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NOTES.

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To all busy readers who wish to be well informed, but who have not the time to read all the papers and periodicals, we cannot too highly commend the *Review of Reviews* (monthly) and *Current History*, a quarterly register of current events, in our club list this year for the first time.

Boston Daily Journal.—Having received many inquiries for the *Boston Daily Journal*, we have made arrangements, as will be seen by reference to the above list, for clubbing that paper with the Watchman on very favorable terms. Subscriptions to both papers must be for a full year paid in advance.

The combination with the New York *Press*, a daily newspaper of the front rank, is a rare one. In news and editorial writing the *Press* is one of the most popular papers in the country—bright, enterprising and spirited. We commend this offer to the attention of all who want a clean and able city newspaper with their state paper. Send for sample copy.

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The Laws of Vermont.

Session of 1892.

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I will stamp free (this week only) all linen towels bought at my store. D. S. Wheatley.

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Ask Phillips & Lucas to show you their hair-pins, in tortoise-shell, solid silver and gold—a handsome variety.

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In addition to his heavy trucking business, Clark B. Roberts has put on the road a single team. Baggage to and from all trains. Care, promptness and dispatch at live-and-let-live prices. Office in rear of Exchange hotel. Telephone connection.

Two famous preachers have written striking articles soon to be printed in *The Ladies' Home Journal*—one by Rev. Morgan Dix, D. D., on "Are Society Women Insincere?" and the other by Rev. John R. Paxton, D. D., on "Are Women More Religious than Men?"

The books will tell you that the finest oranges in Florida come from the Indian River country. The first shipment from Swift's grove is expected this week, and parties who would like a dozen or a box can send their address to J. B. Morse, Main street, or to Levi Swift, Middlesex, Vt.

In their advertising space, on page five, the Barnard, Sumner & Putnam Company announce that their trade during this holiday season surpasses any since the house was founded. The great success of the firm is owing in no small degree to its reliability and its extreme efforts to serve its patrons satisfactorily.

For a sore throat there is nothing better than a flannel bandage dampened with Chamberlain's Pain Balm. It will nearly always effect a cure in one night's time. This remedy is also a favorite for rheumatism and has cured many very severe cases. Fifty-cent bottles for sale by C. Blakely, druggist, Montpelier.

There are many veterans who have claims for pensions pending that would do well to consult James E. Curran, Montpelier, Vt., who has had over six years' experience as a special examiner and is thoroughly familiar with all the laws and rulings of the department. He makes increase and rejected claims a specialty. Advice free.

The January (holiday number) of *Godey's Magazine* will be one of the finest specimens of periodical literature ever brought out. The frontispiece, printed in twelve colors, from a water color painting by W. Granville Smith, illustrating the complete novel, "A Christmas Witch," by Gertrude Atherton, is a feature never before attempted. There are also many special and brilliant features in this issue of *Godey's*.

When on a visit to Iowa, Mr. K. Dalton of Luray, Russell county, Kansas, called at the laboratory of Chamberlain & Co., Des Moines, to show them his six-year-old boy, whose life had been saved by Chamberlain's Cough Remedy, it having cured him of a very severe attack of croup. Mr. Dalton is certain that it saved his boy's life and is enthusiastic in his praise of the Remedy. For sale by C. Blakely, druggist, Montpelier.

For Sale.—No. 1 pine lath, No. 1 eighteen-inch spruce shingles, mouldings—all kinds and made to order—house finish, spruce, bass, butternut, ash, oak, cherry, white wood, Alabama hard pine, Michigan pine, flooring of all kinds. Bought at the mills; will be sold cheap for cash. Turning done to order. All kinds of job work in the wood-working line. Telephone connections. United States Clothes Pin Company, Montpelier, Vt.

"Certain hard words, made into pills,
Simply to swell the doctor bills,"

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G. W. Wilder invites attention to a choice selection of calendars, Christmas cards, a very fine assortment of family and teachers' Bibles, gift books for old and young, including a large variety of toy books, games, albums, writing desks and lap tablets, fine stationery, gold pens, etc., etc. Also a large variety of vocal and instrumental folios, new and popular music and music books, pianos, organs, guitars, banjos, mandolins, violins, accordeons, phonoharps, autoharps, piano stools, piano chairs, music racks and cabinets, and other musical goods. Head of State street, Montpelier, Vt.

Annie Ward Tiffany, the recognized leading Irish comedy actress of this country, surrounded by a carefully-chosen company, will be seen at Blanchard opera-house on Thursday evening, December 29, presenting, for the first time here Alfred Kennedy's American comedy, entitled "Lady Blarney," which has received the seal of approval from the hands of press and public. While the comic interest dominates the play, there is also a vein of sentiment which affords Miss Tiffany an opportunity to display her versatility. As one critic has said (quoting from the famous Byron), her performance seemed a "pendulum between a smile and a tear."

"Now is the winter of our discontent" made glorious to all New England people who spend the winter in Florida, where orange groves, strawberries and all the delicacies of a summer climate are now at their best. There are many ways to get there, but one ideal route: The Clyde Line. Their ships are of the most modern construction, providing every comfort and safety and avoiding the rough New England coast. Cuisine par excellence. Rates about one-half those by rail, everything included. If our readers will send their address to J. A. Flanders, Eastern Agent, 201 Washington street, Boston, he will send you circulars and photogravure of one of their new steamers. Be sure to mention the Watchman.

Skewered and Cured. — "First I was skewered and then I was cured," says Jones, and he laughs heartily over his little joke. Well, let him laugh. Let him laugh who wins. He was skewered through and through by dyspepsia and its attendant train of ills. He was cured by Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery. Do you feel dull, languid, low-spirited; experience a sense of fullness or bloating after eating, tongue coated, bitter or bad taste in the mouth, irregular appetite, dizziness, frequent headaches, nervous prostration or exhaustion, hot flushes alternating with chilly sensations, sharp, biting, transient pains here and there, cold feet, drowsiness after meals, wakefulness, or disturbed and unrefreshing sleep, constant and indescribable feeling of dread, or of impending calamity? These are symptoms of bilious dyspepsia, or torpid liver, associated with dyspepsia, or indigestion. Dr. Pierce's Golden Medical Discovery will subdue the cause, if taken according to directions, for a reasonable length of time, or money paid for it will be cheerfully refunded.

Montpelier and Vicinity.

Annual election of Odd Fellows to-night.

Ned Houghton is at home from Amherst College.

Miss Gertrude Meinecke is home from Rutland.

T. J. Boynton was in Burlington last Saturday.

Miss Belle Henry is ill at the Seminary boarding house.

Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Morse are expected home Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. H. M. Fales spent yesterday in Burlington.

F. H. Farrington of Brandon was in town last Monday.

The Capital Savings Bank holds its annual meeting January 12.

Mrs. Milly Fox of Boston is visiting her brother, E. P. Johnson.

We may now look for a dropping off in Sunday-school attendance.

Carlos Bancroft is convalescing from his rather lingering illness.

W. L. Fogg, from Epping, N. H., is the new "local" on the *Argus*.

On and after January 2 the registry fee on letters will be eight cents.

Will A. Ellis spent Christmas at St. Johnsbury, with his parents.

The Bethany Reading Club will meet next Tuesday with Miss White.

Medad Wright & Son ship four polishing machines to Chicago this week.

Mrs. Fred Sylvester is visiting Captain L. M. Hutchinson, her father.

The Bethany Topic Club meets Thursday evening with Mrs. C. H. More.

Assistant State Librarian Wood is growing some elegant gray "chinners."

E. E. Towner and Willard Whitcomb spent the holidays at Manchester, N. H.

The University Club meeting has been deferred to Monday evening of next week.

Mrs. E. W. Chandler has gone to Dickenson, N. D., to reside with her daughters.

Dr. George P. Greeley, brother-in-law of Charles Dewey, is very ill at Nashua, N. H.

L. W. Porter's new hall at West Berlin was opened last Thursday evening with a hop.

Aughtney Allard and Henry Gravelin have gone to Palatka, Fla., to work in a hotel.

Rev. A. N. Lewis and wife went to New Haven, Conn., Sunday night, to spend a week.

"Jim" Markham, conductor on the "Aluminium Line," ate his turkey at Wells River.

Get anything in your stocking? Any diamond rings fall out through a hole in the toe?

Daniel B. Holt of Fargo, N. D., and P. H. Moore of Brunswick, Maine, were in town last Friday.

Ed Blakely has become a comic song fiend. The latest addition to his repertoire is "Mulligan Guards."

Charles Robert Dewey from New York and George P. Dewey from Portland were at home over Christmas.

E. K. Butler is to open a fruit store in the basement formerly occupied by the ill-starred Vendome restaurant.

Mr. and Mrs. George Brainerd spent Christmas at St. Johnsbury, with their daughter, Mrs. Pearl F. Blodgett.

The theme of the sermon at the Baptist church, next Sunday morning, will be "Watchwords for the New Year."

A free supper will be given to the members of the Sunday-school of the Church of the Messiah to-night at five o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Taplin leave for Washington and Winchester, Va., in a fortnight to spend the rest of the winter.

Edward and Henry Deavitt are at home from the University of Vermont, and Hatty Colton from school in Boston.

The express office and the post-office are slowly recovering from the Christmas strain. Both did a rushing buisiness.

Mrs. John Voodry is spending the holidays in New Hampshire and Massachusetts with her daughters who reside there.

The King's Daughters gave a Christmas party to the Industrial School, last Saturday, at the home of Mrs. Anna Dillon.

Landlord Viles of the Pavilion was in Boston last week, and Manager Foster of the Keeley Institute took a trip to New York.

Among the numerous Christmas tree unveilings was an elaborate one for Master Benham, son of Mr. and Mrs. George B. Walton.

The Chautauqua Class will meet with Mrs. C. H. Shipman, corner of Elm and School streets, next Friday afternoon at two o'clock.

The non-partisan Woman's Christian Temperance Union will meet at Woman's Relief Corps hall this (Wednesday) afternoon at three o'clock.

The Woman's Foreign Missionary Society of Trinity church will meet with Mrs. W. O. Chapman, No. 11 St. Paul street, Saturday afternoon at three o'clock.

S. C. Shurtleff drove in from Chelsea last Saturday. It was a wild and rocky journey, but it was better than staying in Chelsea, according to S. C.

The Ladies' Reading Club of Christ church will meet in the rooms of the Woman's Relief Corps, Saturday evening, December 31, at 7:30 o'clock.

The issue of the *Argus* last week contained pictures and descriptions of the World's Fair buildings and was a creditable piece of newspaper work.

Miss Ida Hubbard, formerly teacher of vocal music at the Vermont Methodist Seminary, has gone to Winter Park, Fla., where she has a fine position in a seminary.

Rev. and Mrs. A. B. Truax are sincerely thankful to their friends who so generously remembered them, and whose presence so cheered their household, on December 8.

The leap year party at West Randolph, last Friday night, was attended by Ray and Harriet Huse, G. K. Putnam, Ned Stevens, Louis Hathaway, Ed Blakely, and Miss Eliza George.

Next Monday will be a holiday with the United States officials. The post-office will be open from eight to ten o'clock A. M., and from four to six P. M. Carriers will make one delivery—at eight o'clock in the morning.

James B. Coffin died at his home on St. Paul street, early Sunday morning, after a long illness of consumption. Mr. Coffin was a member of Brooks post, G. A. R., and that organization attended the funeral yesterday afternoon.

An opportunity will be given to the people of Montpelier and surrounding towns to see the "Living Whist" at Blanchard opera-house some time in January. It will be presented under the able management of Professor George Elmore.

The boarders at Hotel Kempton had a fine Christmas tree, loaded with the delicacies of the season. Among the fortunate ones who secured first prizes were Dr. Cleaves, who captured a pumpkin, and Postmaster Goodenough, who lassooed a jack-in-the-box.

Miss Grace Houghton and Miss Laura Ropes are among the later arrivals of Montpelier maidens away at school. The emaciated appearance of these returning misses testifies to the severe asceticism practiced at the various institutions engaged in the evolution of the American girl.

Fred W. Bancroft gave his "Evening with Old English Ballads," last Thursday afternoon, at the residence of Mrs. E. D. Hyde. About fifty ladies were present. Madame Hyde, Mrs. Hyde, Mrs. Cutler and Mrs. Wilson received. After the recital lunch was served. It was a novel and delightful entertainment.

The annual meeting of Bethany society was held Monday evening, Joseph Poland presiding. These officers were elected: Secretary, Rev. C. S. Smith; prudential committee, T. J. Deavitt, Dr. H. S. Boardman, George S. Stratton; treasurer, J. V. Babcock; collector, Will Smith. The meeting adjourned for two weeks.

At the annual meeting of the New England Order of Protection these officers were elected: Warden, Nye L. Smith; V. W., Frank E. Smith; secretary, E. E. Towner; treasurer, Charles F. Buswell; F. S., D. S. Wheatley; guide, William Blanchard, sentinel, S. W. Corse; chaplain, W. F. Waterman; trustee, Fred Chapman.

Detroit offers to Montpelier or any other town in the country a horrible warning. The diphtheria epidemic among the school children there has been traced to the fact that they exchange lead pencils, all of them being dropped into one box at the end of each session. The average child, of course, puts a pencil into its mouth fifty times a day.

David Barton, the itinerant aspen leaf, was fined $10.01, last Wednesday, for intoxication. Peter Amour and wife were arrested the same day, charged with purveying the liquor that caused Davy's downfall. Mrs. Pete claimed that all she gave the pencil peddler was jamaica ginger, and after being tried she was acquitted. Pete's trial is set for Thursday of next week.

Thomas W. Wood has presented to the Apollo Club one of his fine water colors, which he has christened "Our Rip Van Winkle." The subject is Eben Batchelder, a famous fox-hunter of this vicinity not many years ago. The old hunter stands upon the brow of a hill, gun in hand, shading his eyes with his hand as he gazes across the valley of the Winooski. Besides being a faithful portrait of "Old Eb," the picture is a magnificent specimen of water-color work. The technique and coloring are faultless. The picture will be valued highly by the club, and given the place of honor upon its walls.

The Unitarian society held its annual meeting, Monday evening, and elected the following officers: Senior warden, A. Johonnott; junior warden, H. S. Loomis; treasurer, J. G. Brown; clerk, Fred Blanchard; auditors of accounts, R. K. Peck and F. L. Eaton; pew agent, A. D. Farwell; executive committee, F. W. Morse, A. J. Sibley, J. Eli Goodenough, A. C. Blanchard, Mrs. O. H. Richardson, Mrs. F. Blanchard, Mrs. G. W. McAllister; committee to supply pulpit, A. Johonnott and Clark King; committee to solicit subscriptions, J. G. Farwell, Fred Blanchard, Mrs. C. H. Heath. Adjourned for two weeks.

The "experience party" given by the Young People's Fraternity at the Unitarian vestry, last Thursday evening, was well attended and much enjoyed. Nineteen dollars had been earned in many ways, and each contributor narrated his or her experience in scooping together a dollar. Miss Watson was awarded the credit for the most unique experience, which included driving a truck team and blacking boots. The "experiences" were interspersed by four tableaux; duet, Miss Eva Bancroft and Miss Nellie Colby; drum major act by Dean Slayton that would have made Fred Austin pale with envy; Quaker song, in costume, Bertha Dewing and Charlie Wing; boating song, Dean Slayton; "Old Man Moses," Charlie Wing and Dean Slayton.

The *Free Press*, last week, contained the following interesting item: "It is stated that the Kellogg will case in New York city has been decided in favor of Montpelier. This means over $200,000 for a new public library, a chapel and a gateway at Green Mount cemetery." It also means that the *F. P.* correspondent is for once in his existence mistaken. Where he evolved such a remarkable tid-bit of misinformation cannot be conjectured. Neither Mr. Brock nor Mr. Hubbard are aware of such an important decision. The latter has recently returned from New York, and states that the Kellogg will case is practically in the same situation that it was a year ago, and no decision of any kind has been rendered.

Mrs. John Demeritt died last Wednesday morning, aged eighty years and seven months. The funeral was held Friday, Rev. G. W. Gallagher officiating. The bearers were Rev. John P. Demeritt, Charles E. Demeritt, George Riker and George L. Nichols. Amira Jordon was born in Moretown, May 24, 1812. She married John Demeritt in Hardwick, January 1, 1835. They had five children—Rev. John P. Demeritt of Exeter, N. H., Martha A., who died in Burlington, October 8, 1869; Laura Etta, now Mrs. James D. Riker of New York; Julia A., now Mrs. Flanders of Chicago; and Charles E., the well-known policeman of this town. Although far advanced in age, Mrs. Demeritt was quite sprightly. She was one of those "dear old ladies" that one likes to meet. Her husband, who is a few years older than she, will hereafter make his home with Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Demeritt.

H. W. Kemp was in St. Johnsbury, last Friday, examining banks. The *Republican* of that town alleges that Elisha May is slated to succeed Mr. Kemp as national bank examiner for Vermont upon Cleveland's accession to the throne. The *Republican* interviewed a "local bank official" as to the work and fees of a bank examiner in this state, and succeeded in extracting and publishing more misstatements than facts. "The law provides that no fee shall be less than $25, and from that it runs up to $40;" as a matter of fact it runs from $20 to $50. "There are forty national banks in the state;" there are fifty. "The duties of the position take up just about one month in the course of a year;" fifty banks mean fifty days, and it requires a day more for each to make a report, besides many days spent in correspondence, so that the position demands four months' work each year. The position of bank examiner is no snap, and Mr. Kemp will retire with an excellent grace.

Doubtless numerous of our readers remember C. H. Frye, who worked in all the local printing offices not many years ago. Some who may not remember Frye may remember his vivacious wife, Jennie. The couple lived in Hyde block, and Jane cut quite a figure. She has in later years carved a larger and more unique figure down-country, and the sporting papers have devoted considerable space to unveiling her checkered career. Jennie used to live in Sing Sing and upper New York, and associated with men and women of rather shady character. One of her constant adorers was a gentleman with the euphonious name of "Ash Barrel Jimmy." Later she married Frye, who is now in Bellows Falls, and afterward deserted him. Then she joined the Salvation Army, and began a starring tour of the country, with the title of "Captain Jennie." She made her first appearance in Elizabeth, N. J., in 1884, at the head of a detachment of Salvation Army lassies. She was vivacious, pretty, and a good singer. Everybody in Elizabeth was crazy to see her, and hear her exhort sinners to repentance. Half a dozen men wanted to marry her, and finally she selected Henry H. Moore, and retired from the army. Every one wept when she sang her farewell song. Soon afterward Captain Jennie was arrested for bigamy. Frye, her first husband, appeared from Bellows Falls, and testified against her. But the jury were susceptible young men, and acquitted the fair defendant, whereat strong men wept and women shrieked with joy. Moore applied to the court of chancery for a divorce and got it. Jennie's career of glory was slightly dimmed, so she married Anthony Berger. Now she has caused another sensation by eloping from Elizabeth with Reuben Shafter. Captain Jennie is thirty years old. She retains a fair proportion of her former beauty, and recently boasted to her neighbors that she could, if she desired, charm the heart of any man in Elizabeth.

Seminary Hill.

Miss Rood was at home over Sunday.

Mr. Batterson was at his sister's in Bradford over Sunday.

The young people had a social in the dining-hall Saturday evening.

Professor Bishop's family had a Christmas tree in their rooms Saturday evening.

Rev. James Stevens, who has been preaching at Berlin this year, was presented with $13 on Christmas day.

Christmas in Montpelier.

Very unlike the green Christmas of last year was that of '92, which was very white and very fierce. The wind howled, and blew the powdery snow into eddying, blinding clouds, and the atmosphere was wickedly cold. Indoors, however, peace, good will and good cheer reigned.

Christmas services were held at all the churches. At St. Augustine's midnight mass ushered in the birthday of our Lord, and Sunday mass was said at 8 and 10:30 A. M. At the latter mass Father Sullivan preached a strong sermon. The music was elaborate.

At Bethany the regular service was carried out in the morning, with an appropriate sermon by the pastor. The choir sang Buck's festival Te Deum in C; "And there were shepherds," Holden; and "The birthday of the King," Neidlinger. In the evening there was a concert by the Sunday-school, assisted by the choir and Mr. Holton's cornet. The church was very prettily trimmed.

The excellent music at the Unitarian church Christmas morning was rendered by a sextette—F. W. Bancroft, George A. Knapp, Burt M. Shepard, Carl Shepard, Mrs. F. I. Pitkin, and Mrs. H. M. Willard. The evening exercises included carols by the school and choir, with solos by Mr. Bancroft, Mrs. Pitkin, and Mrs. Willard; ideas of Santa Claus, by six boys of Miss Cutler's class; reading by Harley Darling; recitations, Rollo Blanchard and Carlie Richardson; "Building of the Ladder," by Mrs. Harlow Smith's class; solo by Bertha Dewing. A letter from Mr. Wright was read, and Superintendent Andrews announced that Lucy Gould had been absent from Sunday-school once during the year, and then on account of illness. The announcement was also made that there would be a supper for the Sunday-school this evening, from five till seven, after which there would be an entertainment and social for the grown-ups. Instead of the benediction, the choir chanted the Lord's Prayer. The church was handsomely trimmed with festoons of evergreen, including two big bells.

At the Methodist church the pastor preached from Luke ii: 15—"And the shepherds said, let us now go into Bethlehem." The music comprised a solo by Miss Myra B. Ross, "Night of Nights," and the anthem, "Hark! what mean those holy voices?" In the evening the regular prayer-meeting was held.

Christ church was gaily decked for the festival. Rope cedar was twisted about the pillars, and festooned in profusion through the center of the church. In the windows was cedar, and a striking contrast was the Ella Dewey Pitkin memorial window, which was decked with pink and white carnations. Saturday night was devoted to the children's festival, with its carols and heavily laden tree, on which was a purse of money for the rector. The rector gave an address to the children, in which he alluded to the chilly days of the Puritans, when Christmas was almost prohibited. Sunday morning, for the first time, was held the full Christmas service according to the revised prayer book. Holy communion was administered, and regular Sunday-school services were held.

Monday evening at Bethany the Sunday-school held its festival. There was a tree bowed down by presents, a Christmas cantata, and recitations by the little folks. Will Smith and George More appeared in a double reindeer act, and Theron Colton personated Santa Claus.

At the Methodist church the cantata, "Jolly Christmas," was presented, under the efficient superintendence of W. C. Taplin. Walter Taplin was "Santa Claus," and the other leading parts were assumed by Anna Mayo, Mary Hough, Bert Yaw, and Chester Waller. Two Christmas trees were stripped.

The Baptists had the traditional tree, with a supper and social. The young folks recited and sang, and merrily plundered the tree. A twenty-dollar gold piece was presented to the pastor, Rev. G. O. Webster.