

FARMERS NEED
GOOD SYSTEM
OF CREDITS

**President Wilson Urges
Congress to Adopt Legis-
lation That Will Place
Their Industry on Same
Basis as Forestry and
Mining**

**WE LAG FAR BEHIND
OTHER COUNTRIES**

**The President Repeats That
Huerta Must Go and That
Indications Continue to
Point to That Consum-
mation**

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—Regret that the United States as a government has done so little to aid the farmers in building up the agricultural interests of the country and a suggestion for the adoption of a system of farm credits formed salient features of the message of President Wilson, which was submitted to Congress to-day. As to the Mexican affair, the president reiterated his belief that the downfall of Huerta must come and that the downfall seems more certain with each succeeding day.

"Gentlemen of the Congress:
"In pursuance of my constitutional duty to give to the Congress information of the state of the union, I take the liberty of addressing you on several matters which ought, as it seems to me, particularly to engage the attention of your honorable bodies, as of all who study the welfare and progress of the nation."

"I shall ask your indulgence if I venture to depart in some degree from the usual custom of setting before you in formal review the many matters which have engaged the attention and called for the action of the several departments of the government or which look to them for early treatment in the future, because the list is long, very long, and would, suffer in the abbreviation to which I should have to subject it. I shall submit to you the reports of the heads of the several departments, in which these subjects are set forth in careful detail, and beg that they may receive the thoughtful attention of your committees and of all members of the Congress who may have the leisure to study them. Their obvious importance, as constituting the very substance of the business of the government, makes comment and emphasis on my part unnecessary."

At Peace With World.

"The country, I am thankful to say, is at peace with all the world, and many happy manifestations multiply about us of a growing cordiality and sense of community of interest among the nations, foreshadowing an age of settled peace and good will. More and more readily each decade do the nations manifest their willingness to bind themselves by solemn treaty to the processes of peace, the processes of frankness and fair concession. So far the United States has stood at the front of such negotiations. She will, I earnestly hope and confidently believe, give fresh proof of her sincere adherence to the cause of international friendship by ratifying the several treaties of arbitration awaiting renewal by the Senate. In addition to these, it has been the privilege of the department of state to gain the assent in principle, of no less than 31 nations, representing four-fifths of the population of the world, to the negotiations of treaties by which it shall be agreed that whenever differences of interest or of policy arise which can not be resolved by the ordinary processes of diplomacy they shall be publicly analyzed, discussed, and reported upon by a tribunal chosen by the parties before either nation determines its course of action."

"There is only one possible standard by which to determine controversies between the United States and other nations, and that is compounded of these two elements: Our own honor and our obligations to the peace of the world. A test so compounded ought easily to be made to govern both the establishment of new treaty obligations and the interpretation of those already assumed."

Huerta Bound to Fail.

"There is but one cloud upon our horizon. That has shown itself to the south of us, and hangs over Mexico. There can be no certain prospect of peace in America until Gen. Huerta has surrendered his usurped authority in Mexico; until it is understood on all hands, and that such pretended governments will not be countenanced or dealt with by the government of the United States. We are the friends of constitutional government in America; we are more than its friends, we are its champions; because in no other way can our neighbors, to whom we would wish in every way to make proof of our friendship, work out their own development in peace and liberty. Mexico has no government. The attempt to maintain order at the City of Mexico has broken down, and a mere military despotism has been set up which has hardly more than the semblance of national authority. It originated in the usurpation of Victoriano Huerta, who, after a brief attempt to play the part of constitutional president, has at last cast aside even the pretense

of legal right and declared himself dictator. As a consequence, a condition of affairs now exists in Mexico which has made it doubtful whether even the most elementary and fundamental rights either of her own people or of the citizens of other countries resident within her territory can long be successfully safeguarded, and which threatens, if long continued, to imperil the interests of peace, order, and tolerable life in the hands immediately to the south of us. Even if the usurper had succeeded in his purposes, in despite of the constitution of the republic and the rights of its people, he would have set up nothing but a precarious and hateful power, which could have lasted but a little while, and whose eventual downfall would have left the country in a more deplorable condition than ever. But he has not succeeded. He has forfeited the respect and the moral support even of those who were at one time willing to see him succeed. Little by little he has been completely isolated. By a little every day his power and prestige are crumbling and the collapse is not far away. We shall not, I believe, be obliged to alter our policy of watchful waiting. And then, when the end comes, we shall hope to see constitutional order restored in distressed Mexico by the concert and energy of such of her leaders as prefer the liberty of their people to their own ambitions."

Farm Credit System Needed.

"I turn to matters of domestic concern. You already have under consideration a bill for the reform of our system of banking and currency, for which the country waits with impatience, as for something fundamental to its whole business life and necessary to set credit free from arbitrary and artificial restraints. I need not say how earnestly I hope for its early enactment into law. I take leave to beg that the whole energy and attention of the Senate be concentrated upon it till the matter is successfully disposed of. And yet I feel that the request is not needed—that the members of the great House, no urging in this service to the country."

"I present to you, in addition, the urgent necessity that special provision be made also for facilitating the credits needed by the farmers of the country. The pending currency bill does the farmers a great service. It puts them upon an equal footing with other business men and masters of enterprise, as it should, and upon its passage they will find themselves quit of many of the difficulties which now hamper them in the field of credit. The farmers, of course, ask and should be given no special privilege, such as extending to them the credit of the government itself. What they need and should obtain is legislation which will make their own abundant and substantial credit resources available as a foundation for joint, concerted local action in their own behalf in getting the capital they must use. It is to this we should now address ourselves."

"It has, singularly enough, come to pass that we have allowed the industry of our farmers to lag behind the other activities of the country in its development. I need not stop to tell you how fundamental to the life of the nation is the production of its food. Our thoughts may ordinarily be concentrated upon the cities and the hives of industry, upon the cries of the crowded market place and the clangor of the factory, but it is from the quiet interspersed of the open country and the free hill-sides that we draw the sources of life and of prosperity, from the farm and the ranch, from the forest and the mine. Without these every street would be silent, every office deserted, every factory fallen into disrepair. And yet the farmer does not stand upon the same footing with the forester and the miner in the market of credit. He is the servant of the seasons. Nature determines how long he must wait for his crops, and will not be hurried in her processes. He may give his note, but the season of its maturity depends upon the season when his crop matures, lies at the gates of the market where his products are sold. And the security given is of a character known to the broker's office or as familiarly as it might be on the counter of the banker."

Agricultural Department Assists.

"The agricultural department of the government is seeking to assist it never before to make farming an efficient business, of wide co-operative effort, in quick touch with the markets for foodstuffs. The farmers and the government will henceforth work together as real partners in this field, where we now begin to see our way very clearly and where many intelligent plans are already being put into execution. The treasury of the United States has, by a timely and well-considered distribution of its deposits, facilitated the moving of the crops in the present season and prevented the scarcity of available funds too often experienced at such times. But we must not allow ourselves to depend upon extraordinary expedients. We must add the means by which the farmer may make his credit constantly and easily available and command when he will the capital by which to support and expand his business. We lag behind many other great countries of the modern world in attempting to do this. Systems of rural credit have been studied and developed on the other side of the water while we left our farmers to shift for themselves in the ordinary money market. You have but to look about you in any rural district to see the result, the handicap and embarrassment which have been put upon those who produce our food."

"Conscious of this backwardness and neglect on our part, the Congress recently authorized the creation of a special commission to study the various systems of rural credit which have been put into operation in Europe, and this commission is already prepared to report. Its report ought to make it easier for us to determine what methods will be best suited to our own farmers. I hope and believe that the committees of the Senate and House will address themselves to this matter with the most fruitful results."

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GIVE BIG ORDER
FOR FIREARMS

**Mexican Federals Maké a
Provisional Contract for
500,000 Mausers**

AND MILLION ROUNDS
OF AMMUNITION

**Orders Said to Have Been
Placed in Berlin and
Vienna**

Mexico City, Dec. 2.—A provisional contract has been signed with manufacturers in Berlin and Vienna for the delivery of 500,000 Mauser rifles and 1,000,000 cartridges to the Mexican federal government. It is stated here that the final signatures to the contract will be given by the agents in London.

Rebels Occupy Chihuahua.

Juarez, Mex., Dec. 2.—Hasty preparations were under way to-day in the rebel ranks for the occupation of Chihuahua, the capital of Chihuahua state, which is reported to have been evacuated by the federals because of the threatened starvation of its 35,000 population. General Villa said that Chihuahua would be made the rebel base for aggressive southern activities. "We will be shooting at the ramparts of Mexico City within a month," said Villa; "we are confident that when the people of the capital realize we have captured almost all the north and are in sight of the city's gates they will voice their feeling and clamor for the downfall of the usurper."

According to the reports, the people of Chihuahua insisted that the federals evacuate the city, declaring that if the garrison resisted, the fighting would result in the wholesale killing of non-combatants. General Mares, Huerta's military governor, is said to be fleeing toward the United States with 2,000 furnished soldiers.

14 BAY STATE CITIES
HOLD ELECTIONS

**Hot Campaigns Have Been Waged in
Many Cities Over the Liquor Question and Improved Business Methods.**

Boston, Dec. 2.—Fourteen Massachusetts cities held municipal elections to-day. Besides contests for various city offices, hot campaigns had been waged in many cities on the liquor question. Improved business methods in the conduct of municipal affairs was the slogan of many mayoralty candidates.

The cities electing to-day are Brockton, Fall River, Fitchburg, Gloucester, Haverhill, Holyoke, Marlboro, New Bedford, Northampton, Pittsfield, Quincy, Springfield, Taunton and Waltham.

VERMONT BUSINESS TROUBLES.

Three Involuntary Petitions Have Been Filed.

Rutland, Dec. 2.—Involuntary petitions in bankruptcy were filed yesterday afternoon in the office in this city of Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States court, against William C. Fletcher of Brandon, former deputy sheriff, and Seaman & Novitsky of Fair Haven, grocers. The petitioning creditors in the Fletcher case and their accounts are as follows: F. O. Bailey Carriage company, Pittsford, Me., \$2,700.00; J. R. Hill & Co., Concord, N. H., \$45.55; Ramo Speirs Co., Boston, \$40.89. Lawrence, Lawrence & Stafford of this city and Woodman & Whitehouse of Portland are counsel for the petitioners.

The creditors in the Fair Haven case are: Lewis D. Allen, Fair Haven, \$48.43; Lewis DeGroot's Sons, New York, \$281.45; C. L. Hunt, Troy, N. Y., \$78.84; John P. Skiff, Bushwick, N. Y., \$120.50. The members of the alleged bankrupt firm are Nathan Seaman and Max Novitsky. Philip M. M. Phelps of Fair Haven is counsel for the petitioners.

An involuntary petition has been filed against Isaac S. Yett of Montpelier. The petitioning creditors and the amounts of their claims are as follows: Enterprise Rubber company, Boston, \$419.85; H. B. Reed & Co., Manchester, N. H., \$194.75; Congress Shoe company, Boston, \$362.

It is alleged by the petitioners that Mr. Yett transferred some of his property to S. Berman of Montpelier on Oct. 2, 1913, for the purpose of defrauding his creditors, and also that he showed a preference to eleven creditors. A. S. Sargent of Barre is counsel for the petitioners.

FAIL TO FIX DATE
FOR CURRENCY VOTE

**Democrats in Senate Now Plan to Force
Senate to Early Vote by Exhausting
the Members.**

Washington, D. C., Dec. 2.—An effort to get an agreement to vote in the Senate on the currency bill on December 2 failed to-day, but the Democrats began an energetic program which they expect will force early action. Senator Williams of Mississippi announced that it was the intention of the Democrats to exhaust the Senate to force an early vote.

GRANITEVILLE.

The management of the Bijou theatre has been secured to produce a list of extraordinary pictures to-morrow night at the opening of the Woodmen fair. "The Better Father," a special two-reel feature, and other excellent comedy pictures will be shown. Don't miss this great treat.—Adv.

GERMAN OFFICER
CLEAVES CITIZEN

**Causing Fresh Burst of Indignation To
Break Out in Alsace Town—Serious
Rioting and Bloodshed Is Feared.**

Zabern, Alsace, Germany, Dec. 2.—Lieutenant Baron Von Forstner, who started the trouble between the troops and civilians here by referring scornfully to the citizens, aroused still further indignation to-day by cutting down a lame shoemaker with his sabre and dangerously wounding him.

Von Forstner was leading his company into the country to go through the morning drill, when a group of workmen recognized him while passing through a small village. The workmen hooted the officer, who sent armed soldiers in pursuit. The infantrymen succeeded in catching only the lame shoemaker, who resisted arrest.

Von Forstner came up and deliberately struck him on the head with the sharp edge of his sabre. This fresh incident has created such tension in this vicinity that serious bloodshed is feared unless the unpopular officer is transferred immediately.

BIG MAINE PLANT
WAS WIPED OUT

**American Shoe Findings Company at
Bingham Was Destroyed This Morning,
Causing Loss of \$100,000.**

Bingham, Me., Dec. 2.—The plant of the American Shoe Findings company was burned last night by a loss estimated at \$100,000, largely on machinery. The concern manufactured shoe shanks, pegs and bobbins. There is only one other factory of the kind in the country.

NEARLY 500 ALLEGED SPEEDERS.

**Brought Into Court in New York in a
Single Day.**

New York, Dec. 2.—Nearly 500 automobile drivers, both professional chauffeurs and owners of cars, came to police courts yesterday in response to summonses handed to them Sunday in a crusade by the city authorities against speeding in the streets. In November a new monthly record of automobile accident fatalities was established. Fines of \$30 or \$25, amounting to \$2,500, were collected from those found guilty yesterday. More than 100 refused to pay and were taken to jail for one to five days. Magistrates announced that more severe penalties would be imposed hereafter. Several of the defendants were women.

Among those who elected to accept the jail alternative was Theodore Roosevelt III, a relative of Theodore Roosevelt. Pell, entering the jail to serve a nominal one-day term ending at five o'clock in the afternoon, was greeted with cheers. He announced he would buy dinners for all the Attaches were dispatched to nearby restaurants and automobiles and all others in jail enjoyed Pell's hospitality, which cost him the amount of the fine he had declined to pay for overspeeding.

TALK OF THE TOWN

The young people of St. John the Baptist church, Westerville, will give a play on Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock in the vestry of the Church of the Good Shepherd, Barre. A cordial invitation is extended to all. Admission, 50c. Free will contributions. The program is: "George F. Mackay will render a vocal solo, Miss Maude Coburn will play a piano solo, and Misses Rickert and Mackay will give a piano duet."

A few minutes before noon to-day, a northbound street car collided with a bakery cart near the corner of North Main and Cottage streets. The wagon was overturned, but the driver, who did not get out of the seat, managed to reach his feet in time to hold the horse in check. The bakery cart carried a heavy cargo of bread, and when the collision occurred a large number of loaves were strewn over the flagging. The Rossi bakery owns the outfit, it is said.

Owing to a conflict of dates, it has been decided to postpone the banquet to have been given Friday evening in honor of the football eleven and coaches at Squidling high school. Sponsors for the affair are determined that the team's record shall not pass without some expression of appreciation and to that end it is likely that the banquet will be served in the City hotel on the evening of Dec. 10. A number of prominent alumni and business and professional men who have followed the team's fortunes are expected to be present and their success is now nearly assured.

The Deaconess' home, which is connected with the North Barre Methodist mission, was the scene of a joyous party last evening, when some 25 young people and the deaconesses in charge came together to welcome Dr. and Mrs. J. W. Hatch of Montpelier and the same institution. Principal Hatch gave an interesting talk and others who spoke were Sidney Oliver and Professor Sweet. A program of games and music served as an absorbing diversion and all entered heartily into the spirit of the occasion. Refreshments were served.

Some of Barre's finest poultry pens are to be represented at the annual Empire poultry show to be held in New York this week and at the annual exhibit of the Bellows Falls Poultry association, which is to open late in the week. A number of local poultry breeders were busy yesterday crating birds for Bellows Falls and New York. Mrs. Jerry Carr sent a pen of five Butterbuns to the New York show. The breed is considered comparatively rare by poultry experts and local hen men believe that Mrs. Carr's fine showing of Butterbuns will prove a sure winner. Alderman William Brown of the sixth ward is sending an exhibit of Rhode Island Reds to the Windham county show and Charles Oliver is to be represented at Bellows Falls by several pens of Buff Rocks. Both Alderman Brown and Mr. Oliver have carried away honors in Montpelier and Springfield with their chosen breeds. Another Barre fancier who will exhibit at Bellows Falls is Sherman N. Parker, the harness man, who was busy yesterday shipping his finest pen of pet game. It is likely that a few Barre men will attend the show later in the week.

FLOOD SWEEP
10 TO DEATH

**Swollen Creek in Texas Car-
ried Death and De-
struction**

50 HOUSES WERE
DEMOLISHED BY RUSH

**Belton Received the Worst
Blown and Temple Also
Was Torn**

Belton, Texas, Dec. 2.—Ten persons are reported to have perished in a thirty-foot wave which came without warning down Nolan creek before day-break. The creek runs through the center of the city, and fifty houses were swept away.

Mrs. W. C. Polk and four children were caught asleep in their home and were drowned. Mr. Polk with another child escaped to high ground. Five fatalities, a man, his wife and their three children, were reported to have occurred in a family of campers. Their names are not known.

A street bridge in Temple was demolished, carrying an unknown man to his death. The creek's rise was the result of a downpour of four hours' duration.

PALL OF NIGHT
HANGS OVER CHICAGO

**This Is the Eighth Consecutive Day
Without Sunshine and There Is
Deep Gloom in the City.**

Chicago, Dec. 2.—Dense gloom shrouded this city to-day for the third time in two weeks. The fog and smoke brought conditions causing much delay in street traffic; lights glowed in the office buildings and the street car and automobile headlights could be seen but a short distance. This is the eighth consecutive day without sunshine.

BURIAL AT BARRE

**Of Mrs. Delphine L. Poulson of Williams-
town, Who Died Saturday.**

Funeral services for Mrs. Delphine L. Poulson, of Williamsstown, whose death occurred in Graniteville last Saturday evening, were held at St. Sylvester's church this morning at 9 o'clock. The pastor, Rev. Joseph Turcot, officiating. A delegation from the Ladies of St. Anne, to which society the deceased belonged, attended the funeral and formed a part of the escort to the Catholic cemetery on Beckley street, this city, where the interment was made. The bearers were as follows: David, Charles and Thomas Poulson, sons of the deceased, and Joseph Poulson, Fred Lapoint and Edward Bishop, sons-in-law of Mrs. Poulson.

Mrs. Poulson's death occurred while she was a guest in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tamas of Graniteville. One week ago Saturday, she was stricken with pneumonia and her condition failed rapidly. Besides three sons, David, Charles and Joseph, there are three daughters surviving, Mrs. Annie Lapoint, Mrs. Rose Lapoint and Mrs. Delphine Bishop. Mrs. Poulson was born in Quebec 48 years ago, her maiden name being Delphine Lapoint. She was married in Quebec 50 years ago to Henry Poulson, who died in October, 1895. Mrs. Poulson came to Barre Town with her husband 21 years ago. She was a devout member of St. Sylvester's church and had been active in the ladies' society of St. Ann.

TRACY'S DEPUTIES NAMED.

**Washington County Sheriff Appoints
Men for the Ensuing Year.**

Sheriff F. H. Tracy has appointed the following deputies for the ensuing year: Barre, H. J. Slayton, A. M. Morrison, George Morris, Barre Town, W. F. Cutler, Walter Bixby; Berlin, W. J. Royce; Cabot, L. C. Lance; Duxbury, H. J. Parcher; East Montpelier, Frank Blodiah; Plainfield, E. D. Bartlett; Marshfield, S. H. Unwin; Middlesex, John F. Hastings; Montpelier, H. C. Lawson, C. A. Smith; Fayston, George Granfield; Watfield, O. G. Eaton; Northfield, J. H. Plumb; W. W. Holden; Roxbury, Frank H. Morrill; Warren, John Mobus; Waterbury, E. E. Campbell, V. A. Dillingham; Woodbury, H. F. Benjamin, John Morse.

The following special deputies have been appointed: Barre, Harry Gamble, George Howe, Samuel Sinclair, Ed. McLeod; Montpelier, A. A. Emery, E. B. Gilbert.

WINDSOR COUNTY BAR BANQUET.

**Was Held at Woodstock Inn with 40
Members Present.**

Woodstock, Dec. 2.—About 40 members of the Windsor County Bar association attended the annual banquet at the Woodstock inn last night. Ex-Governor S. E. Pingree of Hartford and Gilbert A. Davis of Windsor were among the older members present, the latter having practiced 64 years. State's Attorney Raymond Tron of White River Junction was toastmaster, and among the speakers were: H. H. Blanchard of Springfield, E. G. Bicknell of Chester, Judge F. C. Southgate of Woodstock, Gilbert A. Davis of Windsor, and Col. J. H. Mims of Burlington.

Proceeding the banquet, a memorial meeting was held at the courthouse, at which papers were read on the late Judge C. H. Maxham of Pomfret, Judge T. O. Seaver of Woodstock, E. B. Flynn of Springfield, L. E. Sherwin of Chester, and Jonathan Farnsworth of Windsor.

Weather Forecast.

Generally cloudy to-night and Wednesday; light to moderate southeast and east winds.

CALL WINDHAM, N. H. MAN.

**Graniteville Presbyterians Wish to
Secure Rev. Fred McNeill's Services.**

Presbyterians of Graniteville voted in congregational meeting last night to extend a call to Rev. Fred McNeill, who is now supplying the church at Windham, N. H. There was a large gathering of Presbyterians at the church when Rev. Duncan Salmond, pastor of the First Presbyterian church, this city, called the meeting to order. He acted as moderator during the evening and when the question of calling Rev. Mr. McNeill came up for consideration there was hardly a dissenting vote.

The Graniteville Presbyterian church has been without a pastor since the resignation of Rev. George McArthur because effective early in October. It is understood that the church is anxious to secure a pastor as early as possible and if the Windham clergyman accepts the call he will be asked to begin his duties in the near future.

CONDUCT AUTOPSY
OVER BETHEL WOMAN

**Sister and Daughter of Mrs. Julia Fow-
ler Engage Legal Adviser, and State's
Attorney Trainer Takes Up
Investigation.**

Bethel, Dec. 2.—The sister and daughter of Mrs. Julia Fowler, whose sudden death occurred Saturday night, arrived from Boston yesterday morning and engaged the services of Charles Batchelder as legal adviser. Meanwhile, the state's attorney, Raymond Trainer, of White River Junction, acting, it is understood, at the separate requests of the sister and the Bethel selection, was arranging for an autopsy, which was performed yesterday afternoon by Dr. B. H. Stone, director of the state laboratory of hygiene, assisted by Dr. E. H. Butties, in the presence of Dr. O. W. Greene, local health officer, and Dr. G. W. Scott of Randolph, the deceased woman's physician at some time in the past. The report of the autopsy will be made to the state's attorney.

HAD MONEY THAT BURNED.

**But William T. Carley Saved Enough of
\$50 Remnants To Get Money Back.**

It was the four weeks ago yesterday afternoon that William T. Carley, a stone cutter living at 75 Prospect street, handed his wife \$50 in bills. Some 15 minutes less than four weeks ago the same afternoon, Mrs. Carley was carrying some gingham remnants from her lap and emptied them into the kitchen range—with the paper currency, \$50. Shifting the scenery again, yesterday Mr. Carley came out of the Granite Savings bank with a crisp roll of new bills, \$50 worth. For it may be stated here that he happened to see his wife when she accidentally dumped the 50 into the fire and was able to rescue the frayed ends of every bill. That is now he happened to get his money back, although there were anxious days when it looked as though the government would refuse to honor the scorched paper.

The moment Mrs. Carley discovered that she had been feeding the fire such expensive fuel, her husband did a dash across the room and managed to snatch a blazing handful of gingham and bills out of the coals. Most of the matter was burned to a crisp, but he managed to sort out the recognizable corners of a 20, a 10 and four five-spots, which he later carried to the bank. Some people suggested that Mr. Carley would get a good lesson in cautiousness from his experience and that would be about all, or words to that effect. It hardly seemed to them as though Uncle Sam would be willing to invest in \$50 worth of charred banknotes.

However, the officials of the Granite bank told Mr. Carley they would do the best they could for him. His collection of paper was sent to the bank's Boston representative, the First National bank, and from there it was turned over to the treasury department at Washington, D. C., with a recital of the circumstances surrounding its partial incineration. The local banker can only reply yesterday and were able to turn in the value of the remnants over to Mr. Carley in the afternoon.

IN COURT TO-MORROW

**Homer Knight, Who Is Charged at Wa-
terbury.**

Homer Knight, the young Waterbury employe of the Central Vermont railroad, who was arrested a few weeks ago on charges of larceny, will be in court to-morrow. Knight was employed about the station and the larceny charge specifies that he purloined certain articles belonging to other employes. His arrest caused a mild sensation in Waterbury, as he had been considered a young man of exemplary habits. After the arrest he was bound over for appearance at the March term of Washington county court. Failing to procure bail, he was lodged in the county jail.

Yesterday the young man's father came to Barre from Greenfield, Mass., and had a long conference with State's Attorney J. Ward Caver, who is representing the state. It was finally agreed to produce young Knight in city court to-morrow.

RICHFORD RECTOR RESIGNS.

**Rev. W. F. Forsythe Is Going to Maine
for Mission Work.**

Richford, Dec. 2.—Rev. W. F. Forsythe, rector of St. Ann's Episcopal church, has tendered his resignation, the resignation to take effect not later than May 1. He will go to Mount Desert, Me., where he will engage in mission work. Rev. Mr. Forsythe has been in the Vermont diocese since 1899, having positions at Middlebury, Enosburg Falls and Richford, successively, having been located here since 1911.

MARSHFIELD.

All grangers are invited to attend a wedding reception to be given in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Brown next Wednesday evening, Dec. 3rd. Those who hold application for membership in this order are also invited. Ladies will please bring cake. Refreshments will be served.

WILL SELL OLD
SCHOOLHOUSE

**Which Is to Be Abandoned
for New Structure at
North Barre**

COUNCIL EM-
PLOYERS
SCHOOL COMMISSION

**New Building Likely to Be
Ready for Occupancy
January 1**

With the ward four schoolhouse about to be abandoned for educational purposes in favor of modern brick structure on the heights at North Barre, the school commissioners were authorized by the city council at its regular fortnightly meeting last night to sell the structure at the junction of Beckley and Third streets. The commissioners reported that the new North Barre building would be ready for occupancy by Jan. 1, 1914. It was intimated that other proposals to purchase had been received by the commission. Messrs. Alex. Gordon and Edwin Keast, representing the commissioners, were cautioned not to complete the sale until it is fully ascertained that the building and lot may be sold without infringing upon the title provisions.

Mayor Ward was in the chair and every member was present. A tentative agreement between the city and the People's Lighting, Heating & Power Co. was read and accepted for signature by the aldermanic fire committee. The agreement bears upon the gas company's contract to furnish steam for the fire whistle for a period of three years beginning Jan. 1. The price stipulated for the term is \$450, to be paid in semi-annual installments of \$75. The company is bound by the contract to report all wire disconnections, etc., to the fire chief and the committee.

In a communication to the council, J. P. Corskie announced his determination to build a wall on his Elm street property and divert the water flowing from Perrin hill to Tremont street if the city did not take steps to control the course of the water. Chairman Patterson of the street committee said that a surface sewer constructed along Elm street at a cost of \$1,500 would take care of the water. In commenting upon the situation he said he wasn't sure the city could be held altogether responsible for surface water. A previous investigation convinced the street committee, according to a subsequent report, that the water is now following a natural course. On a motion made by Alderman Bancroft, the street committee was instructed to confer with the city attorney in the matter and report.

Chief Sinclair's police department report for October was read as follows and accepted for filing: Total number of arrests, 33; divided as follows, intoxication 11, selling 4, search and seizure 5, breach of the peace 4, larceny 5, violation of city ordinances 1, cigarette selling to minors 1, carelessly operating an auto 1, non-support 1.

Building Inspector George Rand reported the granting of 20 minor permits during October. He made a favorable comment in the request of H. J. Slayton for permission to roof buildings on Brook and Mill streets and permits were ordered granted. Through Alderman Patterson, James Field asked permission to erect a garage on Washington street. The inspector was instructed to investigate and report to the city clerk if he could make a favorable recommendation. LeClair & McNulty were given permission to move their blacksmith shop from its present location to a site facing Blackwell street. The fire committee reported that Trow & Holden had withdrawn the request for permission to build a coal shed on South Main street.

Parents of young James Sterling, deaf and dumb themselves, asked that the city furnish bond in the sum of \$300 for the youngster's admission to the Austine institute for the deaf and dumb at Brattleboro. The state insists that such a bond be furnished by the city or town to indemnify the state against sickness and clothing requisitions. On a motion made by Alderman Brown, it was voted to furnish the bond if Mr. Sterling, in turn, could indemnify the city in the same sum. Mr. Sterling had already intimated that he could secure someone to join him in the kind of bond desired.

Chairman Calder of the fire committee called attention to the condition of the interior of the fire station and urged that provisions be made for varnishing, cleaning, painting, etc. It was argued that the station had stood the usage of nine years with few repairs. The fire committee was authorized to prepare specifications and receive bids for doing the work.

The committee of the whole reported its investigation of the request for a sewer off Boynton street and recommended that a sewer to cost \$225 be dug off Littlejohn, Odgers & Milne and the Carwell-Welmore firm would promise to assume half the expense, as they are to be the principal users. The report was accepted and ordered filed. Reporting on conditions at the city dump, the health committee recommended that signs bearing the regulations for refuse disposal be printed, and posted on the Brook street premises and that a man be employed to clean the highway of refuse wherever it had accumulated near the dump. The report was accepted and the recommendations ordered carried out.

In a special report, the lighting committee recommended the location of two 40 c. p. lights on Camp street and one of the same power on Hill street. The report and recommendations received favorable action. A report from the boiler inspectors referred to the satisfactory condition of the steam roller and the fairly good condition of the stone crusher. It was accepted. Alderman Calder reported the prevalence of surface water nuisance off Beckley street and a complaint was referred to the committee on the whole.

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