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AUSTRIA ADMITS DEFEAT

Entire Front of the Eastern Army Has Been Hurled Back Across the Carpathian Mountains Which They Crossed Over in Recent Advance

TURKS ARE CLAIMING DEFEAT OF RUSSIANS

Noticeable Slackening in Allies' Efforts in the West Causes Comment in British Papers, with Promise That Reason Will Soon Be Known

The Russian assertion of an important victory won over the Austrians in Galicia was confirmed to-day in an official statement from Vienna. The Russians' claim to victory over the Turks in the Caucasus is disputed. Reports have reached Berlin from Constantinople, saying that the Turks have won another success and are pursuing the Russians. It is also said at Constantinople that another British attempt to land troops in Arabia failed.

The soldiers of Emperor Nicholas still hold the main German armies in check and continue to press the advantage, according to dispatches reaching London. At the same time they are harrassing the Austrians, who have been flung back over the Carpathian mountains.

In the western area the allies continue to claim slow progress but the offensive started in the middle of December has noticeably slackened, a fact which Berlin declares means failure of the attempted allied advance. Even some of the British newspapers call attention to the marked decrease of the vigor of the French, British and Belgian thrusts at the German line, but they add that the reason for the quiet will soon be disclosed.

ENTIRE AUSTRIAN ARMY IN RETREAT

Official Communication at Vienna Admits that Russians Have Driven Them Back Along Whole Eastern Front.

Vienna, via wireless to London, Dec. 30, 6 a. m.—An official communication says: "The old Rusian army which a week ago commenced an offensive against those of our forces which had crossed the Carpathians has been reinforced with supplementary troops and fresh divisions in such a manner that it was necessary for us to withdraw our troops along the entire eastern front and in the plain of Gorlice. The situation in the north has not been influenced thereby. In the Balkan theatre the Montenegrins showed great but unsuccessful activity. A weak attack at Treninje in Herzegovina near the border we repulsed easily. The Montenegrin artillery has had no effect on the strong fortress of Krievosije."

FIGHTING FOR ST. GEORGES.

Germans Seek to Recover Town They Lost in Surprise Attack.

Berlin, via wireless to London, Dec. 30, 3 p. m.—The official communication says: "In the western theatre of war we are still fighting for the hamlet of St. Georges, southeast of Nieuport, which we were compelled to evacuate owing to a surprise attack. The storm and cold have caused a damage to the positions of both sides in Flanders and northern France."

NOTE STIRS BRITAIN.

Who Are Surprised Over American Protest on Shipping Interference.

London, Dec. 30.—The American note of protest against the British treatment of American commerce, insisting upon an early improvement came as a complete surprise to the British public, as there had been virtually no intimation that any friction had arisen between the two governments.

The placards posted by the evening papers were given over exclusively to the American note and the papers gave it the largest head lines they have given any news during the past month. Consequently the British people regard this as one of the most important occurrences of the whole war. Nothing of the kind since President Cleveland's Venezuelan message has produced such a sensation.

The first impression of the public is that the note may create friction and perhaps some unfriendly feeling, although the newspapers point out that it specifically states that the representations were made in a friendly spirit. The situation is comparable to that which arose at the time of the South African war when neutral shippers began to send cargoes intended for the Transvaal republic to the neutral port of Delagoa bay.

ROBBER CAPTURED WITH STOLEN $18,000

Arrest at Bingham, Utah, Was Due to Thoughtfulness of Bank Cashier in Carrying Screw-Driver, with Which He Released Himself from Vault.

Bingham, Utah, Dec. 30.—A man who gave the name of Bert Heasted held Cashier Earl Randall, two other men and a boy prisoners at the Bingham state bank yesterday, took $18,000 in currency and was arrested without resistance soon afterward. His quick capture was due ot the fact that the cashier carried a screw-driver in his pocket to be used, he said, in case he were held up and locked in his vault, as was the cashier in another Utah bank robbery recently.

Heasted locked the three men and the boy in the vault. Randall used his screw driver to open the door and was able to escape in a few minutes. Policeman J. H. White overtook Heasted, arrested him without trouble and found all the money in his pockets.

105 FOREIGN SHIPS ENTER U. S. REGISTRY

Since Congress Passed Act in August Admitting Foreign-built Ships to Such Classification.

Washington, D. C. Dec. 30.—One hundred and five vessels which operated under foreign control prior to the outbreak of the war have been added to the American merchant marine since August 18 when Congress passed an act admitting foreign-built vessels to American registry.

CALL IT SUICIDE.

In Case of Milwaukee Man Found Dead In London.

London, Dec. 30.—A verdict of suicide was handed down last night by a coroner's jury which held an inquest on the body of a man said to be Ralph K. Danforth, a medical practitioner of 110 Queene Anne street, Milwaukee, who was a member of the Candian contingent.

According to the testimony the man was found dead in his room in a hotel with a wound in his throat which evidently had been self-inflicted. Several empty bottles on a table indicated that he might also have taken poison. A photograph of a woman was in the dead man's lap. In his pocket were only twopence.

No evidence was added to show why the man committed suicide.

SOMEONE ELSE GUILTY ASSERTED NADEAU

Patten, Me., Tavern Keeper Says That Only Circumstances Placed Him Behind Bars in Hillman Case.

Houlton, Me., Dec. 30.—Freeman Nadeau, a tavern keeper of Patten, was brought from Island Falls to the county jail here to-day to await the action of the April grand jury on the charge of attempting to kill Harold C. Hillman, deputy sheriff, who has been missing since Dec. 21. Nadeau was unable to furnish $5,000 bail.

Nadeau said: "People know I am innocent, only circumstances placed me here. Some day they will get the right one." The prosecution of Nadeau was based on the theory that Hillman's activities in enforcing the prohibitory law had provoked the tavern keeper's enmity.

Island Falls, Me., Dec. 30.—Freeman Nadeau of Patten was held for the grand jury yesterday in connection with the inquiry into the disappearance of Deputy Sheriff Harold C. Hillman of the village on the night of Dec. 21. The action was taken at the conclusion of a hearing before a local justice on a warrant charging Nadeau with murderous assault. Bail was placed at $5,000.

The county officers, who have been trying to learn what became of Hillman after he left his home on the night of the 21st, believe that he was attacked because of his activity in making liquor seizures. The evidence presented at the hearing was purely circumstantial.

Taking the witness stand in his own behalf, Nadeau entered a general denial of the assault charge and attempted to prove an alibi.

Testimony that Nadeau was in Island Falls about the time Hillman was last seen was given by James Kallerhan after the defendant had declared he was not here that night. Kallerhan said that he had recognized Nadeau at the hearing as a man whom he saw in a team in this town with another man on the night in question.

The witness added that he saw Nadeau three different times between 7:30 and 8 o'clock. In his direct testimony Nadeau denied that he assaulted Hillman and declared he had no knowledge of the missing man's whereabouts. He testified that blood found on a knife was from a deer he had dressed.

ACCUSED MAN DEMANDS HEARING

E. Gerry Brown, State Supervisor of Small Loans in Massachusetts, Said to Have Favored Certain Money Lenders.

Boston, Dec. 30.—Charges that E. Gerry Brown, state supervisor of small loans, had favored certain money-lending agencies were sustained at a private hearing before an executive council, according to an official announcement from the governor's office to-day. It was also announced that Governor Walsh was undecided whether he will summarily remove him from office or appoint his successor, in which event Brown would be retired automatically.

Brown has engaged counsel and formally demanded a legislative investigation from the administration to-day.

NOISY YEGGS STIR UP TOWN

But Postoffice Robbers at Attleboro Falls, Mass., Got Away

AFTER SECURING $200 IN BOOTY

Whole Neighborhood Awakened by Noise of the Explosion

Attleboro, Mass., Dec. 30.—The safe in the Attleboro Falls postoffice was blown open at an early hour this morning and $200 in stamps and money were obtained by the robbers. The neighborhood was awakened by the noise of the explosion, but the burglars escaped before the police arrived on the scene.

BURNED $250,000 BOND WITH WASTE PAPER

Trustees of Estate of the Late Edward Wells of Burlington Are Petitioners For New Massachusetts State Bond.

Boston, Dec. 30.—The accidental burning of a $250,000 Massachusetts state bond by Henry L. Ward of Burlington, Vt., was disclosed yesterday, when a legislative bill was filed seeking authority for the issuance of a duplicate. The petitioners, who are attorneys for the trustees of the estate of the late Edward Wells of Burlington, explain that Mr. Ward, one of the trustees, had the bond among papers on his desk, and that it was gathered up with wastepaper and thrown into a furnace.

SLID INTO A WRECK.

Slippery Rails Caused Troy Street Car to Dash Off Iron.

Troy, N. Y., Dec. 30.—Owing to slippery rails a trolley car while descending Tow hill, one of the steepest streets in the city, became unmanageable late yesterday afternoon and dashed at a high rate of speed down the thoroughfare. At the foot of the incline the car left the rails, and, crashing into a telegraph pole was demolished. Nine passengers who were in the car and the motorman and conductor were injured, several of them internally. Physicians and ambulances were summoned and the most severely injured were taken to a hospital.

EXPOSURE KILLED YOUNG HUNTER

Richard Nichols' Body Found in His Punt in Barnstable, Mass., Harbor To-day.

Barnstable, Mass., Dec. 30.—Richard Nichols, son of Wendell Nichols of Brookline, lost his life while gunning in the harbor. His body was found in his punt. Evidently the punt had been overturned, and it is believed that young Nichols lost the oars, his gun and his coat in righting the boat, after which he died of exposure.

2500 FAMILIES TO BE EVICTED.

Coal Companies Demand that Strikers Pay Back Rent on Homes.

Steubenville, Ohio, Dec. 30.—Notices were made out yesterday calling on approximately 2,500 families of striking miners in Jefferson county to pay to the coal companies by Jan. 15 the 10 months' house rent they owe under penalty of eviction. These families constitute the bulk of the population directly affected by the coal strike, which has continued without interruption since last April.

SHUGRUE PUNCHED BETTER.

Outfought Charlie White in 10-Round Bout in New York

New York, Dec. 30.—Joe Shugrue of Jersey City outfought Charlie White of Chicago in a 10-round bout at Madison Square Garden last night. Shugrue had the better of seven rounds.

Both men weighed in under 133 pounds at 6 o'clock and their ringside weights were:

Shugrue, 133¼; White 130¾.

It was a clean fast fight. Shugrue forced the pace nearly all the way while White during the early rounds was cool and seemingly confident. He met Shugrue's rushes with snappy left hooks and right counters, but he depended for the greater part on his left hand.

ENTICED HER HUSBAND.

Claims Charlotte Woman in Suit Against Monkton Woman.

Burlington, Dec. 30.—The suit for alienation of affections of Easi Fonda of Charlotte against Luna Walston of Monkton was entered in Chittenden county court yesterday. Both parties are married women.

Mrs. Fonda claims when her husband went to work for the defendant's husband at Monkton Mrs. Walston enticed Fonda to leave his wife and children.

ROBBED EVERY PASSENGER

But Did Not Molest Express Car on the Southern Pacific.

San Antonio, Tex., Dec. 30.—Two [illegible] boarded a Southern Pacific train between Cline and Spofford early this morning and robbed every passenger. The express car was not molested.

OVER 100 FARMERS AMONG LOSERS

In Failure of Hudson Valley Creamery Co. of Poultney, Whose Debts Are $15,794.76.

Rutland, Dec. 30.—More than 100 farmers and milk producers are named in the schedules in bankruptcy filed yesterday afternoon in this city with Clerk F. S. Platt of the United States court in the case of the Hudson Valley Creamery Co. of Poultney, Mrs. M. M. Graves, president, and the accounts owed these people vary from a few dollars to over $200 in some cases, the average amount being about $100. Attorney J. C. Jones is counsel for the bankrupt concern, which was forced into the financial settlement by several creditors who are represented by George W. Platt of this city. The company's liabilities amount to $15,794.76 and its assets are $4,629.85.

This is one of the biggest bankruptcy schedules ever filed by a firm in this county, although not the largest. The petition asking that the firm be adjudged bankrupt was filed Nov. 27, 1914, by Attorney Platt, acting for W. A. Mead, Charles P. Warren and Anton Kral of Hampton, N. M., Jane Beaman of Poultney and James Bunker of Fair Haven. The petition alleges that in October the concern committed an act in bankruptcy when it paid to the Citizens' National bank of Poultney a note of $2,000 and another act was committed on June 6, when a mortgage was made out to the Farmers' National bank of Granville, N. Y., and the matter fraudulently withheld from the records. Judge James L. Martin declared the firm bankrupt and the adjudication was referred to Referee E. H. O'Brien, who ordered the concern to file schedules within 10 days.

The liabilities of the creamery company include the following amounts owed for the delivery of milk: C. C. Graves, $32; Maude G. Smith, $21; W. B. Graves, $21; George Parker, $135; all of these persons living in Poultney. Taxes due the town of Castleton amounting to $10.57 are in the schedule. There is a mortgage of $2,000 held by the Farmers' National bank of Granville. The unsecured claims amounting to $13,060.24 are very largely made up of those of farmers who have sold milk to the concern without receiving pay and these several accounts amount to many thousands dollars effecting producers in Hampton, N. Y., Whitehall, N. Y., Castleton, Poultney and West Granville, N. Y. Some of the heaviest creditors among the farmers are T. Hogan of Hampton, who is owed $215.91, and Anton Kral of Poultney, who has $220.20 due him for milk delivered. The Citizens' National bank of Poultney holds two notes amounting to $735 and the People's National bank of Hudson Falls, N. Y., holds a note for $1,000.

The assets include the following real estate: Poultney, $1,500; Castleton, $200; Whitehall, N. Y., $25; West Granville, N. Y., $75. The schedules show $421.13 on hand and fixtures amounting to $650 with book accounts of $1,758.72.

The first meeting of creditors will be held in the office of Referee E. H. O'Brien Jan. 9 at 10 o'clock in the morning.

CLAIMS HE SHOT IN SELF DEFENSE

Rocco Oliva Arrested in Rutland for Shooting His Italian Countryman, Filipo Annello, In Burlington.

Burlington, Dec. 30.—Rocco, Oliva, who is charged with shooting his countryman, Filipo Annello, on Barrett street last Monday night was brought to this city last night from Rutland, where he was arrested at the railroad station yesterday afternoon. He was questioned by Chief of Police Russell.

Annello, he said, was always calling him a bad boy at the mills and threatening to cut his face. When they were together Monday night opposite the cotton mill storehouse, just after they had left Cosimo Prodenzana, Annello told him it was a good time to cut his face and reached his hand down to his pocket. Oliva said he was scared and thought Annello was trying to get a gun. He then drew his own gun and shot Annello, intending to hit him in the arm. He struck Annello and he did not know whether he was dead or not.

Immediately after the shooting he dropped the gun and ran. He followed the car track down town and later he saw a street car come down the hill and also saw Prodenzana in it. He stepped behind a tree and when he saw Prodenzana get out of the car he ran up the street. He did not see the police patrol wagon. He kept walking until he came to the railroad track. He then walked along the track and late at night he reached the station at Charlotte, where he remained until morning. He then walked to Vergennes, where he purchased a ticket to New York. He was arrested when he arrived at Rutland.

Oliva denies that he has carried the gun recently. He said the weapon was a present from a friend about two years ago. He had the gun stuck in his belt Monday night, but had not carried it up to that time. He also denies that he threatened to shoot Prodenzana when the latter came up after Annello had been shot.

The clue that led to the arrest of Oliva was furnished by George P. Tuttle, who saw Oliva at Vergennes when Mr. Tuttle was taking the train there to this city yesterday morning. When he arrived in Burlington he told Chief of Police Russell that he was certain he had seen Oliva. The chief immediately notified the chief at Rutland and the latter took Oliva off the train.

Filipo Annello, the victim of Oliva's bullet, is resting comfortably at the Mary Fletcher hospital and will undoubtedly recover. The X-ray was put on the wound yesterday and the bullet was located. It will probably be taken out to-day. There have been no internal hemorrhages and the physicians believe that the wound will not furnish much more trouble.

HOAG CHECKER CHAMPION.

Burlington Man Won from Field of 40 Contestants.

W. C. Hoag of Burlington, secretary of the Vermont State Checker association, won the state championship at Montpelier last evening from a field of 40 contestants, of whom only 15 finished. W. C. Stewart, also of Burlington, won the second honors.

W. H. Moser of Barre was sixth and Alex Anderson of Barre was ninth.

DIDN'T EXPECT HE WOULD LIVE

Poisoning Victim Told His Mother, So Mrs. Mary Curry Testified

BISBEE PUT ON TRIAL FOR MANSLAUGHTER

Cyrus Curry Was One of 13 Men Who Died at Bristol

Middlebury, Dec. 30.—The prosecution rested in Addison county court to-day in the trial of Don A. Bisbee of Bristol, charged with manslaughter in the death of Cyrus Curry of Bristol, one of 13 victims of wood alcohol alleged to have been sold by Bisbee.

The first witness in the case was Dr. H. P. Williamson of Bristol, who testified that he had treated Curry on Nov. 1, and that he understood at that time that the man was suffering from effects of alcoholic poisoning, but that he did not see the patient again until after he died, on Nov. 2.

The next witness was Dr. B. H. Stone of Burlington, director of the state laboratory of hygiene and professor in the University of Vermont college of medicine, who testified that he performed an autopsy upon the body of Cyrus Curry on the third day of November, and that in his opinion Curry died from poisoning and that he believed the poison was wood alcohol.

On cross-examination Dr. Stone said it was difficult to notice the difference between wood alcohol and more highly-refined preparations, such as cologne spirits, and it was still harder to detect the difference by the odor.

Mrs. Mary Curry, mother of the dead man, testified that on the second day of November at about 4 o'clock in the afternoon her son was at the house and complained of being ill, and that he said he was also sick at 8 o'clock in the morning, before he fed his pigs and started to work, and at 8:30 o'clock he went to bed and said he did not believe he could live. After that he did not talk about his condition, Mrs. Curry, said, but she heard him tell Dr. Williamson that he obtained liquor of Bisbee and did not think that he could live. Dr. Williamson stated that the deceased was in his normal state of mind when he made his statement to him.

Deputy Sheriff George S. Farr, the next witness, testified that he arrested and jailed Bisbee and searched his place of business on Sunday, the first day of November, and that he found in the store 10 one-quart bottles of stuff supposed to be whiskey and a 10-gallon can partly full of stuff which he has since had reason to believe was wood alcohol, and in addition to these a large number of half-pint bottles containing something that was supposed to be and is now claimed to be a poisonous liquor known as wood alcohol.

The jurors are: Levi Beech of Ferrisburg, M. B. Ferson of Leicester, John L. Birchard of Shoreham, George A. Barnard of Lincoln, Ward S. Benedict of Cornwall, Frank A. Nisun of Bridport, Joseph Bodett of Addison, R. A. Dunham of Hancock, George R. Slack of Vergennes, F. A. Needham of Whiting, Charles J. Devoid of Starksboro, Carl J. Bottum of New Haven.

POPULAR PLAINFIELD MAN.

Frank Richardson Passed Away Late Yesterday.

Plainfield, Dec. 30.—This village was saddened last evening to learn of the sudden passing away of one of her young men, Frank Richardson, at 5 o'clock. Mr. Richardson had been in declining health for the past seven years and although he made a brave struggle and although everything that the love and kindness of friends could do was done for him it was all of no avail.

Frank Richardson was born in Groton Nov. 23, 1879, one of the four children of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Richardson, the eldest and the only son. He married Lucia Douse July 10, 1901, moving to this village the following February.

Mr. Richardson was a carpenter by trade and, being of an inventive and mechanical genius, was ever busy until failing health caused him to do less and less each year. The past year had been of great suffering to the man, but he nevertheless bore his burden bravely. A great lover of nature and eager to regain his health, he was found in the camps of Edgewater through the fall and winter till Nov. 23, when he returned home.

Mr. Richardson is survived by the widow; his mother, Mrs. E. Charter of Hazardville, Conn.; two sisters, Mrs. Fred Flanders of Orange and Mrs. Fred Bertrand of Hazardville, Conn.; one aunt and six uncles, besides a host of friends who mourn for him and sincerely sympathize with the bereaved ones.

The funeral will be held from the M. E. church of this village Saturday at 10 o'clock, with burial in the family lot at Washington. It is expected that Rev. Arthur W. Hewitt will officiate, with Clarence, Plina, Ernest and Edson Douse, Fred Flanders and Eddie Harton as bearers.

WRECK AT MIDDLESEX.

Engine and Three Freight Cars Went Off Iron.

The main line of the Central Vermont railroad was blocked this afternoon by the derailment of the engine and three cars of a southbound freight train near the Middlesex yard limit shortly before noon. The engine fortunately stayed on the roadbed. There is a steep bank on either side. The track was blocked and all trains had to be held up. A wrecking crew was sent down from St. Albans.

SHORTAGE OF WATER MAY HURT QUARRIES

Serious Situation Said to Be Facing Operations on Barre Hill as Quarry Hole Supplies Are Being Drained to Bottom.

Quarry owners on Barre hill are facing a water famine, and unless the situation is soon relieved by a steady downpour of rain, or a thaw, at least, operations will have to be suspended. Conditions in the quarrying district are undoubtedly grave, and the question of whether the quarries will shut down for an indefinite period will be determined by the elements, and that very soon, the quarrymen say. A canvass of the more important granite deposits on both sides of the hill yesterday found every quarry owner and superintendent cognizant of the gravity of the situation. The advent of winter saw the quarries in a bad way, in so far as the water supply is concerned, and since the first snowfall the slight precipitation has not materially affected conditions.

Throughout the fall there was an unusual dearth of rain, and winter weather thus far has not been favorable to flooding the water sources. Most of the quarries are dependent upon deep quarry holes for their water supply. Powerful pumps are employed to convey the water from the pits, and in very numerous instances the pumps are now drawing water from the very bottom of the pits. Business conditions in the quarry belt, while suffering from a temporary relapse in November, are said to be bright at the present time. The demand for stock continues heavy, and the effect of a general shutdown on account of water shortage might easily have a paralyzing effect on cutting operations here in the city.

To-day's higher temperature was welcomed by the quarry companies, and it was thought that melting snow would help to swell the water sources if the warm spell is not suddenly terminated. The weather prognosticators apparently are not prophesying for the benefit of the quarry companies, as colder weather is predicted.

Here in the city, water conditions remain normal, and granite manufacturers have plenty of running water. When asked by a Times man to-day as to the situation at Orange and Bolster reservoirs, Supt. H. E. Reynolds made the paradoxical reply that the city has water to burn. There is no more water now than at the same season last year, he said, as the reservoirs are full to the brim and can hold no more. Mr. Reynolds is not apprehensive of shortage among domestic users or granite manufacturers.

HARRY GORDON KILLED IN PATERSON, N. J.

Well Known Barre Man Was Struck By Street Car and Died Yesterday Afternoon—Left Three Weeks Ago.

Harry Gordon, until three weeks ago a resident of Barre, was struck by a street car in Paterson, N. J., during the noon hour yesterday and passed away at 5 o'clock in the afternoon without having recovered consciousness. News of Mr. Gordon's death came in a telegram received here late last night by his brother, William Gordon, who lives at 62 North Main street. No details concerning the manner of his demise were contained in the telegram, but a letter received by the Gordons this noon told the circumstances of the accident. Mr. Gordon was crossing the street where the car struck him. He was removed to his home, where serious injuries in the side were treated by the physicians.

For 13 years the deceased was a resident of Barre. Shortly before Thanksgiving the family went to Paterson to reside and was joined by Mr. Gordon two weeks later. He was a member of Clan Gordon, No. 12, O. S. C. and also belonged to Barre aerie, No. 1,537, Fraternal Order of Eagles. While a resident here he attended the First Presbyterian church. Until a short time before his departure he was in the employ of Marr & Gordon. Mr. Gordon was a stonecutter by trade and lived for a number of years on Bugbee avenue.

Besides his wife, he leaves two children, Nellie and Margaret Gordon, and two step-children, Elsie and Alex. Gordon. His mother, Mrs. Jessie A. Gordon and one sister, Mrs. Margaret Edwards, reside in Aberdeen, Scot., and there are five brothers surviving as follows: Charles Gordon of Providence, R. I., James Gordon of New York City, Robert Gordon of Aberdeen, Scot., John Gordon of Newcastle, Eng. and William Gordon of this city. He was born in Aberdeen around 40 years ago. His marriage to Mrs. Ellen McLeod took place in Paterson in 1900 and the couple came to Barre to reside soon after the wedding.

FUNERAL OF D. G. ROBEN

Was Held from His Late Home in South Barre.

The funeral of the late Douglas G. Roben was held from his residence in South Barre yesterday afternoon, many relatives and friends attending. The services were conducted under Masonic auspices, members of the Barre lodge of F. and A. M. participating. Rev. Edgar Crossland of the Barre Presbyterian church was the officiating clergyman, and he spoke very feelingly of the deceased and in a manner to bring great comfort to the mourning relatives and friends. Two selections, "Nearer, My God to Thee," and "Sweet Hour of Prayer," were sung by Mrs. H. D. Lamb.

Burial was in Hope cemetery in this city, and the bearers were as follows: George, Matthew and Douglas Roben, all sons of the deceased; William Reed, Raymond Paine and Henry C. Lawson. The floral tributes included a casket bouquet from the family, carnations from the Montpelier Knights of Pythias, bouquet of cream roses from Mr. and Mrs. Henry C. Lawson, carnations from Mr. and Mrs. Fred Paine, carnations from Mr. and Mrs. [illegible], a sheaf of wheat from Mr. and Mrs. William Reed, and carnations from Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Tilden.

Among those from out of town attending the funeral were Dr. Matthew G. Roben of Auburn, Me., Mrs. Mabel Williams of Rochester, N. Y., Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Lawson of Montpelier, and Mr. and Mrs. George Roben and son of South Ryegate.

UNITED FOR SANITATION

Conferees on Proposed Cutters' Bill Appeal to the City Council

FOR IMPROVEMENT AT STONESHEDS

Council Asks for List of the Plants Not Now Accommodated

Definite measures for the maintenance of proper sanitary arrangements in the stonesheds of Barre are to be included in the agreement which the granitecutters' association is to submit to the manufacturers before March 1. A draft of the bill which the cutters hope to substitute for the agreement now in force lays special stress on this feature and to emphasize the fact that cutters and bosses alike are working with a common end in view with reference to sanitary arrangements the two factions were represented by a committee which appeared before the board of aldermen at its regular meeting last night. Conferences between the manufacturers and the granite cutters have had for one of their primary results the expression of sentiment in favor of improved sanitary facilities all along the line.

Henry Alexander, president of the granite cutters' local and Daniel J. Sullivan and Harley D. Stevens of Stevens & Jones, who represented the manufacturers, told the aldermen what they thought should be done to alleviate conditions in certain localities. Members of the board held that much had been accomplished already and that the city fathers will continue to install sewer connections and lay pipes whenever finances will warrant. Views on the situation were freely exchanged and in the end the cutters' committee promised to return with a list of the sheds where sewer connections had not been made.

Mayor Ward thought the city would always stand ready to help the manufacturers if they are ready to help themselves. Alderman Bancroft spoke in detail of the improvements made within the past year and said that more work is contemplated next year. It was Alderman Hoban who proposed that a list of sheds without adequate facilities be tabulated by the committee and submitted to the board of aldermen. Mr. Alexander said the state board of health had conferred with the cutters' committee and stands ready to aid if its services are needed. Mr. Alexander intimated that the state board apparently, is without much power in enforcing sanitary regulations.

The manufacturers' representative, Mr. Stephens, thought the manufacturers were "up against it," as he phrased it, in certain sections. His own firm, he went on, would have to go out of business in preference to financing a sewer on Smith street, costly as such a project would be on account of the land level there. In his opinion manufacturers who are in a position to make sewer connections should be compelled to do so, and Mr. Alexander shares this opinion to the extent of saying that makeshifts for sanitary equipment now in use should be demolished. Running water is available in all instances and the manufacturers need only the sewers dug. Alderman Hoban's motion to ask the committee for a list of sheds as yet unsupplied with desirable sanitary appliances prevailed. Before the committee left the council chamber, Mr. Alexander stated that a list would be prepared.

Prepare for Printing City Reports.

Within a comparatively short time the various city departments will be putting in their yearly reports and in anticipation of their action the board voted, on the motion of Alderman Hoban, to have the printing committee make the customary arrangements for issuing the city report. The committee was asked to prepare specifications and to advertise for bids when the proper time arrives. The fiscal year ends to-morrow and the early part of January will see the council busy with the first of the departmental reports. Usually the most belated report is not at hand until February and the city reports are seldom distributed any earlier than Feb. 15.

A resolution calling for departmental appropriations aggregating $1,400 was read for the second time and adopted. The resolution provides for diverting moneys to the cemetery trust fund and the income from the gas company's receipts to the sinking fund. There are minor appropriations for current expenses, as noted last week.

More coasting room for the young people was the keynote of a discussion which Alderman Bancroft started. In designating a street for the children of each ward to use for coasting purposes, Mr. Bancroft thought the council had overlooked the very young children. Oftentimes it so happens that the hills approved by the council are too far away for the convenience of little people, who should be near the watchful eye of their mothers. It was voted to have the street committee look into the needs of the juveniles around town.

November in police circles was scarcely up to the average in the point of arrests. Chief Sinclair's report was read as follows and accepted: Total number of arrests, 19; divided by intoxication 14, breaches of the peace 3, larceny and operating an auto without rear lights burning, 1 each.

Warrants were approved for payment in the following order: Street department payroll, $194.22, street and sidewalk accounts; water department payroll, $41.28; fire department payroll, [illegible]; police department payroll, [illegible]; [illegible] $14, services as janitor; sinking fund addition from 2 per cent gas company's receipts, $228.87; C. A. Reed, treasurer of park commission, $80, balance of appropriation; city treasurer, $150, McLaughlin and Tilden cemetery trust funds; school treasurer, $24,402.61, balance of 1914 taxes, etc.