

IN WINDHAM COUNTY

BROOKLINE.

The spring term of school in district No. 1 began this week with G. B. Bush teacher.

May was ushered in with snow squalls and a high wind. The lack of rain to start grass and crops is much felt.

The churches of Townshend, Newfane, Jamaica, Williamsville and South Newfane were represented at the Sunday school association held here last week. The weather was all that could be desired, and a profitable and pleasant time was spent in discussing and listening to methods of work in our Bible schools.

EAST DOVER.

Farmers have begun their spring work. W. D. Howe has finished sowing out his logs.

Martin Johnson, a former resident, has returned to town.

G. D. Hale came from Brattleboro Monday to try his luck in trout catching. Jeffs Brothers moved their engine Wednesday to Brookline, where they have a contract to saw out a large amount of lumber for F. W. Knapp.

WEST DOVER.

Mrs. S. J. Johnson is ill.

M. S. Harris is at his son's for a short stay.

Miss Lela Cook is visiting in Brattleboro this week.

Augustus Fish, one of the town's respected citizens, is seriously ill.

H. C. Davis is making repairs on his house, which he will move into about May 12.

The schools in this part of the town began Monday. Miss Thompson of Massachusetts is teacher in the village school and Miss Dickinson of Williamsville in the Hande school.

Memrs. Shorlin of Jamaica and Holland of Townshend are appraising the goods in V. L. Adams's store, which Mr. Adams has sold to Harry Parson, who will take possession on once.

WEST DUNSTON.

Mr. Manning of Monson has returned to town to work in the quarry.

Frank Knapp of Putney visited his mother, Mrs. Harriet Knapp, recently.

George Field is recovering from a serious illness. His son, Dr. Fred Field of Sioux Falls, South Dakota, is with him.

HALIFAX.

The late Mrs. Harriet A. Willard.

Harriet A. wife of the late James Willard, entered into rest April 29 at the age of 74 years. Her parents were James and Lucinda (Wilcox) Stancil. She was from a family of seven children, two boys and three girls, being the last one. One brother, Isaac Stancil of Spencer, N. Y., lived until about two years ago. She was born in the house of her parents when she was but a child. She went to Marlboro and lived with her uncle and aunt, Solomon and Abigail Stancil, until her marriage to the late James Willard of Halifax and returned to her native town, where she spent the remainder of her life. Her husband died about seven years ago. She had seven children, six of whom survive; the oldest, a son, died at the age of ten years. Her life was one of constant toil as long as health permitted, and unselfish devotion to her family. She was a woman of many excellent traits of character, a Christian in the true sense. Hampered by disease and helplessness many of her last years, she was shut-in from the world, but bore it all with remarkable patience and Christian fortitude, never complaining, ever ready to go, but still waiting patiently the Divine will in which she fully trusted. Her absent children visited her as often as possible, which was a great comfort to her, her home being with her youngest daughter, Mrs. Hosea Fisher. At her request, Rev. C. S. Sherman of East Dover officiated at the funeral which was held from the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hosea Fisher April 23, at 1 p. m., she having selected the fourteenth chapter of John to be read, also Mark 2: 3 for the basis of the very appropriate remarks by the pastor. Her family spoke very feelingly, drawing some practical lessons from the life of the departed, showing that bodily helplessness was not the worst calamity. A quartet feelingly sang three selections of two of them, "Wait and murmur not" and "A Home on High," being her selection.

There were many flowers from loving ones, among them a beautiful pillow embroidered "Mother, from her children, who in her life have done what they could do for her comfort and to lighten her burden. Much sympathy is felt for them, especially Mrs. Fisher, who has been ill all winter.

Rev. and Mrs. J. E. Berry started Monday on a carriage drive to North Troy. There will be preaching in the Union church Sunday, May 14, at 10:30 a. m. by Rev. William Davenport of Colrain.

MARLBORO.

Miss Lottie Mather was at home over Sunday.

A party was held at Charles Ryder's Monday night.

P. C. Barreuther of Williamsville gives instruction here on violin, mandolin and banjo.

Miss Lizzie Hall celebrated the 16th anniversary of her birthday last week with a party.

Paul Cheney of Williamsville, Miss Bertha Sprague of Halifax and Mrs. Ware of Wilmington were at Mrs. Thomas's Wednesday.

The East school will begin Monday, May 8. Miss Mary Cox, a pupil of the school of expression in Boston, will be the teacher.

Death of Gen. Fitzhugh Lee.

Gen. Fitzhugh Lee, ex-governor of Virginia, died in Washington Friday night from an attack of apoplexy. He was struck on the train while en route from Boston to Washington earlier in the day. Gen. Lee had long been a figure of national prominence. He was 70 years old, a nephew of the late Gen. R. E. Lee, the greatest man of the Southern Confederacy, and a grandson of "Light Horse Harry" Lee of Revolutionary fame, who was one of Washington's trusted lieutenants. His father was Admiral Sidney S. Lee of the United States navy.

Gen. Lee graduated from West Point in 1855, saw active service in the Indian wars, and was an instructor at West Point when the Civil war broke out. He resigned to enter the Confederate service and rose to the rank of major general, having charge of the cavalry corps of Gen. R. E. Lee's army. He was governor of Virginia from 1869 to 1870, and United States consul general to Havana, 1878-86, being there when the Maine was blown up, and during the troublous times immediately after, just before war was declared. President McKinley appointed him a major general of volunteers in the Spanish-American war, and after peace was declared he returned to Havana as military governor. He wrote a history of the life of Gen. Robert E. Lee.

Every nervous person should try Carter's Little Nerve Pills. They are made specially for nervous and dyspeptic men and women, and are just the medicine needed by all persons who, from any cause, do not sleep well, or who fail to get proper strength from their food. Cases of weak stomach, indigestion, dyspepsia, nervous and tick head, ache, etc., readily yield to the use of the Little Nerve Pills, particularly if combined with Carter's Little Liver Pills. In vials at 25 cents.

JAMAICA.

A special town meeting is called for May 13.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Fish are here cutting for E. G. Pierce, who is ill.

Sophia White died very suddenly early Monday morning from heart failure.

Miss Dodge is ill with measles at W. L. Barnes's. Mrs. Lottie Clark is caring for her.

Several local members of the W. C. T. U. attended the county convention held in Brattleboro.

Lola Kingsbury has been engaged to teach the West Hill school, but on account of throat trouble Carrie Burnham has supplied for her part of this week.

Mrs. C. E. Morgan went Tuesday to Northfield, this state, to accompany her mother, Mrs. Matilda Charles, home. Mrs. Charles has spent the past six months with Mrs. Morgan.

The Congregational Sunday school chose the following officers last Sunday: superintendent, Mrs. Lunt Kellogg; assistant superintendent, Miss Mabel Sage; secretary, Mrs. Carrie Robinson; treasurer, John S. Robinson; librarian, Vera Morgan; organist, Beatrice Emerson.

WARDSBORO.

Gilbert Allen visited at Frank Farnham's the first of the week.

Mrs. Annie Nemcomb and son, Carl, visited in Brattleboro recently.

Gertrude Pike, who was ill the last of the week, is able to be out again.

Mrs. Edith Brigham has moved into the upstairs tenement at E. D. Plimpton's.

Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Wilbur of London, England, spent Sunday with Ernest Pike and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Howard, who has been working in Londonderry several weeks, returned home Sunday.

Charles Rice and family have moved into the house which he bought from Mrs. F. J. Mott.

Mr. and Mrs. Dexter Waite of Brattleboro spent Sunday with Mrs. Waite's sister, Mrs. Mary Eddy.

Mrs. Joseph Cummings and child of South Londonderry are visiting L. A. Whitcomb and Mrs. George Briggs.

Mrs. Laura Blanchard, who spent a few days at her summer home, returned Wednesday morning to Troy, N. Y.

A number of people from this place attended the birthday party of Ed Farnham Tuesday evening, and report a fine time.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Fuglestad have presented to the A. Z. club a handsome A. Z. sign of very artistic design, made by Mr. Fuglestad, for which the club is very grateful.

Mrs. Frances Gleason and son, J. E. Gleason, and two children of Brattleboro are at their old home, Miss Lucia Gleason will remain in Brattleboro until the close of school.

The meeting of the Grange was held at the home of A. Doolittle in South Wardsboro Tuesday evening, as Mr. Doolittle is in feeble health and not able to be out in the evening. A large number were present, and a pleasant time was spent. After the meeting cake and coffee were served.

The Easter exercises, held at the Methodist church Sunday evening, were enjoyed by a large audience. The church was beautifully decorated by Miss Hanna Halonen, to whom a vote of thanks was extended. Miss Halonen is very thankful to all who furnished potted plants, and to those who assisted in the decorations.

WARDSBORO CENTRE.

Mrs. W. J. Ingram was a recent visitor at L. J. Foster's.

L. M. Newell is at home after spending two weeks at Dr. Hoffman's.

Nellie Patterson is at home from Brattleboro to recuperate after having the measles.

Fred DeRosier, the Massachusetts "state boy" who lived with Mr. and Mrs. Haskins a year and a half, has gone to Springfield, Mass.

Mercury was at about 26 Tuesday morning and by way of contrast Wednesday afternoon was uncomfortably warm and rainy.

Brought showers of rain and hail, accompanied by wind, lightning and thunder.

My friends were invited to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown Tuesday evening in honor of the birthday anniversary of their son, E. J. Farnum. Refreshments of cake, coffee, sandwiches and ice cream were served.

NOTICE.

Owing to ill health it becomes necessary for me to give the following notice: All persons having dealt with me, whether by note or account, are hereby requested to call on me in Wardsboro Centre and settle or advise me of the same on or before June 1, 1905, and all notes or accounts not settled or advised at that time will be placed in the hands of an attorney for collection.

LYMAN M. NEWELL.

Wardsboro Centre, Vt., May 1, 1905.

WHITINGHAM.

Harrie Chase was in West Dover Saturday.

Ada May Faulkner was a visitor in town Thursday.

The Thimble club will meet this afternoon with Edith Fowler.

John Bidgert was moved Wednesday to the home of John Dix.

M. E. Johnson of Connecticut was in town a short time Thursday.

Clinton Reed went to Springfield Monday. He returned Wednesday.

Mrs. W. Wheeler, who has been very ill about ten days, is somewhat better.

C. S. Chase came home from Newfane Saturday, returning Monday afternoon.

Word has been received that Mrs. Crofts did not improve as it was hoped she would.

Mr. and Mrs. O. R. Chase were in town Tuesday, getting their house ready for occupancy.

Robert A. Chase is doing some grading around his house, which makes a great improvement.

Dancing school will be held this evening, so there will be no Saturday evening dance. One will be held the 11th.

Edith Good will be held Saturday evening, when she will be singing at the supper Thursday evening. Miss Carpenter going to her home in Readsboro Friday.

Monday was a raw, stormy day, snow falling, the greater part of it coming in the form of small snowballs. The thermometer stood at 34 at 11 o'clock. Wednesday morning it was 44 at 7 o'clock and at 8:30 it was 72, at noon, 76, not very beautiful changes. The grass is very green, but the leaf buds develop slowly.

The "Irish supper" Thursday evening drew a large number of people. A bountiful supper was served, then came reading, recitations, music, a potato race, and the young people of the town, four large oranges tied with long green satin ribbons; fancy marching under the stars and stripes, and a grand finale. It was a great success, and \$12 was added to the floor fund. The decorations were orange and green.

GROVE.

The many friends of Mrs. Eunice J. Bell will be grieved to learn of her death, which took place in Randolph, this state, where she spent several years ago to make her home with her daughters, Mrs. Annie Babcock and Mrs. Frank Edson. She was a woman of noble Christian character, one of the few who never spoke ill of any one, and who bore the many sorrows she welcomed with the joy of her long life with unflinching serenity and perfect trust that "He doeth all things well."

Her grandson, Howard Edson of Burlington, came with the body for burial Friday in the family lot near Mrs. Etta Bell's.

NEWFAINE.

George Goodenough is clerk in Harry Wood's store in Windham.

Henry W. Hall, who sold his farm to Horace Wood, will keep possession until fall.

Mrs. W. H. Goodnow of North Cambridge is expected to reopen Elm hall for the summer.

Rev. F. M. Wiswall is teaching the Union school in district No. 4, composed of the three districts in that section.

Mrs. E. C. Benedict of New York is spending about ten days at the home of her mother, Mrs. George Underwood.

Mrs. R. Wood, who spent the winter in Northfield, Mass., returned on Monday, accompanied by her brother's wife, Mrs. Howard.

Mrs. Henry Downs, who has spent the winter in Ohio, is stopping here, at the late home of her father, the late Paris Rawson.

Warren Cushing of Vernon recently visited his brother, B. C. Cushing, who is ill, and has advertised his farms for sale in consequence.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis are assisting in the management of the Cheshire County, N. H. home, an institution for the indigent, located at Westmoreland.

The Homeland circle recently held a thank offering service at the vestry, the occasion closing with a pleasant social hour and the serving of refreshments.

Mrs. F. J. Mott, who accompanied her daughter, Miss Stella Mott, to Springfield, Mass., last week, is with relatives in Springfield, this state, for this month.

Frank Hathaway of Massachusetts has spent the past week with his sister, Mrs. Fred Smith. He was a victim of a railroad accident which deprived him of part of his left arm.

George Ware of Brookline took the contract for moving goods of Mr. and Mrs. George Shephardson to North Londonderry, and was assisted in driving the team by Frank Ware.

Simon Sargent of Castleton arrived at the home of his brother, H. L. Sargent, on Monday. The brothers expect to return to Newfane on Monday, to return from Baltimore about this time.

During last week the body of Arthur J. Best, a young man who died in the winter from tuberculosis, was taken from Woodlawn vault and buried in Woodlawn cemetery, situated a mile from Newfane village.

Newfane Grange will give a public entertainment at their next meeting, May 10. The program includes a play entitled "A Box of Monkeys," instrumental music, songs and readings. A small admission fee will be charged, and refreshments will be served. Everybody is invited.

The burial of the body of Charles Austin Birchard, brought from Springfield, Mass., in February and placed in Woodlawn vault, occurred on Thursday of last week. Mr. Birchard was in his 80th year and was the son of Austin and Mary H. Birchard, residents here half a century.

Wallace Pearson, formerly of Waterbury, Conn., who bought a few years ago of N. M. Batchelder the farm in district No. 7, once known as the Isaac Newton place, is expected to bring a family and occupy the place about the middle of the month.

Mabel Hall has the contract for papering the rooms.

While it is delightful to see plentiful crops of all sorts, it is a great pity to note that much of it is ruthlessly torn up by the roots in gathering, which, if continued must eventually run out this season. Let us all be careful of the crop.

Mrs. G. E. Davidson, Mrs. B. C. Eager, Mrs. A. Groat, Mrs. L. W. Bush, Mrs. C. S. Wilson and Miss M. S. Newman of the local society were members of the Windham County Women's Christian Temperance union convention in Brattleboro last week. Ladies were joined by Mrs. C. P. DeWitt, who returned recently from Southern Pine, stopping en route in Newfane. Rev. T. D. Davies, an honorary member, was in attendance a short time on Tuesday.

In the village cemetery Sunday afternoon a burial service was held over the body of William T. Bruce, who died late in the winter. A large number of friends gathered to pay respect to the memory of a good and useful man. Rev. T. D. Davies officiated. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Burditt of Bruce, sang a favorite hymn. Preceding deaths in the family were those of Mrs. Bruce's only daughter, Carrie, at the age of about 20 years.

Mr. and Mrs. Broad's report of the mission trip to various parts of the country always meets a local audience. They are in Ohio and their work with the Welsh congregation in Gomer has an added interest. Mr. and Mrs. Broad were entertained by the Welsh pastor and a reception was held by another family.

The church choir, under the direction of Mrs. C. P. DeWitt, gave a fine musical performance at the home of the great audience was something wonderful. All sang and were uplifted. In May the Broad's will attend the Congregational annual meetings and they are on the program of the Vermont conference, to be held in Brattleboro June 13-15.

Invitations were issued this week to a "house warming" at the new home of Mrs. J. L. Martin. The home is named The Maples, and is situated at the corner where West street and the railroad are common, in full view of the public place of ground given by Mr. Park, an early settler, about 1825 for the erection of county buildings and the erection of the monument which was soon well placed with elms and maples, now making a beautiful little park in which plays a fountain, surrounded by a walk and a view to the restful enjoyment of shade and view of the hills. In recognition of Mr. Martin's improvements the public gave him ample room for a sidewalk and a view of the public road correspondingly southward. Also the company owning Newfane farm removed some objectionable surroundings. A veranda extends across the front of the house to the maples and the walled enclosure are placed conspicuously white stone obelisk in blasting at a considered depth for a water supply abundant on Sunset mountain. At this place will be held Saturday evening Mr. Martin will deliver an address on "The Rights of Women," at 8:30 o'clock.

WILLIAMSVILLE.

Miss Della Tutthill is visiting Mrs. George Roberts in Brattleboro.

C. P. Stone of Springfield, Mass., is visiting at C. E. Park's.

James McCarthy is painting the iron bridge near J. M. Stratton's.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwards of Bellows Falls are visiting at D. M. Edwards's.

The body of Clinton Hall was brought here for burial in our cemetery Saturday.

Mrs. D. R. Stedman, Mrs. A. H. Stratton and Mrs. M. M. Merrill attended the V. C. U. convention in Brattleboro Tuesday.

Mrs. Webster, Miss Edith Webster and Raymond Webster of South Dakota are visiting in town. They will move to Townshend, where Miss Edith will have a photographic studio.

Mrs. Idella Heacock and family have moved to South Newfane, and Cullen Lamson will occupy the tenement she vacated when Prentiss Carr will move into the tenement vacated by Mr. Lamson.

The consolidation of Pittsburg and Allegheny will create a municipality having a population of 46,116, according to the census of 1900. The consolidated city will rank next to Baltimore, which in the census year had a population of 508,957. Greater Pittsburg will be sixth in rank among American municipalities. The order in the census year was New York, Chicago, Philadelphia, St. Louis, Boston and Baltimore.

TOWNSHEND.

Clifford Holbrook was in town this week.

Monday the wind blew all day like a hurricane.

Miss Willis visited recently at Mrs. Abby Willard's.

Nearly everyone had fish for breakfast Tuesday.

The Carlton family moved into the Thayer house May 1.

A number from here attended the Sunday school convention at Champlain Falls.

Mrs. Loomis spent Sunday at her brother's, A. L. Stone's.

Miss Addie Moore is visiting her old neighbors in Harmonyville.

Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Willard visited this week at Mrs. Abby Willard's.

Gerald Albee who teaches in Athens, spent Saturday and Sunday at home.

Mrs. Etta Ward of Guilford visited her sisters, the Misses Hobart, last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Gould of Bellows Falls spent Sunday at Champlain Falls.

Royal Sanderson reports the rainfall for April to have been 3 1/2 of an inch.

Mrs. Joel Day of Springfield, Mass., has visited this week at Mrs. Abby Willard's.

Mrs. Sarah Sanderson is visiting at the Sanderson homestead at the West village.

Melvin Adams is at home after spending the winter and spring in Westminister.

Charles Snow is making some repairs on his buildings. R. D. Phillips is doing the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Roscoe Marsh attended the Burr convention at Cambridgeport Saturday.

The Ladies' Home club will meet with Mrs. A. E. Park Wednesday afternoon, May 10.

Abby Follett has returned to her school in Weston after spending the vacation at home.

Capt. Clark Stone returned Wednesday to Springfield, Mass., after visiting relatives here.

Miss Groat, the milliner, spends Sunday with her relatives, the Grouts, in the West village.

The Boutelle family have moved back to their farm after spending the winter in the village.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Miles attended Sunday funeral of their relative, Archibald Mack.

Leonard Frazier, who recently visited at his home in Amsterdam, N. Y., will work for J. C. Taft.

Russell Blood has returned to his work in Bellows Falls after spending some time at his home here.

E. L. Hastings is finishing up the grading of the grounds around his house, which work he began last fall.

Mrs. Emily Kenyon returned Friday from a several months' stay in Bristol and other places in Rhode Island.

A covenant meeting will be held at the Baptist church Saturday afternoon and communion will be observed Sunday.

Hope Chase, who teaches in the Hollow district, boards at home, but a little later will board at Park Hall's.

The social the Hadesian league was to have been held on Monday evening of this week was postponed on account of the recital.

A male quartet consisting of Rev. E. A. Royal, Harry Franklin, Will Boutelle and Arthur Rand will be heard on Memorial day.

Rev. Mr. Beeman called upon friends in town last week on his way home after attending the Sunday school convention in Brookline.

There was no school Friday at the seminary and the pupils cleaned the seminary building. We hope the seminary grounds will be cleaned up, too, if they were not before.

Farmers and those who have gardens are busy, help is scarce and those who do not do their own outdoor work find it hard to get the help which is so much needed at just the right time.

Mrs. Cella Cutler's beautiful cactus is in bloom. It is red and the shape is similar to the night blooming cereus, only not so large. We do not know the name. It graced the church on Easter.

Miss Mabel Page, the electionist who will drill the seniors for graduation, came to town Saturday evening. She will board at R. D. Phillips's. She will also have a class in elocution for any one wishing to improve in this important branch of study.

Sybil and Nellie Holbrook of Indian-Point, Ind., have sold their home and hold goods, which have been stored at their former home—now owned by A. A. Blood—since their mother's death. We regret to hear of the loss of Mrs. Deane, who was Mrs. Holbrook.

Orlando Jensen has returned to his home in Woonsocket, R. I., after visiting his brother and other relatives in this vicinity. He leaves a wife and a high priced phonograph with a fine selection of records and neighborhood gatherings which were much enjoyed were held to their end, and Mr. Jensen's kindness was much appreciated.

Mrs. A. A. Blood has received news of the death of her nephew, Edward P. Charter of New Britain, Conn. He died very suddenly of valvular heart trouble. He had been a trolley car conductor and years, and had recently been employed in the shipping office department of a bicycle firm. He leaves a wife, daughter and father to mourn his loss.

The recital given in Seminary hall Tuesday evening by Miss Mabel E. Page was well attended. Her selections were good and her manner so pleasing and unobtrusive that she made a very favorable impression on her audience. One of the gems of the evening was the little poem by Eugene Field, "Miss Mabel Stoddard and Miss Crescy gave piano solos at intervals during the evening, and the Misses Garfield and Alice sang.

In reply to what has been said, the seniors did not feel that their entertainments and suppers had been so well patronized by the villagers as they ought to have been. We would say that so little notice was given to them that they are outside of the school did not know of them until after they were over, and then it was a little too late to attend. It has always been the custom to have the papers one week ahead. We are sure the community feel very kindly toward the seniors and show their kindness in many ways.

Arbor day was observed by cleaning up the common and we hope some trees were set out, as we have a forestry committee. The hotel is greatly in need of some shade. We wish some of the waste places here might be made to bloom. The handsome shade trees destroyed by fire have never had their places made good. Had they been replaced, the place would have been a very different one.

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