THE SPIRIT OF THE AGE

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### HARTFORD.

James Whitcomb, who had recently returned to his home after five years' stay in the Brattleboro Retreat for the insane, became violent Sunday morning and will be returned to the institution. He made threats of violence against various people and created some excitement before being placed under restraint.

Rev. John A. Scheurle, formerly pastor of the Hartford Congregational church, has resigned his position as secretary of the Bennington County Vermont Improvement association to accept a similar position in Hampden county, Mass., the movement there being backed by the Massachusetts Agricultural College and the Springfield Board of Trade.

A butterine salesman in this state last week told of a great increase in the sale of the product in Vermont following the action of the legislature in lowering the license fee from \$100 to \$25 for retailers. When the act was passed, there were only 17 places in Vermont where the sale was permitted and the number now handling the article has increased in five weeks to more than 40.

### BIRTHS

In Barnard, March 28, a son to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ward.

In Iron City, Tenn., March 12, a Marian Louise, to Mr. and Mrs. Edward M. Schantz, granddaughter to Mr. and Mrs. Hial Paul Seavy.

### MARRIAGES

In Woodstock, April 2, by Rev. Benjamin Swift, Miss Minnie Abbie Woodruff to Philip Cottrell Garrison of Detroit, Mich.

In Woodstock, March 31, by Rev. E. R. Phillips, Gilbert J. Adams to Miss Nettie E. Huntoon, both of Barnard.

### DEATHS

In Woodstock, March 28, Henry Francis son of Mr. and Mrs. James E. Cook, aged 8 years.

In Ludlow, March 23, Mrs. Ina King McIntyre, wife of John H. McIntyre, aged 18 years, 11 months, 18 days.

# The Ottauquechee Savings Bank

Woodstock, Vermont

INCORPORATED 1847

DEPOSITS JAN. 1, 1913 \$2,053,885.60

SURPLUS 178,268.74

TOTAL ASSETS \$2,232,154.34

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This bank is now paying 4 per cent. interest on deposits.

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### Sunday Services.

Universalist—Rev. H. L. Canfield, pastor; morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 11.45.

Congregational—Rev. Benjamin Swift, pastor. Morning service at 10.30, Sunday school at 11.50. Young People's Society of Christian Endeavor at 7.30. Thursday evening prayer meeting at 7.30.

Methodist Episcopal—Rev. F. T. Clark, pastor. Services Sunday: Preaching, 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school, 11.45 a. m.; Thursday prayer meeting, 7.30 p. m.; Sunday evening meeting, 7.00 p. m.

Catholic—Rev. H. J. Maillet, pastor. Mass at 11 a. m.; evening service at 7.30.

Services will be held the second and fourth Sunday of each month at Village hall, Quechee, at 9 o'clock, and at Barnard, at the town hall, on the second Sunday of each month, at 9 o'clock.

St. James Church—Rev. R. LeBlanc Lynch, rector. Morning Prayer and Sermon 10.30 a. m. Holy Communion on first Sunday in the month after Morning Prayer. Sunday School at noon. Evening Prayer and sermon 5 p. m. All are welcome.

Christian—Pastor, Rev. E. R. Phillips. Services Sunday. Preaching at 10.30 a. m.; Sunday school at 12; J. S. C. E. at 3 p. m.; Y. P. S. C. E. at 7.30 p. m.; mid-week prayer meeting at 7.30 p. m.

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Strenuous efforts have been necessary to keep the quarantine on two Italian homes at Rutland. In one is a case of diphtheria and in the other measles. Two or three neighbors succeeded in getting into one house and now they are kept there.

Several hundred members of the Boston Ladies' Tailors and Dress-makers' Union, who have been on a strike in 68 shops since March 20, returned to work Tuesday.

Rev. W. M. Newton, a former presiding elder in the Vermont Methodist conference, has received an oral call to remain as pastor of the church in Woonsocket, R. I., where he has labored for four years. During his pastorate there the membership has grown from 125 to 190. A large church debt has been raised and money put in the bank. The church asks Mr. Newton to stay with an increase of salary.

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