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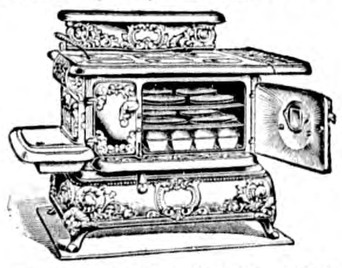

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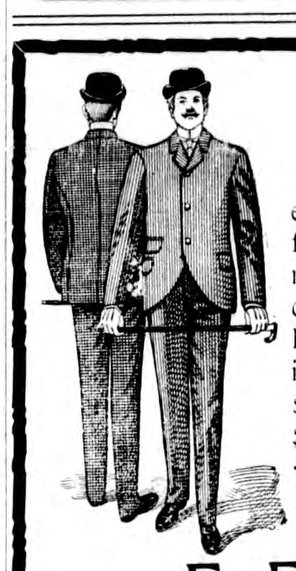

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ANNUAL MEETING, OCT. 1, 1902.

The annual meeting of the Stockholders of the Vermont Valley Railroad Company of 1871, will be held at the office of the National Bank of Bellows Falls, Bellows Falls, Vt., Wednesday, Oct. 1st, next, at 12 o'clock, M.

1st. To receive and act upon the report of the Directors for the past year.

2nd. To elect Directors for the ensuing year.

3d. To act upon any other business that may legally come before the meeting. By order

JOHN H. WILLIAMS, Clerk.

Bellows Falls, Vt., Sept. 18, 1902.

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from now on, and will be pleased to supply them at the lowest market prices. They will be always fresh and good. Send us a trial order. Call up telephone 45-3 and we will deliver them.

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Say Bill!

Have you ever tried one of those good cigars called

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Try one now!

THE ANNUAL VALLEY FAIR.

TO BE HELD HERE WEDNESDAY AND THURSDAY FOR THE 17TH TIME.

Present Indications Are That It Will Be Better Than Ever—New Features in Several Departments—Notable Horse Exhibits—The "Old Homestead" Oxen Coming—Continuous Vaudeville Performance and Educated Animals Show — Horse Races With Purses Amounting to Nearly $3,000—Educational Exhibits From Local Town Schools.

Everything points to a fair this year that shall be an advance in all ways upon the enjoyment and all-round success achieved by our fairs in other years. Everybody concerned, which includes about everybody in this section, is prepared to do his part to make the event a great success and everyone is on tiptoe in anticipation of the happy result. Clear, cool, sunshiny September weather is assured by long precedent which has become established. The town is gay and joyous in her bright and artistic decorations, the railroads have offered excellent rates and the accommodations for outside friends to come in are ample and business in town will be generally suspended both afternoons of "fair days" so that every one can take in "the sights."

Several entirely new features have been secured in various departments this year which cannot fail to be appreciated by patrons of the fair.

The leading feature will be the exhibits of horses shown in different styles. Prominent among the large exhibits will be that made by the Runnymede farm of Windsor, owned by Maxwell Evarts. This will include their splendid four-in-hand and tandem hitch, beside running horses, which will give exhibitions both days of the fair. Senators Hastings of Walpole, N. H., will also enter a four-in-hand and Winston Churchill will show the same team with which he entertained the president during his recent trip through Vermont. Several other four in-hands will also be shown. All of the above will exhibit in front of the grand stand at 11 o'clock each forenoon, and on the second morning after the horses are judged a cavalcade of the prize winners in all the classes will exhibit in front of the grand stand. Aside from the above, exhibits will be made by the Connecticut River stock farm of Hatfield, Mass., which will show 20 head; the Forest Park farm of Brandon which will show 10 or 12 head; A. N. Kingsley of Ashuelot, N. H., has entered four stallions; A. T. Batchelder of Keene, N. H., will bring two or three. Smaller exhibits will be made by Charles Miner and C. D. Noyes of Brattleboro; Justin Batcheller of Wallingford, Vt.; Henry Crawford and Geo. Phillips of Putney. Great interest will be taken in the gentlemen's driving class, in which a good number of local horses and several from out of town, have already been entered.

The cattle exhibit will contain many herds which have been selected with great care; among the leading exhibitors of Shorthorns will be G. E. Taylor and Son of Shelburne, Mass., who won a large number of prizes at the Concord fair; G. F. Dole of Bardwell's Ferry, Mass., who claim to have a herd second to none in New England; Carlton and Son of Simonsville, who captured a number of prizes at the Rutland fair and F. B. Mann of Wilmington who will exhibit for the first time this year, at the Brattleboro fair. The Holsteins will be represented by E. F. Copeland of Colrain, Mass., W. D. Newton of West Brattleboro and the Retreat farm of Brattleboro. R. H. Cushman of Bernardston, Mass., and probably the Bradley farm of Brattleboro will exhibit in the Guernsey class. The Jerseys will be represented by Stoughton and Burnham of Montague, Mass., who claim to have the best herd in this section, several of their animals having been purchased from the Vanderbilt farm in New York. The Guilford Springs farm will also send a full herd of their cattle, and other small exhibitors will be seen. The Richardsons will as usual, look after the Hereford exhibit and together with the Retreat farm will have a fine display. J. W. Bemis of North Chester, Mass., will bring his prize winning herd of Devons, and no finer animals have ever been shown on the Valley Fair grounds than will be seen in this herd. The Ayrshires will be looked after by C. M. Winslow, secretary of the Ayrshire Breeders' association; the Forest Park farm of Brandon, and S. R. Breck of Claremont, N. H. In the oxen exhibit S. R. Breck of Claremont will be the leading exhibitor, with 26 pair. An interesting feature in this department will be the "Old Homestead" oxen shown by Denman Thompson. Mr. Thompson will be at the Fair both days, and it is possible that he may drive the cattle himself. J. D. Avery of Buckland, Mass., will show the large oxen which he expects will take the place of the famous "Tom and Jerry" pair which have been exhibited all over the country.

The largest exhibits of swine will be made by C. W. Wheeler and the Retreat farm of Brattleboro; W. E. Kinsman and Son of North Heath, Mass., who will bring a large herd of thoroughbred Berkshires, and C. W. Smead of Greenfield, who will show registered Poland-Chinas.

In the farm products building, everything points to a wonderful collection of fruits and vegetables. The display of apples and small fruits will be very large. The vegetable exhibits will be well taken care of by Mr. Roel, the superintendent of the Retreat farm; C. A. Evans of Claremont, N. H., who showed here last year for the first time writes that he will want three times the space which he occupied last year.

Nearly all the space has been assigned in the floral hall, and the exhibit of farming implements will be as large as usual.

In the poultry department, there will be more nice birds shown than ever. Entries have been received from Wood & Freeman of Fitchburg, winners of high honors at Boston last winter; Green Bros. of Leominster, with many of the winners at the Concord fair; A. E. Davis of Warwick, Mass., who always has good ones, winning at the Athol fair; Tracy Bros. of South Shaftsbury, with winners at the Cambridge, N. Y., fair; Crystal Springs farm of North Charlestown, N. H.; Chestnut Hill farm of Athol, Mass., and J. E. Burt of the same place; H. W. Higgins of Orange, Mass.; F. H. Munson & Co., George G. Burnham and others of Greenfield, Mass., W. R. Graves, the West Springfield man who won high honors at the Pan-American; Roy H. Buss of East Acworth, N. H., with Leghorns that won at the Concord, N. H., fair, and A. O. Preston of Concord, N. H. Beside these mentioned, there are many more prize winners, and many more entries to come.

The educational exhibit this year will include specimens of work from schools in towns interested in the Valley Fair, and a display in virtually all lines of work done in the common schools will be made. This will include Arithmetic, Language, Geography, Nature Study, Science, Penmanship and Drawing. Class exercises and individual work selected from that actually done in school, will make up the larger part of the exhibit.

That Madam Pianka's Lion Act, to be shown here, made a hit at the Clinton fair where they exhibited last week, can be judged from the following clipping taken from the Clinton Daily Item: "The feature of the fair was certainly Madam Pianka and her educated lions. The general expression of opinion was wonder at the various tricks and feats that these animals performed. Madam Pianka fed the lions from her hands; defied the animals while blindfolded, and finally one of the lions opened his ponderous jaws while the Madam inserted her head in his mouth. One of the features is the lion dinner, where the five animals sit at the table in the cage, drink milk from bowls, eat ice-cream with a spoon and raw meat with a fork. It has been found by Clinton fair management that animal acts are the greatest drawing card, and this act is surely the finest that has ever been given."

WINDHAM COUNTY COURT.

Cases Considered During the Past Week—Verdict for Plaintiff in North Bernardston Insurance Case—Other Verdicts Rendered—Divorces Granted.

Clarence G. Stoddard, vs. Cambridge Mutual Fire Insurance company.—In this case the jury returned a verdict Friday afternoon for plaintiff to recover $1272, the full amount of his claim with interest. Fitts and Schwenk for plaintiff; J. L. Martin and G. A. A. Perry of Cambridge, Mass., for defendant.

Charles C. Miller vs. Lester Wilbur.—This was an action to recover on a personal property mortgage note given by Luther Wilbur to plaintiff in consideration for certain personal property when the latter bought the lease of the American House in Brattleboro of the plaintiff. Luther Wilbur soon sold the lease and property to his brother, Lester Wilbur, who assumed the debt. Lester Wilbur made a cash payment on the note and soon afterwards abandoned the property, which was sold on the mortgage, still leaving a balance due on the note, for which the plaintiff brought this suit, trusteeing L. H. Richardson, who had some of the defendant's money in his hands. The court rules that, having promised to pay the note when he bought the property the defendant was holden on any deficiency which the mortgaged property was insufficient to meet, and directed the jury to return a verdict for the balance due on the note, $94.49. Barber for plaintiff; Stowe for defendant.

Francis L. Davis vs. Lorenzo L. Gore, apt.—This was an action to recover for merchandise sold to defendant and his sons.—The defendant claimed that a portion of the goods were bought without his knowledge or direction, and that he had made partial payment on the bill which had not been credited to him. He had made a tender of $23 in the hearing before justice, which he claimed covered his indebtedness and costs of suit to that time. The jury rendered a verdict for plaintiff to recover $34.26 and costs. O. E. Butterfield for plaintiff; Charles S. Chase for defendant.

Ellen E. Estabrook vs. William A. Putnam's estate, apt.—This was an appeal from the decision of the commissioners, disallowing in part the plaintiff's claim for money loaned and services rendered to Mr. Putnam as his housekeeper. The trial commenced before a jury Tuesday afternoon. Wednesday morning counsel announced that terms of settlement had been arranged and the jury were excused. C. S. Chase for plaintiff; John E. Gale, administrator, and C. C. Fitts for defendant. The sudden termination of this case left no work ready for Wednesday.

Thursday morning a jury was empaneled in the case of Myron J. Pike, administrator of the estate of Bion Pike, vs. Hoosac Tunnel & Wilmington Railroad company. This is an action of case to recover for the life of Bion Pike, who was killed near Whitingham station Nov. 11, 1901, while serving as a brakeman. A large number of witnesses in this case are in attendance and it is expected to consume the remainder of the week.

Divorces granted this week are: Carrie E. Snow from William E. Snow for desertion; Grace E. Kirtland from Chas. E. Kirtland for refusal to support.

Miss G. S. Smith of Rutland is acting as official reporter while Reporter Chase is trying his cases this week.

Brattleboro's Fuel Problem.

The leading local coal dealers quote anthracite coal at $12 per ton, delivered in quantities of one ton or less—the less, the better. Hard wood is bringing $8 per cord and coke, which is hard to get, $7.50 per ton. No special anxiety need be felt, however, as long as soft coal can be readily obtained, as now, at $5.50 to $6 per ton, for it can be used in almost any stove. With the exception of the few lucky, and doubtless highly satisfied, mortals who laid in their winter's supply of coal early in the spring, no one in Brattleboro has made any provision for the winter's fuel. The factories and the High school building use soft coal; and the stock of hard coal left over by the schools from last year has been distributed among the primary schools and is sufficient to last them until January at least. The churches will probably be obliged to use soft coal.

HISTORIC FIELD DAY.

OF THE BRATTLEBORO CHAPTER D. A. R. AT WESTMINSTER WEDNESDAY.

Unveiling of a Marker for the Site of the Old Court House Where William French Lost His Life—Ideal Day and Large Attendance—Interesting Program Embracing Several Historical Speeches.

Brattleboro Chapter, Daughters of the American Revolution, held a field meeting at Westminster Wednesday which was attended by fully 1500 people 106 of whom were from Brattleboro. The main object of the gathering was the unveiling of a marker on the site of the old Westminster court house, the scene of the historic massacre, where William French lost his life and where, it is asserted by many, the first blood of the War of the Revolution was shed. The site of the court house is near the east village of Westminster, on a bluff known as court house hill. The marker is a large granite boulder, into which is set a bronze tablet with the inscription: "Court House built under New York during the reign of George III 1772. Scene of Massacre March 13, 1775. Occupied by Vermont until 1788. Erected by Brattleboro Chapter, No. 75, Daughters of the American Revolution, 1902." The tablet is 32 inches in length by 30 inches in width. The committee which arranged for marking the site comprised Mrs. C. F. R. Jenne, Mrs. F. W. Weeks, Mrs. H. D. Holton, Miss Maria Stedman and Mrs. E. H. Putnam.

The committee of arrangements at Westminster included Stephen N. Nutting, Brigham T. Phelps, Joseph H. Underwood, George N. Banks, Fred I. Lane, Mrs. Stephen N. Nutting, Mrs. Octavius L. Fisher, Mrs. George H. Walker, Brigham R. Phelps, Seth Arnold and Walter C. Nutting and the selectmen of Westminster. Dr. H. D. Holton was president of the day. The programme opened with music by the First Regiment band of Brattleboro, followed by prayer by the Rev. G. H. DeBevoise of Westminster. George C. Wright of Westminster, made the address of welcome, to which Dr. Holton responded.

Mrs. Edwin Putnam, regent of the Brattleboro chapter, spoke in behalf of the Daughters and Dr. Holton read a letter from George Sheldon of Deerfield, who gave a verbatim report of some of the most interesting incidents connected with the scrimmage at Westminster court house and the trip of the nine prisoners to Northampton jail March 21, 1775. Alfred S. Hall of Boston, a native of Westminster, gave the historical address, in which he recounted the trials and zeal of the early settlers, the issuing of patents by Gov. Tyron of New York to non-residents, Ethan Allen's visit to Albany in behalf of the settlers holding grants from Gov. Wentworth, the holding of court in the old court-house, the first convention, and finallly the death of William French and Daniel Houghton.

The president called attention to several souvenirs on the platform, including a window from the old court-house, a quaint chair from the old Norton tavern, as well as a bedspread, an old drum which did duty in the first militia company organized in Westminster, and an old flagstaff with ball top, from which floated the first American flag from the court building. The public school children sang patriotic music from the site of the old Norton tavern, and little Hollis and Helen Wright of the fifth generation of Azro Wright, who participated in the Westminster fight, unveiled the marker. Judge H. H. Wheeler of Brattleboro gave an address on the early history of southern Vermont, and brief addresses were made by Congressman Haskins and others. Master George Marsh gave a recitation, and two descendants of William French, from Grafton and Rockingham, were introduced to the audience. The exercises closed with "America." The souvenir program of the occasion bore a halftone of the old court house. The old building was about 40 feet square and was built of hewn timber, clapboarded. The roof was gambrel, surmounted by a cupola. An aisle through the lower story had double doors at each end. There were two prison rooms. The court room was in the second story. The building was torn down about the year 1806. Parts of it still exist and one of the doors was recently brought from Westminster by Dr. Holton and placed in the Brattleboro free library.

ALMOST A MURDER.

Dover Man Filled With Murderous Drunken Frenzy Because His Brother Interfered When He Was Whipping His Child, Fired Twice at Him Inflicting Dangerous Wound.

Frank Bogle of West Dover, 28 years old, shot and seriously injured his brother Fred, 23 years of age, at their home in that place about noon Sunday. Two shots were fired, only one of which took effect, hitting the victim below the ribs on the left side just above the hip, inflicting a flesh wound which, while serious, will probably not prove fatal. Frank Bogle was arrested by Constable C. E. Mann and given a hearing before Justice J. C. Snow. Unable to furnish $500 bail he was taken to the county jail Monday where he will be held to await the outcome of his brother's injuries.

The story of the causes leading up to this tragic result is a pitiful one. Frank Bogle is reported to be a worthless, intemperate young man, who has carried a revolver for some time. The brothers both lived at the home place with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Bogle, and the elder brother has been married and has two children. His wife, unable to endure life with him obtained a divorce last spring and took one of the children with her. The other remained with his father and was the innocent cause of the shooting. Frank Bogle was intoxicated, and, it it said, though it seems incredible, had given the boy liquor and was whipping him unmercifully in the barn because he could not stand up. The child's grandmother, alarmed, asked Fred, who was sober and seems to be of better repute than his brother, to go out and stop the whipping before the child was killed. Enraged at this interference, Frank drew his revolver and shot his brother. The wounded man walked 1½ miles to his sister's home before medical aid was summoned and his wound cared for.