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1-2 C. S. HOPKINS, Secretary.

NOTICE.

The annual meeting of the Prospect Hill (Cemetery) association will be held in my office Monday evening, January 14, 1907 at 7:30 o'clock to hear the report of the treasurer and for the choice of officers.
Brattleboro, January 4, 1907.
WILLIAM S. NEWTON, Clerk.

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WINDHAM COUNTY COURT.
April Term, 1907.

JULIA ZUILL
v.
HERBERT B. ZUILL.

Whereas, Julia Zuill of Rockingham in the County of Windham has filed in the office of the clerk of this court her petition setting forth the marriage ceremony between herself and Herbert B. Zuill, her residence within this state and county, and that while she has faithfully kept the marriage covenant, the said Herbert B. Zuill has violated the same for that he did on, to wit, the 26th day of March, A. D. 1901, desert the petitioner and has since continued such desertion; that the said Herbert B. is now without the state of Vermont and in parts to the petitioner unknown; and praying that the bonds of matrimony between her and the said Herbert B. Zuill may be dissolved and a bill of divorce be granted here for the cause aforesaid, and that an order of notice by publication may issue in the premises.

It is therefore ordered that the said Herbert B. Zuill be required to appear before the Honorable County Court next to be held at Newfane, within and for said County of Windham, on the second Wednesday of April, A. D. 1907, and make answer to the said petition.

And it is further ordered that the petitioner cause this order, with the substance of said petition as above set forth to be published in The Windham County Reformer, a newspaper printed at Brattleboro, in said County of Windham, three weeks successively, the last publication to be at least six weeks before the commencement of said April term of court.

Dated at Brattleboro, in the County of Windham, this 26th day of December, A. D. 1906.

F. D. E. STOWE, Deputy Clerk.
GIBSON & WATERMAN, Attorneys for petitioner. 1-3

A CARD.

We wish to thank the neighbors, friends and shopmates who were so kind to us during the recent sickness and death of our daughter, Minnie, and also those who so kindly sent flowers at the funeral.
MR. AND MRS. C. W. BARTLETT AND FAMILY.

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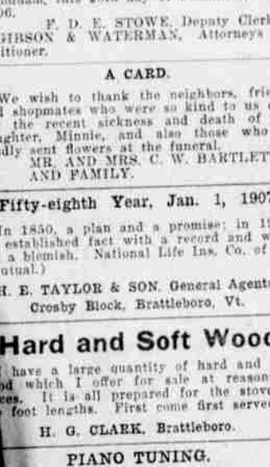

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AT THE REFORMER PRINT SHOP

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LEG CRUSHED UNDER A CAR

Robert Lincoln Badly Injured Near Townshend.

JESSE LANE HURT TOO

Freight Car Intended For Park's Siding Suddenly Left Rails and Plunged Down Embankment—West River Residents Hot Over Frequent Accidents

A serious accident occurred on the West River railroad a short distance north of Townshend Tuesday morning when a freight car which was to be placed on Park's siding jumped the track and rolled down an embankment, injuring two brakemen, Robert Lincoln and Jesse Lane of Townshend. Lincoln's left leg was badly crushed just below the knee and the physicians are not yet sure whether or not amputation will be necessary. He is at the Brattleboro Memorial hospital. Lane was badly cut about the back and head but was able to go to his home after the accident. Both injured men were taken to Townshend immediately after the accident and were attended by Drs. Rice and Osgood. Lincoln's leg was placed in a cast and he was brought to Brattleboro on a special train which reached here early in the afternoon.

Shortly after noon the extra freight which goes north over the road nearly every day left Townshend, pushing in front of the engine two freight cars which were to be left on the park siding. About two miles beyond the village the track runs along on embankment elevated considerably above the highway but close to it is a curve near what is known as Scott's bridge. At this point the head freight car on which Lincoln and Lane were sitting suddenly left the rails and plunged down the embankment into the road, carrying both men with it. Lincoln's left leg was struck either by a car or a large boulder which it uprooted and the limb was so badly crushed that the bones protruded through the flesh. Lane was thrown some distance and injured as already mentioned. The car landed on its side in the highway.

The people along the line of the West River road are more than annoyed by the frequency with which accidents occur, and the fact that conditions do not seem to be growing any better makes them all the more warm. Just what caused the accident of Tuesday is not known but the people who have visited the scene of the derailment say that the track at that point, though on a sharp curve is practically level. If this is so it might easily account for the accident since it is a well known fact in the science of engineering that where there is a curve the outside rail must be higher than the inside in order to make the track safe for traffic.

With the aid of a derrick and an engine the derailed car was placed on the track Wednesday afternoon. While assisting in the work Homer Burroughs of West Townshend was struck by the crank of the derrick and one bone in his left arm was broken.

FLOYD IS ELECTED.

Legislature Made Him Governor of New Hampshire Wednesday.

Charles M. Floyd of Manchester, republican, was elected governor of New Hampshire by the state legislature at the opening session of that body at Concord Wednesday, and was formally inaugurated yesterday. The choice of a governor by the legislature was made necessary by the failure of any candidate at the November election to secure a majority of votes, Mr. Floyd, who was the leading candidate, lacking upward of a hundred of the number needed to elect. In the voting in joint convention of both branches of the legislature, Mr. Floyd and the democratic candidate, Nathan C. Jameson, were the only candidates eligible under the constitution to be balloted for, though there were several other candidates in the November voting. The vote of the legislature follows: Charles M. Floyd, 263; Nathan C. Jameson, 144. Aside from the formalities of organizing the two branches for the session, little other business was done yesterday. The Senate organized with John Scammon of Exeter as president, while Betram Ellis of Keene was chosen speaker of the house.

THE NATIONAL LIFE.

Statement of Its Business Issued by President DeBoer.

Joseph DeBoer, president of the National Life Insurance company, gave out Wednesday a partial statement of the standing of that company at the close of business last Monday night.

The gross assets are $37,510,213.46; the mortgage loans, first liens, are $15,045,779.92; municipal bonds, $14,616,313.76; policy loans, $3,787,991.99; premium notes, $1,377,470.74; real estate, $652,600; cash on hand, $667,720.94; market value of bonds over book value, $123,082.24; uncollected and deferred premiums, $563,716.25.

The total liabilities of the company are $33,287,086.03, and the company has an undivided surplus of $4,223,127.43. During 1906 the company issued or revived 13,134 policies which represent an insurance of $24,479,600.44. The company had at the close of the year outstanding insurance in 78,253 policies, a total of $151,253,000.06. This represents a gain in insurance for the year of 4,665 policies.

A chemist of St. Etienne has discovered a method by which the color may be taken out of silk, and it may be recolored in any desired tine without [illegible]. I like to see the women's [illegible]

WILL MOVE PLANT TO SACO AT ONCE

Peel's Remedy Company Will Do Business In Saco As Soon As Change Can Be Made—K. W. Sutherland Has Sold Out.

The Peel's Remedy company has decided to leave Brattleboro and make Saco, Me., the future base of its operations. The present owners of the company bought out the old Peel's Food company a year ago last September and by shrewd business ability have built up a large and flourishing trade. Three men, C. W. Place, G. E. Morrison and K. W. Sutherland, all of Saco, Me., were the owners of the company. Mr. Place owns and runs grain stores in Saco and Biddeford, Me., and a large grain elevator in Saco. For the past year K. W. Sutherland has been resident manager of the company. To his business and executive ability the growth of the business of the firm is largely due.

After considering all circumstances connected with the running of the company Mr. Place, the president, and the other members of the company decided to move the factory to Saco. There practically all the material for the compounding of the remedies may be taken directly from the store of Mr. Place. Here the company has been obliged to buy a large part of its material through local dealers. It has been difficult for the directors of the company to supervise the work here as traveling facilities between Brattleboro and Saco are not of the best.

Mr. Place has recently purchased a new four story brick block located on Pepperell square in Saco and the factory for the compounding of the remedies will be located in this building a part of which is already occupied by the grain store of Mr. Place. The stock and fixtures of the company are at present being loaded into freight cars which will be taken to Saco immediately.

Mr. Place has bought out the stock formerly owned by Mr. Sutherland who will remain in Brattleboro for the present and is undecided as to his future. E. G. Frost, who has been connected with the company for many years, is considering the proposition of going to Saco in the employ of Mr. Place but has not yet decided what he will do.

Brattleboro business men regret the departure of the company, which has added much to the business of the town during the past year.

VERMONT CROPS.

Department of Agriculture Issues a Bulletin About Them.

The Department of Agriculture has just issued a bulletin showing the acreage, production and value of the principal farm crops in the United States in the year 1906. Statistics for Vermont are given as follows.

Corn—acreage 56,491, yield per acre 35.5 bushels, productions 2,005,430 bushels, price per bushel 59 cents, total farm value $1,183,204.

Spring wheat—acreage 1,388, yield per acre 22.3 bushels, production 30,952 bushels, price per bushel 86 cents, total farm value $26,619.

Oats—acreage 76,955, yield per acre 37.2 bushels, production 2,862,726 bushels, price per bushel, 43 cents, total farm value $1,230,972.

Barley—acreage 12,810, yield per acre 32.8 bushels, production 420,168 bushels, price per bushel 62 cents, total value $260,504.

Rye—acreage 1,754, yield per acre 15 bushels, production 30,520 bushels, price per bushel 62 cents, total farm value $18,922.

Buckwheat—acreage 7,706, yield per acre 21 bushels, production 161,826, price per bushel 58 cents, total farm value $93,859.

Potatoes—acreage, 26,300, yield per acre 101 bushels, production 2,656,300 bushels, price per bushel, 55 cents, total farm value $1,460,865.

Hay—acerage 870,530, yeied per acre 1.20 tons, production 1,044,636 tons, price per ton $10, total farm value $10,446,360.

Tobacco—acreage 199, yield per acre 1,700 pounds, production 338,300 pounds, price per pound 18.5 cents, total farm value $57,511.

Maine Deer in Danger.

That the supply of deer in Maine will not meet the demand of the constantly increasing number of hunters is the opinion of the State Commissioners of Inland Fisheries and Game given in their annual report. The most reliable figures obtainable give the number of deer killed the past year as 18,000, which is a decrease of fully one-third from the previous year. The decrease in the number of moose also is noticeable. There are no indications of any caribou in the state. The number of guides registered is 2083, who, at the rate of $4 a day, earned $360,000 this year.

There were raised in the eight fish hatcheries in the state 3,061,100 fish, which were planted in 160 ponds and lakes. There is a growing sentiment, the commissioners assert, that better results would be obtained by feeding the fish for a year longer after hatching. There are now in the hatcheries 2,425,000 eggs taken during the spawning season this year.

Wheel Club Games.

The following games have been played in the wheel club tournament this week:

Three ball billiards—Shumway, 60, Howe, 83, Shumway winning on handicap; Dugan from Brasor by default; Aldrich, 130, Dugan, 92; Thompson from Duquette by default; DeWitt, 90, Fox, 51; Dr. Pettee, 85, Aldrich, 20, Pettee winning on handicap.

Four ball billiards—Miller, 10, Jones, 62; Dr. Pettee, 95, Seaverns, 62; Seaverns, 115, McRae, 53; McRae, 60, Dr. Pettee, 94, McRae winning on handicap; Miller, 110, J. Tasker, 46; Wellman, 50, Whitney, 88, Wellman winning on handicap.

Pool—G. Tasker from Condon by default; Shumway, 55, Flagg, 33; C. [illegible] from these excepting Governor Hughes [illegible] of corporats.

LITTLE WORK FOR SENATE OR HOUSE

Congress Convened Yesterday After the Christmas Recess But Matters Are Not in Shape to be Acted on—The Brownsville Episode.

Congress convened after the Christmas recess at noon yesterday. It is not expected, however, that much business will be transacted until the following week. No program has been arranged for either body but it is understood in a general way it is to proceed with the appropriation bills as rapidly as possible, but as neither house has one of those measures before it, both will be forced to take up other matters of legislation or adjourn from day to day until the committee can bring in some of the supply measures.

It is known to be Senator Foraker's wish to secure early consideration by the senator of the resolution for an investigation by a senate committee of the Brownsville episode, and he has been devoting much of the time of the recess to preparation for the continuance of his discussion of the subject. It is understood to be his intention to proceed as soon as the senate is prepared to have him do so, but if, as seems likely, the attendance during the first few days of the renewed session should be meagre, he may ask for a postponement. The question of Senator Smoot's eligibility is also in condition to be considered by the senate, but as Senator Foraker is counted upon by the Utah senator's friends to lead in his defense, it is understood that that question will be deferred for a time. Senator Gearin of Oregon has a speech forthcoming on the Japanese question, but he will not be heard until the second week of the approaching session. By unanimous consent the senate will vote on Jan. 12 on Senator La Follette's bill placing a limitation on the duration of the hours of work of railway operatives, and that measure is now in position to be called up for discussion at any time.

The house is not nearly so well provided as the senate with miscellaneous subjects which are in shape for consideration. The house calendar is by no means barren, but, in the absence of the speaker and other members of the committee on rules, no prediction regarding proceedings before other appropriation bills are reached would be justified. It may be confidently stated, however, that no important matter will be taken up in the interim. The next appropriation bill to be reported to the house will be the fortifications bill, and this will be followed by the bill making appropriations for the District of Columbia, but neither will be ready for consideration before Jan. 10. The senate committee on appropriations will report the legislative, executive and judicial bill about a week after the reconvening of Congress, and it will soon be followed by the Indian bill, if there should be no effort at special legislation on that measure. The legislative bill will receive the attention of the senate as soon as reported.

ALLEGE OVERCHARGE.

New Hampshire Lumbermen to get After Boston and Maine Railroad.

The New Hampshire Lumbermen's association has voted to secure counsel for the prosecution of alleged claims against the Boston & Maine railroad for overcharges said to aggregate $40,000. The action of the Lumbermen's association is based on a law passed in 1891, when it was provided that the railroad should not increase charges in the state for freight carrying, but should from time to time reduce them. The association alleges that in 1896 the railroad issued a supplement to the 1891 tariff increasing about 50 per cent. 100-pound shipments. In 1893 a second supplement to the 1891 tariff is said to have been issued which increased charges on all kinds of freight, incidentally increasing the rate on carload shipments of lumber about 82, whether on long or short hauls.

At the last quarterly meeting of the lumbermen's association, a committee of two members was appointed to investigate the alleged overcharges, and at the meeting last week Sheriff Nathaniel Doane of Manchester reported for the committee that 35 claims of overcharge, amounting to $40,000, had been secured. He said that the committee believed 150 claims could be secured on lumber overcharges alone, and that taking in alleged overcharges on other classes of shipments, suits amounting to $400,000 or $500,000 might be brought, provided the action to be brought by the lumbermen should be successful. The committee was empowered by the association to secure counsel and make a complete investigation with a view of bringing suits.

NOW GOVERNOR HUGHES.

He Entered Upon His Duties at Albany Tuesday.

Charles Evans Hughes of New York Tuesday began his term of office as governor of the state of New York, formally taking over the office from Frank Wayland Higgins of Olean. With simple, but impressive ceremonies, the constitutional oath of office was administered to the new governor by the new secretary of state, before an audience which crowded the great assembly chamber to overflowing. The inaugural ceremonies were unusually brilliant, and the attendance almost unprecedented. At noon, the hour appointed, even the weather conditions co-operated. After several days of fog and drizzling rain, the clouds lifted long enough for the parade and the ceremonies in the assembly chamber, and then at the close of the exercises, as the echoes died away after the "governor's salute" of 19 guns was fired in the park in front of the capitol, the gray pall of mist settled down again and the rain fell once more.

The new state administration which assumes office today is made up as follows: Governor, Charles E. Hughes of New York; lieutenant governor, Lewis Stuyvesant Chanler of Duchess; secretary of state, John S. Whalen of Monroe; controller, Martin H. Glynn of Albany; attorney general, William S. Jackson of Erie; treasurer, Julius Hauser of Suffolk; engineer and surveyor, Frederick W. Skene of Queens.

FIGURES OF POST OFFICE

Gross Receipts of 1906 Show a Substantial Increase.

TOTAL IS OVER $34,000

Increase Over 1905 of $2,356.96—Net Revenue to Government Past Year Was $18,279.35—277,255 Pounds of Matter Mailed by Local Publishers.

At the Brattleboro postoffice, during the year 1906, the gross receipts on postal account amounted to $34,624.02, an increase over 1905 of $2,356.96; over two years ago of $6,260.71; over three years ago of $8,912.39, and $10,642.13 more than the receipts of 1902. The receipts of the last quarter, ended Dec. 31st, were $10,421.52; for the month of December $4,087.91. The net revenue to the government for the past year was $18,279.35; $1,787 more than the previous year. The receipts from sales of postage stamps last year were $19,687.81; for postal cards, $1,823.60; for 487,461 stamped envelopes, $10,149.98; for box rents, $513.50, and $2,373.15 from local publishers on papers outside the county at the cent-a-pound rate, the free-in-the-county circulation amounting to 19,940 pounds. The total weight of second-class matter mailed by publishers was 277,255 pounds—nearly 139 tons. There were 1666 special delivery letters received, and 1446 sent out. The expense of the local carrier service for the year (with six regular carriers, one mounted, and two substitutes on "auxiliary service" 24 hours per week), was $5,913.62.

The money-order business shows a total of 22,597 transactions, representing $546,360.72, an increase over previous year of 2801 transactions amounting to $46,768.76 (4579 more than two years ago). There were 7840 domestic orders issued, amounting to $51,321.56, exclusive of fees of $456.67; 315 international orders issued, for $5,746.38, with fees of $57.24; 2162 certificates of deposit were issued for $212,867.89; 10 drafts on New York postmaster, $1,950; 11,946 domestic orders paid, amounting to $73,938.75; 19 international orders paid $227.33; 305 remittances to Boston depository, amounting to $199,745.

In the registry department 19,056 pieces were handled (an increase of 3002 over the year before, and 3908 more than two years ago), of which 7,802 were for local delivery, 6,201 were recorded in transit, while 5,033 were registered and despatched.

The total of both money-order and registry transactions—41,653—was 5,803 more than year before, and 8,487 increase in two years.

At the West Brattleboro station there were 855 money-order transactions, amounting to $10,546.40.

WILL BEGIN SOON TO MAKE SHIRTS

Webster C. Mitchell Has Leased Quarters Formerly Occupied by Brattleboro Manufacturing Company.

Webster C. Mitchell has rented the quarters formerly occupied by the Brattleboro Manufacturing company in the building owned by the Twin State Gas & Electric company, and will begin next week the manufacture of men's shirts. The rooms in which Mr. Mitchell will do his manufacturing have been thoroughly renovated and sewing machines are now being installed. It is Mr. Mitchell's intention to employ eight or 10 girls at first but he expects to increase that number in a very short time if the market for his product proves what he expects. He has already equipped his new shop with a table having capacity for 20 machines, and if the business demands it he will put in another table of equal length. Mr. Mitchell expects to manufacture a shirt of good quality, and he has in contemplation the addition of several other lines. Brattleboro people are anxious to see Mr. Mitchell succeed in his venture since every new industry adds just so much to the prosperity of the community. Mr. Mitchell has had thorough experience in the manufacturing business, being a former member of the firm of Hooker, Corser & Mitchell. He is now busy getting his new shop ready for occupancy by next week.

FAILURES IN VERMONT.

Total Number for the Year Just Ended Was 179—Less Than in 1905.

The mercantile agency of R. G. Dun & Co. furnishes the following failures in Vermont as filed for the year ending December 21, 1906.

Petitions in bankruptcy	38
Other failures	141
Total	179

Following is the list by counties:

Addison	6
Bennington	3
Caledonia	20
Chittenden	20
Essex	7
Franklin	27
Grand Isle	7
Lamoille	6
Orange	3
Orleans	15
Rutland	16
Washington	21
Windham	14
Windsor	15

Failures, 1905	Total liabilities,	$323,204.14
	192	
Failures, 1904	Total liabilities,	$853,494.56
	192	
	Total liabilities,	$397,288.91

Seventeen men were seriously injured, two fatally, at Reed City, Pa., Saturday, when a [illegible] at the Standard mills of the [illegible] steel tube company broke, dropping [illegible] men a distance of 20 feet. The [illegible] were employed as carpenters [illegible] roofers.

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