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Local Postscript.

THE TACOMA BANK ROBBERY.

HOW ALBERTSON AND CHANDLER MANAGED IT.

A Story of a Most Daring and Carefully Planned Crime.—How Chandler, a Brattleboro Boy Negotiated with the Bank Officials.—Plan to Escape to Mexico.

The Fidelity trust company, one of the best known and strongest banking institutions of Tacoma, Wash., was, it will be remembered, robbed last August by its secretary, Edward Albertson, of $920,000 in securities and money. The news of the theft and the subsequent capture of Albertson and his accomplices has been published in piece meal, but he complete story as brought out at the trial hows that the theft was planned with remarkable cunning and executed with asounding boldness. The story too—which by he way is told by a Seattle correspondent of he New York Sun—has additional interest n this locality from the fact that Fred N. Chandler, Albertson's principal accomplice, vas formerly a resident of and well known n Brattleboro. Here is the story of the lot, which was most cleverly laid:—

"June 18, 2 months before the robbery was ommitted,Fred N. Chandler walked into the ffice of Preston,Albertson & Donworth,prom-nent lawyers of Seattle, Wash., and inuired for R. B. Albertson. This Mr. Albert-on is a cousin of Edward, and, while they ere intimate as boys, in later years they had een comparatively little of each other. handler was unknown to R. B. Albertson. hen the two men were closeted, Chandler ho gave the assumed name of Ross, said: "I ve come in behalf of a common friend, hose name I cannot tell you. For some time has been the trusted employe of a large mpany, but he got behind in his accounts d became so involved that he could not ake himself square. How all this happened es not matter now. Well, to make a long ory short, our friend has been taking from ne to time amounts from the funds af the mpany aggregating in all about $15,000. w in order to protect himself our friend s also taken from the safe of the company urities worth about $100,000 and has anged the combination in the lock of the fe. The president of the company gave our end full control, so that this could easily done. If these securities are not returned d the safe opened, the institution will be ecked. Of course the company is anxious have the matter hushed up and is ready to mpromise." Lawyer Albertson at once pposed that some Seattle bank was involv- and that one of the many bank clerks he ew was the criminal. When Albertson estioned Chandler the latter replied: "I nnot tell the name of the man, but he is a end of yours, for he knows of the days en you piled lumber in a saw-mill here. en you were a reporter on the Chronicle, en you were studying law. Here is the t of agreement that our friend wishes to e put in legal form,"and Chandler showed ertson a rough draft in ink of a guaranty immunity from prosecution in case certain urities, for which blanks were left, were urned and the combination of the safe re-aled. Blanks were also left for the names the parties to the transaction. Albertson lained that such an agreement would e no legal force, but Chandler declared t the company could be trusted to live up t. Albertson had strong doubts as to ether he had better draw the agreement, be consulted George Hyde Preston, his tner, who advised him to have nothing to with it. Then Albertson reflected that he ht to stand by his friends, and that were agreement not drawn a Seattle bank ht go to the wall, many innocent people ruined, and much harm be done the comnity. So, acting by impulse rather than udgment, he consented to draw up the er, and told Chandler to call for it the t day. As Chandler went out of the of- he said: "Another man has tried to help ur friend, and has also become involved; so may draw up the agreement to protect parties."

When Chandler had gone Lawyer Albert-[illegible] the form in blank to the stenographer, and had it done in typewriter, with the notarial acknowledgement. "County of King, state of Washington"—the county in which Seattle is situated. Tacoma is in Pierce county. The next day Chandler returned, and, still giving the name of Ross, took the blank agreement and insisted upon paying $10 for it. Nothing more was heard of the matter for weeks, and Albertson supposed that the affair had been settled and hushed up. The next thing was the robbery at Tacoma. On the night of Sunday, August 23,word was telephoned to the American district telegraph at Tacoma, that a man in room 86 at the Fife hotel wished to be called at 4:15 Monday morning. Willie Williams, a night messenger, was sent to make the call, but when he was near the hotel he met a man who asked, "Are you going to call 86 at the Fife?" "Yes." "Well, I am the man, so you needn't bother about that. Here is 50 cents. I want you to hire a gurney and take this package to Mr. Wallace at 10 Pacific avenue..' At 5 o'clock that morning T. B. Wallace, president of the Fidelity trust company, was awakened by a ringing at his door-bell. He slipped on his clothes and went to the door, where a messenger handed him a large envelope addressed to him in the handwriting of Edward Albertson, the bank's secretary. Within, on the paper of the company. under date of August 22, was the following astonishing letter:—

T. B. Wallace, President:—

Dear Sir: I am short in my accounts $11,750 being an aggregate of sums squandered by me at different times since one year ago this month in speculation, and I haven't a dollar left. Realizing the impossibility of ever replacing it, and being in constant dread of detection, I have become desperate, taken enough more to make it $200,000 and left. The amount of securities taken from the safe in addition to this cash, is over $900,000, which includes all the company's notes, collateral and land company contracts. In addition to this I have changed all the combinations, after locking up all the bank books in the steel vault.

If you will sign the three papers—triplicate—herewith in the presence of two witnesses, have the same duly acknowledged,and deliver all three to Fred N. Chandler at Brown's Point on or before 9 o'clock Monday morning (see directions below how to meet him),he will deliver to you all the above securities, etc., valued at $900,000, and a key to the safe doors, so that you can commence business at the usual hour; except my personal notes, $4000, which I have destroyed, but the collateral, 40 shares of stock, you will get.

If you will meet Chandler with the papers duly executed, you will find the company's seal in a drawer at end of Denmar desk—any time between 6 and 9 o'clock on Monday morning you will get all the above as stated and be ready for business—the loser of but $20,000. Refuse to execute and deliver these papers by the hour named, and all the papers and securities—valued at over $900,000, none of which, except the company's notes, has the company any record of—will be burned by fire, and it will cost you $8000 to $10,000 to open and replace vault and safe doors and four to six months time in which to do it—and you yourself well know at the lowest estimate it will cost you not less than from $100,000 to $200,000 of the above, besides the trouble to get the balance—and besides this loss in actual money, just imagine the loss to the company through loss of confidence of the public and the absolute suspension of business for at least a month.

To sum up, accept the conditions and lose $20,000, which the people need not know; reject them and lose—make your estimate out of the $900,000, and be compelled to absolutely suspend business. You cannot pay any checks as you have no balance books to go by and you dare not draw on New York and San Francisco, for both accounts are wrong. I have made a memorandum and left it in the safe of just how the shortage lies.

Respectfully. E. ALBERTSON.

The envelope also contained the duplicate of the agreement to refrain from prosecution,and the following instructions to President Wallace:—

Get a row-boat and one man to row for you (if you want him) over to Brown's point. Before rounding the point, and about 40 rods this side, you will see a pole sticking in the bluff (near the top) and a white handkerchief attached to it. At this place, between the hours of 6 and 9 o'clock Monday morning August 24, land your boat and leave your oarsman in it. You will at once see Chandler, who will direct you how to reach him. When there hand him the three papers, and if duly signed, witnessed and acknowledged, he will place in your hands the articles mentioned in the agreement, when you will at once sign receipt for them.

Any attempt to intimidate or parley with Chandler will be of no avail, and will only result to your disadvantage, and if you come with more than one man or have any boat to follow or precede you, or should you fail to be there by 9 o'clock sharp, Chandler will be gone, and all the books and papers will be destroyed by fire. Your only hope of recovering those papers, valuables, etc., will be for you to carry out these instructions to a letter.

Mr. Wallace was dumbfounded. In four hours it would be time to open the bank, but all the books were locked up in the safe and the combination changed. But even were the safe open the bank could not do business, for there was no money in the vault and all the securities were missing. There was but one thing to do and that was to compromise with Albertson and Chandler. Wallace sent for Judge L. D. Campbell, the company's attorney, and after a short consultation the two went to E. D. Powell, a notary, and the agreement was signed in triplicate. Wallace then hired a skiff and a boatman to take him to Brown's point. Tacoma lies on Commencement bay, one of the arms of the sound. Two miles or so across is Brown's point, but the distance around by land is three or four miles. The point is part of the Puyallup Indian reservation and is thickly wooded. When Wallace came near the bank they saw Chandler standing on a bluff about 50 feet above the water. At his direction Wallace took the winding path up the hill. As the bank president came near the top Chandler shouted: "Are you Wallace?" "I am." "Have you the papers?" "Yes." "Then follow me," and the thief led the way to a point about a quarter of mile in the woods. Here he left Wallace and soon returned with a package done up in brown paper. Wallace opened it and found $300,000 in Tacoma land company contracts, notes amounting to $240,000, $75,000 in stock certificates, and a lot of other securities. Chandler delivered them up, received the signed agreement, and after expressing regret at what had occurred, disappeared in the forest, while Wallace took the boat back to the city.

The matter might have been ended there but for the Fidelity and Casualty company of New York, which had gone on Albertson's bond for $10,000. He had already secured himself against the bank, and he took the only step possible to prevent action by his bondsman in sending the bond company the following letter:—

Fidelity Trust Company, TACOMA,
Aug. 22, '91.

Mr. E. Fermor Ball, G—S, New York.

Dear Sir: There is a dispute of some $20,000 which the company has lost,and they will try to recover $10,000 of it under the bond which was issued to them guaranteeing my fidelity, &c., 51,084. To save you the money and at the same time to lessen chances of my being prosecuted, I herewith return to you the bond and renewel, neither of which have been out of my possession.

Their records do not show that they paid this, so all you will have to do is to refuse payment, else deny existence; or else declare same has been cancelled several months. You know your business. If you want to get out of this you know what to do.

Yours truly, E. ALBERTSON.

I have written to Palmer & Son that papers are received and shall have attention. I wish you to write to R. B. Albertson, attorney-at-law, at Seattle, Wash., and advise him of your action on the within. He may be able to advise you in the matter. Whatever you write him will be strictly confidential.

Mr. Ball, however, was too honest to fall into this cunningly laid trap, and in behalf of the Fidelity and Casuality company set detectives on the track of the robbers. Public interest was not much roused over the matter, because the loss of the bank was announced as $9000.

The detective secured, as they thought enough evidence to warrant the arrest of Cohoon, Albertson's brother-in-law, and also the innocent cousin, R. B. Albertson of Seattle. The detectives, however, planned to get hold of the men, and, without a public arrest try to extort information out of them by threats. Cohoon was enticed into a room on the top floor of the Fife hotel at Tacoma and kept there a prisoner for five days. The detectives said they would let his family know of his whereabouts, but this promise was not carried out. For some reason best known to himself Cohoon submitted to this imprisonment without process of law. The same plan was tried with R. B. Albertson, but in his case a warrant was served in Seattle September 10, while he was walking on the street. An officer and two private detectives tried to get him to go into a carriage. He refused unless they would go into his office, where he could make arrangements for procuring bond. The detectives, M. C. Sullivan and McKay, consented. R. B. Albertson and W. E. Bailey, a friend who was with him, stepped in. Then the detectives drew the curtains, and ordered the driver to take the road to Tacoma. Albertson had no reason for submission and so he and Bailey fought like tigers until the detectives gave up the idea of kidnaping them and extorting information. The carriage, accordingly, stopped eight miles below Seattle at a railroad station to wait for the train to Tacoma. The abduction caused tremendous excitement in Seattle, not only on account of Albertson's prominence, but because Bailey, who was taken with him, is a millionaire, a newspaper proprietor, and a banker—one of the leading men of the state.

The thief, Edward Elbertson, and his accomplice, Chandler, were caught down in western Oregan, near Coos Bay, September 16. After leaving Brown's point in Tacoma on the morning of August 24, they took a train for Portland, and then made off for the woods. Their plan was to reach the coast, buy a small steamer, put to sea and cruise down the coast to Mexico. They tramped through th eforest and at one place encountered a bear which Chandler shot. The officers got on their trail and located them by means of a handkerchief Albertson had carelessly left at the point he slept the night before the capture. The two fugitives were surrounded by the officers, who ordered them to throw up their hands. Albertson tried to draw his revolver, and was shot, but not seriously wounded. When captured, they declared that they alone were concerned in the theft. Albertson had over $10,000 on his person. This in outline is the story of a robbery whose details would fill a volume.

LOCAL ADDENDA.

Late Brattleboro News and Gossip.

—Just 399 years ago Monday Christopher Columbus set foot in the new world.

—W. H. & F. M. Partch have purchased the hotel and Lanesboro stock farm in New Haven.

—D. L. Griggs has too little room and offers to sell at cost a few new vehicles to make room. See Adv., in another column.

—D. L. Griggs' mother, age 85, came from Illinois alone last week to visit her son. Few people of that age make as long trips unattended.

—The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U., will be held next Tuesday, Oct. 20th, at No. 4 Williston street. A very interesting meeting is expected. Per Sec. W. C. T. U.

—Apple trees are shaking out sprays of blossoms, in many places, as flourishing and fragrant as in their own particular season. Children also bring in an,occasional dandelion and strawberry blossom.

—The 17th annual gathering of the state Woman's Christian Temperance union closed at St. Johnsbury Friday night, with an address by Mrs. Josephine R. Nichols, superintendent of the world's and the national Woman's Christian Temperance unions. These officers were elected: President, Mrs. Esther L. Housh of Brattleboro; secretary, Mrs. Gratia E. Davidson of Newfane; treasuret, Mrs. Martha Richmond of Northfield.

—Rev. John P. Jones of Madura, India,one of the ablest men in the foreign missionary work of the Congregational churches, will preach at the Centre church next Sunday morning. Rev. John H. Hincks, formerly of Montpelier, now Dean of Atlanta University, Atlanta, Ga., will preach in the evening at 7 o'clock, upon the work of the university in solving the southern problem. All interested in Christian effort, at home or abroad, will have an opportunity of hearing two very efficient workers on these lines.

—Edward R. Hall, son of Capt. C. P. Hall, formerly of this place, took a prominent part in the field day sports of the Dartmouth Athletic association Friday and Saturday. He and his classmate Potter broke the only record that was broken, running bases in 15 2-5 seconds. This was a little better than the record that they made jointly last year. Hall was second in the 100 yard dash, where the time was 12 1-5 seconds, and third in the standing broad jump where he made nine feet and five inches. He won one heat in the 220 yard dash, and he and Weeks of '92 were second in the knapsack race.

—Frank Turner has gone to Springfield, Mass., to take the position of manager of the American (formerly the Pynchon) house, a position which he will fill courteously and efficiently. Next week, however, he will make a happy excursion up here.

—The meeting of the Professional Club at Brooks House, at 6.30 next Monday evening. Business taken up promptly at 6.45, paper, by Hon. Dorman B. Eaton, begins at 7 o'clock sharp. Supper will follow the paper, and discussion will follow the supper.

—Services in St. Michaels (Episcopal) Church:—Sunday, 21st. after Trinity, and Festival of St. Luke, 8 a. m., Holy Communion; 10.30 a m., Morning Prayer, Litany and Sermon; 7 p. m., Evening Prayer and Address. The rector will officiate in Christ Church Guilford in the afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

—A full and correct list of the papers to be read before the Professional club the coming season is: October, Hon. D. B. Eaton, "A second Term; a temptation to Presidents and a Peril to the Country"; November, Judge J. M. Tyler, "Vermont's undeveloped resources"; December, Geo. A. Hines, "The origin, development and decline of Folk lore"; January, Dr. James Conland, "Surnames"; February, Hon. J. L. Martin, "Taxation"; March, Rev. A. H. Webb, "Our Age, our Country and our Duty"; April, Col. L. K. Fuller, "Vermont in a Century of Invention"; May, Dr. Wm. B. Clark of Johns Hopkins University, (Ladies' night), (probably). "The Geology and topography of Windham County."

—The village Tuesday accepted and paid for the fire alarm, the 4 1-2 per cent. bonds having been disposed of for that purpose through Mr. Dowley. The system is to have a daily and a weekly trial to insure its being constantly in good condition. Every noon by touching a button at the Estey shops, the whistle will be blown and the Baptist church bell will strike "one." Every Saturday at 5 o'clock, an alarm box will be pulled somewhere in the village, alternating with the different stations. The bailiffs will soon issue cards of instruction about the alarm. The Gamewell Co., is to send a sample of what has been got out by each town using the system, so that Brattleboro may have the best. Cards are also to be placed on the posts, under each alarm box, explaining the use of the alarm.

—Dr. Geo. P. Beard gives a couple columns of his Farmers' Advocate at St. Albans, to an account of the Brattleboro fair, with the rare excellence of its exhibits, the absence of mediocrity all around— the "best and biggest of everything was there" he says— and he gives some account of the heavy cattle, the herds of thoroughbreds, the wonderful show of vegetables, the high blooded horses and stock of all kinds, the beautiful parade, etc. Then he says:

> The future fair must be pitched to a high keynote to be worthy its predecessors. * There is a field for more local fairs that may succeed grandly by taking lessons from the managers of the Brattleboro Fair. * * At the bottom of prosperity of these successful fairs is undoubtedly the leadership of one or more competent managers, and a local favorable public sentiment that unites and harmonizes the efforts of the people, and furnishes an atmosphere in which the young life of a fair is nurtured and strengthened up to maturity. Anyhow, in the last analysis of this particular fair these factors are found. The orignator and manager of this fair is a man of rare gifts for just such a mission. As President of the State Fair, the Horse Breeder's Association and this fair he has acheived magnificent success. He puts thought, time, work, business methods and enthusiastic personal influence into every department of management. He is supported by everybody because he is the acknowledged leader to success. The same or like leadership and loyallty would plant a flourishing fair in many other sections of our state.

—At the convention of the Daughters of Rebekah at Burlington, in addition to what was reported last week, Mrs. L. J. Retting was a member of the committee on nominations which reported these officers who were elected: Vice president, Mrs. L. Sulloway; secretary, Miss M. J. Ranney; treasurer, Mrs. E. E. Finney. The remaining officers were left to be appointed by the grand master of 1892. A special meeting of Antonio lodge was held in the evening at 7:30 o'clock with the usual officers in their respective chairs. After the opening exercises the noble grand requested the officers to surrender their chairs to the degree staff of Dennis lodge, No. 1 of Brattleboro composed of the following officers: Mrs. J. T. Hildreth, N.G.; Mrs. S. D. Brown, R. S. N. G.; Mrs. W. C. Spear, L. S. N. G.; Mrs. C. Spear, V. G.; Mrs. O. J. Willard, R. S. V. G.; Mrs. A. Hopkinson, L. S. V. G.; Mrs. A. Horton, warden; Mrs. A. H. Coombs, con.; Mrs. H. Mann, chaplain; Mrs. F. T. Hopkinson, and Miss Alice Veet, chaplain supporters; Mrs. W. C. Stone, P. N. G.; Miss Carrie Leach and Mrs. L. Plummer, P. G. N. supporters; Mrs. W. Keyes, and Mrs. F. S. Young, scene supporters; Mrs. C. F. Reed, inside guardian; S. D. Brown, Mrs. L. J. Retting, A. H. Coombs, Miss Izetta Stewart, pianist, L. J. Retting, J. T. Hildreth, C. F. Reed, assistant. They exemplified the degree in the beautified form upon two candidates.

—It is frequently remarked that we are not having the usual brilliant foliage this autumn that is the glory of New England. The question is often asked, why are the leaves of the trees turning brown, rather than red and yellow as in other years? The answer is made, quite generally, that this is due to the absence of frost. An eminent botanist gives another explanation and says: "The green matter in the tissue of a leaf is composed of two colors, red and blue. When the sap ceases to flow in the autumn, and the natural growth of the tree ceases oxidation of the tissue takes place. Under certain conditions the green of the leaf changes to red; under different conditions it takes on a yellow or brown tint. The difference in color is due to the difference in combination of the original constituents of the green tissue, and to the varying conditions of climate, exposure and soil. A dry, cold climate produces more brilliant foliage than one that is damp and warm. This is the reason that our American autumns are so much more gorgeous than those of England. There are several things about leaves that even science cannot explain. For instance, why one of two trees growing side by side, of the same age and having the same exposure, should take on a brilliant red in the fall and the other should turn yellow; or, why one branch of a tree should be highly colored and the rest of the tree have only a yellow tint, are questions that are as impossible to answer as why one member of a family should be perfectly healthy and another sickly. The color is not as good this fall as usual. The maples and oaks generally have the brightest colors.—[Rev. W. W. Foster of No. Adams.

—Rev. T. W. Illman writes from Concord, N. H., cordially and earnestly in approval of the project for a hospital which Rev. C. O. Day has so often and vigorously urged upon Brattleboro. Mr. Illman speaks from practical observation of the hospital at Concord, whose annual report he forwards with papers describing the new building, the gift of Hon. G. A. Pillsbury, the Minneapolis flour man, and showing what a large place it fills in Concord and what a hold it has upon her citizens. Not only are there free beds, but the institution is practically free to all who need it, certainly for the people of Concord. Mr. Illman says: "It is supported by all the people, the churches, irrespective of name, doing much for it, and people outside of the churches, joining in the good work. We think it a success. We were proud of it before Mr. Pillsbury gave the new building; we shall probably be more proud of it now. I suppose you are agitating your soul with the question whether or not a hospital can be started in Brattleboro. If one could be brought into existence here in Concord, it can there. The social atmosphere of the two places is not greatly different. We have the same high grade people that you have, who conceive liberal things in the way of education and benevolence, and execute them liberally. There is a great deal of local pride here, as there is and ought to be in your beautiful town, and local pride is one of the healthiest forms of pride. There is certainly wealth enough among Brattleboro people, and surely they are abreast with the times enough to be responsive to the most pronounced sentiment of the age, the sentiment which demands that he who can, shall, to even preserve the respect of his fellowmen, do something for their good, yes, shall do according to what he has. If, with intelligent and earnest presentation of the matter, such as I feel sure you and others associated with you, will give it, a hospital cannot be established in Brattleboro, I shall sorrowfully confess that its people are not the people I thought them to be. With the very best of wishes for you in your church work and in this new idea, which I am sure grows out of the spirit of Christianity, as it appeals to your heart, I am,

Truly yours,
THOS. W. ILLMAN.

Good and Reliable.

A good and reliable family medicine is Sulphur Bitters. Every Spring for six years I have been troubled with boils. Since I began using Sulphur Bitters, I have not had a single one. You can rely on Sulphur Bitters every time.—[Editor Weekly Press.—adv.

VICINITY NEWS.

FRANKLIN COUNTY, MASS.

Greenfield.—Charles Cohn, the Main-street clothier who has been dangerously ill with meningitis, is thought to be recovering.

Rev N Newton Glazier, pastor of the First Baptist church, has sufficiently recovered from a surgical operation to attend to all his pastoral duties.

Eugene Morey, formerly foreman of the press room at the Good Cheer works, is now superintendent of streets in Kearney, Neb, and looks after Henry D Watson's real estate interests during his absence.

Slate & DeWolf, who are the pioneer apple buyers of the county, will ship 600 barrels of Baldwins this week for South American exportation.

Boston brokers in endowment order certificates are offering $80 for matured certificates in the order of the Rising Sun, the first lodge of which is located in Greenfield. According to the original agreement the members should have been paid off September 20.

Ex-County Commissioner Barton has sold his farm near Bernardston to Manley Carpenter of Leyden for $2000. Mr Barton owns about the only tannery in Franklin county out of the 100 or more once located there.

The Democratic Nominees.

The Franklin county Democrats held their senatorial and county conventions at Greenfield Monday, and the nominations were all made without friction or opposition. Freeman C. Griswold of Greenfield was chosen moderator of the senatorial convention, 14 towns being represented by 27 delegates. Dr. Rollin C. Ward was nominated by acclamation as candidate for senator and James S. Grinnell was chosen a member of the state committee. Freeman C. Griswold presided over the county convention and P. D. Martin of South Deerfield was secretary. It was decided to pass over the nomination of clerk of courts and these candidates were quickly nominated: County commissioner, Henri Kilburn of Orange; county treasurer, David Hunter of Greenfield; register of deeds, Parker D. Martin of South Deerfield. Mr. Grinnell offered a motion, which passed, that the county treasurer's office ought to be in the court house.

Frank C Frizzell of Greenfield, is the champion coon hunter of that region. His record last week is sixteen in three nights, and in one night he got nine; fine fat ones they were two weighing upwards of 34 pounds.

Preston Baker of Charlemont, has the largest mill in the county for grinding grain. It is superbly fitted and one is surprised to find in a little hill town so fine a property. The entire plant probably cost little less than $25,000. The stream of water that furnishes the power has 130 feet head and comes down from the hills in a cast iron pipe, propelling a water wheel that came from far-off California. Mr Baker grinds for some of the heaviest shippers in this vicinity because his power is cheaper than steam. His mill has a capacity of five carloads every 24 hours.

Mr Cook of Blackinton has bought Edward Witherell's place in Warwick.—Mrs Russell B Bates, while visiting in Athol last week, had a shock by which her left side and arm were paralyzed. She was taken home Sunday.—A E Blackmer and Mr Armstrong have moved to Orange.—The Spiritualists are holding meetings in Brush Valley.

CHESHIRE COUNTY, N. H.

Hinsdale.—There was a lively smash-up on Canal street Friday evening. A young man in a sulky driving rapidly collided with G A Robertson's road carriage containing young women and a driver; the occupants of the wagon were spilled out, the sulky was smashed and John Corcery, an aged man who was passing on the sidewalk was knocked down by a horse and received bruises. Fortunately no one was seriously hurt.—W Jackson Leonard sailed from New York the 3d on the steamer Veendam en route for Paris, where he will pursue his art studies for a year.—L F Liscom, a representative of the last legislature, makes a vigorous protest over his own signature respecting the highways in the north part of the town.

Chesterfield.—Mr and Mrs Ware have left their cottage at Spofford lake and are at their home at the Centre for the winter, the last we believe to leave their summer home.—John Robbins of Keene, is beating out grain for the farmers at a great rate with his horse power.—B C Thatcher made a business trip to the Hub recently.—Apples are more plentiful than was expected especially winter varieties.—Messrs Thatcher, Cobb, Butler and Gilson were among the guests of C L Kingsbury of Keene, at his clam bake at Spofford lake, and report a fine time.—Over 60 invitation were given and most of them present.—The rumor in regard to H C Harvey's horse being over driven proves unfounded, as it died of kidney disease from which it had suffered at intervals for a long time. Mr Harvey has owned the horse (mustang) for five years and it is stated to be the longest time that any of its class have lived in this climate. It was a pet of the children driven principally by them and had been out of town but a few times since he bought it, and had not been used at all for several weeks.—Alonzo Ingram has been on the Keene stage for two weeks while Mr Jaffrey takes a rest. Some would like to have "Lon" continue on the box if Mr Jaffrey concludes to sell the route, as he was a prime favorite when on this route.—W H Ware shows 12 ears of corn in one cluster the smallest about four inches in length. Can any one show a better yield from a single stalk? The frost on Monday morning was the first to leave any trace. Many flowers are yet in bloom.

Struck by a Train.

Charles W. Leonard of Westmoreland was struck by a train while crossing the railroad track with a team at Orange, Mass. Wednesday afternoon. He lived but a few hours. He was 40 years old and married. The horse was also killed.

Prisoners Try to Escape.

Seventeen prisoners in Keene jail nearly escaped Monday night by breaking a window casing and digging away a brick way. They were discovered by the sound made by hitting a steam pipe. A 15-pound window weight was found wrapped in flannel with which to break down more brickwork.

WINDSOR COUNTY.

Cavendish.—Miss Jennie Spafford is visiting in Boston and vicinity.—A horse belonging to Wm Rich got loose in the stable one day recently and ate green fodder causing colic.—Depot street bridge has been partly newly planked.—Arthur Smith has returned to his home in Tunbridge.—The factory can now be run by either water or steam.

North Pomfret.—Mrs Harry Wakefield and two children visited in town last week.—Henry Ware returned to Williston this week.—H W Colburn and wife are at Woodstock.—Mrs Fred Dorton and Miss Mary Barber spent a few days in So Royalton recently.—Dr Thacher and family return to Florida next week.—Abbie Perkins starts for Illinois this week to spend the winter.—J C Sherburne is under the care of Dr Sherwin.—Dr Dana and family start for San Diego, Cal. this week.—John and Bert Dana visited relations in town the first of this week.—Mrs Vail is entertaining company from Montpelier.

Springfield.—Miss Alice M Spillane of Newport, N H, is spending a three weeks' vacation at her home here.—Miss Ida Gilman has completed a fine crayon portrait for Dr F D Worcester of his daughter Jesse, who died a short time ago.—The first annual hunt of the Springfield Gun club was a great success.—A Hulett has been a victim of rheumatism for the past two weeks.

Weston.—The marriage of Melvin J Austin and Miss C Elsie Blodgett took place last Thursday evening, Oct 8, at the Baptist parsonage, by Rev H C Searles.—Joseph H Rugg of Bridgeport, Conn, is visiting friends here.—Jim Parkhurst has bought the stage route from Weston to Chester.

Felchville.—Mrs E K Hewlett is quite ill at this writing.—Hazel S Gardner fell from a chair and broke her collar bone last Thursday.—R J Hoadly tripped and fell in his woodshed one day last week causing a fracture to one of his ribs. He is slowly improving.—Dr and Mrs Allen of Randolph, Mass., who have been the guests of Mr and Mrs Conant for the past few days, left last week for Hanover, N H, and Brattleboro to continue their visit.—Mrs Hank White intends going to Boston, soon probably the last of this month.—Mrs Cole and Mrs C S Holden visited in Andover and Chester last week.—Mrs F B Merrill and son of Woodstock visited friends and relatives in town last week.—Mrs B M Newton has a sister from Brooklyn visiting her.

Gaysville.—J. E. Spafford is in Boston this week making sales of lumber.

Dr. F. E. Steele has bought a mate to his horse, and can now drive amatched span.—Linus Edmunds has moved back to Notown. John Sutton picked ripe strawberries Oct. 9. Will Packard's youngest child is very sick.—Mrs. S. P. Brown is in Boston this week, selecting her millinery goods.

John Q. Adams moves to Woodstock this week, and John E. Adams to East Barnard.—An egg laid by one of L. B. Morey's hens, recently measured 6 1-4 by 8 inches in circumfrence.

Weathersfield.—The granite business in this town promises to be of large proportions. A large sale of real estate and personal property will be the auctioning of the four farms, a lot of stock, farming tools and household furniture, belonging to the estate of the late H P Tolles.

Ludlow.—N G Hammond bought the Ludlow Congregational house on Main street for $1300.—W W Adams and M J Regan of this place have bought Adams' livery business at Proctorsville.—Several parties have lost cattle from their pastures recently and D C Sheldon found among the hides at Regan's market one that came off from a steer that he had lost. Regan bought the steer of Warren Potter of Plymouth. States Attorney Stickney had Potter arrested and later Clark Spaulding of Plymouth and Frank T Burbee of Weston and a hearing was had before Justice Hathorn, Potter and Spaulding were released and Burbee was placed under $400 bonds.

West Hartford.—Royal Stetson and wife of St Albans, are visiting his parents.—W H Tucker, jr. is building a new steam mill. The boiler room is already up.—Several have been quite sick the last few weeks. Some are better. Mrs Levi Hazen and Bert Alger are quite low at present.—Frank Wheeler and wife, proprietor of the hotel, go to Massachusetts for a visit this week.—The church is receiving a new coat of paint.—Lucy A Stetson goes to work at the hotel while Mr and Mrs Wheeler visit in Massachusetts.—Jack Frost made his first visit Monday morning—10° below.—Mr and Mrs E and E E Leonard of Proctor, visited at Norwich, and the Worden place while here.

West Windsor.—A number of farms are being bought in town by parties from New York. Real estate seems to be in big demand in town since the granite works opened—Mr Bigsly has sold his large farm known as the M Lincoln farm, to parties from New York.—G Keath has moved from Woodstock into Melvin Banister's house.—E Sawin is home from Springfield.—Some sneak thief took about 75 chickens of the Blood brothers a short time ago, a big catch for one night's work.—Much sickness prevails in town. Dr Shurtleff has been called here several times by telephone in the past two weeks from Proctorsville.—The hardest frost with quite a freeze came Sunday night, freezing the apples on the trees some. As yet there has been but a few picked.—W I Kendall and wife, Foster Ayers and wife visited at Dr. Shurtleff's at Proctorsville last Saturday.—Henry Farbush and father of Brooklyn, N Y, are in town on a visit.—James Blood and wife are on a visit to their parents. Mr Blood went to Walpole, Mass, about two years ago where he is in the grain and feed business. He is a promising young man and we wish him success as he is a West Windsor boy.—Husking parties seem to be all the rage. A large one held at the Blood brother's last Friday evening which wound up with a fine oyster supper and dance, was a success every way.

Woodstock.—The old Gallup house, which has been an eyesore to villagers and visitors alike all summer, standing directly in front of the new hotel, has at last begun its travels, under the conductorship of Geo W Perry, and will take up its station on High street extension. Messrs Pinney & Daniels will make it over into a comfortable tenement house. They have already put up two cottages on High street from material taken from the old hotel. The enterprise of these gentlemen fills a long felt want, as tenements have been scarce here lately.—The Woodstock Inn is progressing slowly and will probably not be finished before spring. The directors of the company do not propose to open the inn to the public until the right man is engaged as landlord.—The town hall has just received a much needed coat of paint and fresco and will no longer be a disgrace to the village. The work has been done under the direction of E P Tewksbury and the result is fine. The woodwork is cherry color. Now let us have the old scenery on the stage touched up and we will try and be satisfied.—C P Swain, who has been employed in the express office here during the past summer, has received the appointment of agent, in place of John Cone, deceased. Mr Swain has given general satisfaction during the time he has done the work of the office and all are glad of his appointment. Joe Kennefick will assist him in the office and have charge of the telegraph office.—Postmaster Chapman has completed his examination of the 50 post offices in this county, and is much pleased with his experience. He has driven 334 miles, some days making from 75 to 80 miles in a day. The most satisfactory part of the business is that the postmaster general has kindly allowed him to pay his own expenses.

Another Old Landmark Gone.

In the death of John Cone, which occurred here Thursday morning the 8th inst, Woodstock loses another of its old landmarks and the United States and Canada division of the American express company one of its oldest and most faithful agents. John Cone began his career as a stage driver nearly 50 years ago when about 20 years old on the road from Hanover to Woodstock. He hadn't a dollar in the world and it is said the veteran driver Wilson Parker gave him an old fur coat and pair of gloves for an outfit. He continued on the route until after the completion of the northern railroad to West Lebanon when he drove some time for and afterward formed a partnership with Wm S Carter of Quechee, and drove for several years from Woodstock to White River Junction. After the building of the Vermont Central road the route was changed to Woodstock Station just above White River village and on this route Carter & Cone and afterwards Cone & Perry run stages and freight until the completion of the Woodstock railroad in 1875. Mr Cone continued the express business, running as messenger on the train until the spring of 1882, since which time he has been confined to his room and for some time to his bed by locomotor ataxia, a form of paralysis resulting finally in the loss of the use of his lower limbs. He held the office of express agent to the day of his death always employing efficient men to perform the duties of the office and the train work. He was a valued employe of the U S & C and afterward of the American company and although his enemies tried several times to secure his removal they could never show the smallest item where he had been dishonest or unfaithful. His funeral was held Saturday at 1 p m. A special train brought relatives and a number of his old associates in the express business, among the latter were, Geo H Babbitt, Jr., of Bellows Falls, Supt. N E Division Am. Express company; E M Grover of Boston, C G Williams of Essex Junction, W E Huntoon of White River Junction, H W Drew of Montpelier, A S Farwell of Wells River and D D Davis formerly employed in the express office here, but now route agent under Mr Babbitt. The remains were taken to White River village for interment. His estate is valued at from $100,000 to $115,000 and except a few small bequests will be divided among his relatives according to law.

Windsor.—A large flock of wild geese passed over here recently.—A literary club has been formed by members of the grammer school.—A good deal of sneak theiving has been done this fall by which owners of melon patches, fruit trees and graperies have suffered severely.—Postmaster Chapman of Woodstock, was in town last week to inspect the local post office.—The drama, "Fanny Allen, or the first American Nun," was presented Thursday evening by the Catholic society. The drama was well presented.—Malcom H Pollard of Nehawka, Neb., visited in this vicinity last week after an absence of five years.—J H Kinlry has gone to Chicago—Mrs Henry Wardner and family have closed their summer residence and returned to Springfield for the winter.—Allan Wardner has entered Harvard university at Cambridge.—Clarence Barrett has leased the Steele place north of the village.

Proctorsville.—Adams & Regan of Ludlow, have bought and taken possession of Frank Adams' livery business.—Jerry Sheehan has gone into insolvency and his grocery store is therefore closed.—The "Y's" gave a fan drill Friday evening.—There are several mild cases of diphtheria in town.—The addition to the factory of Taft, Burbank & Murdock is practically completed and machinery is being put in.—Allen Fletcher and family have returned to their home in Indianapolis, Ind.

BENNINGTON COUNTY.

Stamford.—Walter Bratton is attending college at Williamstown.—Job Stafford of Bennington, over 80 years of age has been visiting his brother here.—Miss Ethel Bratton is assisting her sister Cora to teach the evening school in Briggsville.—Mrs Burgess Jewell has returned to her home in Whitingham after a two weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs S M Harris.

NEW HAMPSHIRE.

It has leaked out that Murderer Almy's wounded leg was broken during his trip to Woodsville for arraignment. The leg, which was enclosed in a plaster cast and splints, was examined when Almy was taken to the train and found to be all right. The following day he complained of considerable pain and on investigation the plaster and leg were found to be broken. It is not known how the accident occurred.

Joseph Robuge, a four-year-old French child of Manchester, died Monday from the effects of maltreatment by other boys. He tried to follow them and, as they did not want his company, they put him head first into a hole and filled it up with sand. He was alive when rescued, but soon died.

MASSACHUSETTS NEWS.

MURDER WILL OUT.

Carefully Concealed Butchery Revealed by a Dog.

Full particulars of the murder of Jonh Whalen by William Coy of Becket, Mass., were brought to light late yesterday afternoon by the finding of the victim's body, buried on a lonely mountain side an eighth of a mile from Coy's house, a dilapidated farm building a mile south of Washington depot. At this house, the night of the 29th of August, Coy crushed Whalen's skull while the latter was sleeping. Coy also cut his victim's throat, chopped off his legs, doubled them over the body, and, putting the body in a wagon, went up an old wood road on the mountain side. He carried the body 100 yards into the woods and buried it two feet underground, after which he carefully removed all traces of his work and returned home. Whalen's body was discovered by Selectman A. B. Pomeroy of Washington whose dog, attracted by the scent, began digging at the grave, finally pulling up a suspender. Whalen, whose home was in West Becket, worked on the railroad and boarded with Coy and wife. He became intimate with Mrs. Coy and in August the couple planned an elopement. Whalen collected $250 due him, packed his trunk with Mrs. Coy's clothes and his own and announced his intention of going to Michigan. Friday, August 28, Mrs. Coy left home, arranging to meet Whalen in Troy the following Monday, but her husband discovered the plan and murdered Whalen in his sleep. Coy is 35 years old and a native of Washington. He has been engaged in farm work, is of a low order of intelligence. When aarested he had Whalen's watch in his possession. He stolidly maintains his innocence, claiming that Whalen gave him the watch before going West.

Mrs. Grace Callahan of Woburn, met a violent death in her house Tuesday night, and the police say there is evidence of foul play. She was found lying dead on the floor, at the bottom of a flight of stairs. Her daughters said their mother had been taken with a fit and fell down stairs, and died two minutes later. But the police found the hall bespattered with blood and there was a great pool of it at the foot of the stairs. The woman's clothes were also saturated with blood. In a closet was found a pillow case stained with blood. It is known that there were four men in the house carousing and drinking.

The Searles will contest has undoubtedly been compromised, the adopted son Timothy, gets $8,000,000 to $10,000,0000, where he wanted $12,000,000.

A romantic affair occurred in Boston last week when Miss Kate E. Norcross on her death-bed wedded Lewis P. Rollins, a New York commercial traveler, in order to will to him her fortune of $100,000. They met several years ago at a seaside resort, and were engaged to marry this fall, but she was stricken with pneumonia and when sure that the end was nigh insisted on the marriage. The ceremony was performed at 3 o'clock in the morning and at 1:30 in the afternoon she was dead.

John Shea of Chicopee Falls, died at the Springfield hospital early Tuesday evening as a result of being shot by Marshal E. Slate a month ago and the assailant was arrested.

INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT.

Hardwick's Great Boom—Fine High Colored Granite at Chelsea—Tunbridge Moves for Manufactures—More Notes of the Demonstration that Vermont is the Place for Vermont Energy and Capital.

A party of Barre granite dealers and managers have visited the new granite quarries just being opened near Chelsea village, and state that they found an unlimited quantity of high colored fine grained granite, as good as any yet discovered in Barre. A railroad is being strongly agitated from Chelsea village through Tunbridge to South Royalton.

The Snowden Slate Company, a newly incorporated concern, has leased the Capt. Joseph Sheldon slate quarry at Fair Haven, and will soon be on the market with a superior grade of roofing plate.

A new company has leased the Christie Machine Shop and Foundry at Brandon, and will operate them in the manufacture of stone-cutting machinery.

The Willard Manufacturing Company of St. Albans reports a heavy business with necessity of increasing help.

The new plant of the Bristol Manufacturing Company is nearly ready for occupancy.

J. E. Smith & Co's bobbin shop at Montgomery is again in operation under the management of a Rhode Island party.

The woolen mills at Bridgewater are undergoing repairs.

A fire was started in the ledge west of Bristol Thursday and Friday samples of lime were shown and slaked, proving to be of good quality. Near the same place is a bed of sand and fine clay, just suited for brick making. It is understood that preparations for making brick will be begun at once, and that the limekiln will be fully developed. This will give work to several men, and ultimately may prove a big thing for the town.

The Woodbury granite company of Hardwick have the contract for furnishing 125 carloads of stone for the new court house in Worcester, Mass. It will cost $1600 to transport the stone from the quarry to the depot.

The St. Johnsbury board of trade is considering a proposition from a man in Maine engaged in the canning business to move his cannery to that town.

At a special town meeting in Tunbridge a motion to exempt all manufacturing industries that may be established there from taxation for a term of ten years was carried by a unanimous vote. As soon as the meeting was dissolved a party of capitalists started for Brocklebank hill and an offer of more than half a million capital has been made to the owners of the granite hill if a company is organized. Work upon the hills will begin this week

Thirty million dollars for the farm products of Vermont this fall is a showing that might excite the attention of even a western state. This has been the best year for the farmers of the Green Mountain state since the close of the war. The sugar, dairy, sheep and grain crops have all responded to improved methods, and there is a swing of prosperity in the air.—[Boston Journal.

W. H Fullerton, of Manchester, is enthusiastic about Hardwick granite which he is largely engaged in quarrying. "They talk about it being a second Barre, but we think it will be even more than that. We took an order last week for about 125 loads of stone to go into the new court house at Taunton, Mass. The building will have about one-third Hardwick granite and two thirds of the pink stone quarried at Fall River, Mass., by Beattie. We claim to be able to get out stone and freight it 100 miles cheaper than other localities can even quarry it, and to be able to break out bigger blocks than any other quarry in the world. That sounds rather large, perhaps, but I mean it. We got out last fall a block 14 feet square and 150 feet long without an imperfection of any kind, and the other day broke one measuring over 30 feet in every direction. We could get a perfect block 30 feet square and 300 feet long. There is one layer of perfect stone 30 feet thick which seems practically without end."

Lewis Jessee, a Frenchman, was shot and instantly killed in a drunken quarrel by Peter Bouley at Marlboro Sunday afternoon.

John A. Markham, a Holyoke hackman, was convicted in the superior court Friday of the charge of shooting his wife, with intent to kill Feb. 3, but he was recommended to mercy.

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