

WEDNESDAY JAN. 8, 1913.

Mrs. Kenneth McIver is recovering from a two weeks' severe illness.

Mrs. C. Hatch left Saturday for Brooklyn to spend the winter.

Mr. Wm. Newell of Tupper Lake visited Miss Mabel Martin last week.

Mrs. Wm. Smith visited her mother at Lawrence last week.

Marsh Post G. A. R. will hold its installation of officers in G. A. R. hall Tuesday evening Jan. 14.

Misses Janette and Catherine Hourihan spent last week with relatives at Nicholville.

Miss Ella Garvey of Nicholville is the guest of her sister, Mrs. William Hourihan.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gurley are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Gurley on Pleasant St.

Mrs. Laura Carr of Schenectady is visiting her parents Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Bulles.

A stated meeting of Vega Chapter No. 98 O. E. S. will be held in Masonic hall Friday Jan. 10 at 7:30 p.m.

Mrs. Frank Wright left on the early morning train Monday for New York to visit her sister for ten days.

Mrs. N. Ellenwood and daughter Miss Wright were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Bird of Canton Friday.

Dr. John Barnett and wife of Watertown spent New Years in Potsdam with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Barnett and other relatives.

A joint installation of officers of the three Courts of Foresters will be held in Lenney hall on Monday evening January 13. A large attendance is desired.

There will be a stated communication of St. Lawrence Chapter No. 24 R. A. M. Thursday evening Jan. 9. A smoker will be held after the meeting and a large attendance is hoped for.

Mr. Earl C. Baker returned to his school work at the College of Pharmacy, Albany on Sunday, after spending the holidays with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Baker.

Mr. and Mrs. John W. Jacob left here Dec. 31 enroute for his home in Alfred, N. Y., for a short stop, and from there to their new home at Niagara Falls.

Mr. Earle Norton McGee, Science Instructor of the Rugby School in Syracuse, has returned to his work after spending his vacation with his parents Mr. and Mrs. J. F. McGee.

The choir of the Methodist church was very much depleted Sunday. A large number are suffering with the epidemic of la grippe that is raging in town.

Mr. O. L. Brown of Saranac Lake was a visitor in town on Tuesday last. He has been a continuous subscriber to the Courier and Freeman for forty-two years.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Benson entertained the annual gathering of her relatives on New Year's day, and a party of about twenty-five enjoyed their genial hospitality.

A regular meeting of Court Potsdam, No. 1336, Independent Order of Foresters will be held on Friday evening January 10, at 7 o'clock, in order to get the business transacted early to allow more time for dancing.

Regular meeting of Potsdam Tent No. 238 K. O. T. M. this Wednesday evening at 8 o'clock. Preparations for the annual meeting and installation of officers will be made at this time and a large attendance is desired.

Last Thursday at Beechertown, Dan and Peter Sullivan, Jud Regan and Stanley Wolf cut down, sawed, split and piled 17 cords of 16 inch stove wood in eight hours. Seven years ago four men from Beechertown cut 16 cords, but we have not heard of this record being beaten until this winter.

The annual catalogue of St. Lawrence University has just been issued and indicates a flourishing condition. There are 17 members of the Faculty of Letters and Science and the roster of students shows 228 names. Howard S. Bennett, Gerald M. Morgan and Charlotte M. Roach are Potsdam students in attendance there.

Last Friday a day of pouring rain was succeeded by a drop in the temperature, snow and a howling gale. A peculiar feature was the fact that the barometer dropped to the lowest point ever recorded here, in many instances below what the instrument would register. The same phenomenon occurred all over the state, indicating a tremendous depression over the entire section.

The death of Harold LeGraft occurred at his home on Walnut Street Thursday, after a week's illness of pneumonia. He was 24 years of age. For several years he has been in the employ of Mr. O. P. Benson. Funeral services were held Saturday morning at St. Mary's Church. He is survived by his wife, his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank LaGraft, three brothers, George, Will and Arthur and four sisters, Mabel, Mrs. H. D. Jenack, Mrs. Geo. Narrow and Mrs. Gus Baxter.

Mr. Harry W. McCall, for the past 30 years proprietor of the McCall House at Madrid, dropped dead Friday night at 5 o'clock while hitching a team of horses in his barn. His family heard a strange noise in the stable and upon going to investigate found the hotel man dead on the floor. It is supposed that his death was due to a sudden attack of heart failure. Mr. McCall was about 55 years of age and had spent his whole life in Madrid. As the proprietor of the village hotel he was known far and near.

Mr. McCall was a man of genial and kindly temperament and was very popular with the traveling public. He is survived by his widow and two young sons, also two brothers and a sister. His brother, John, lives in Madrid and another brother, Fred, and his sister live in Watertown. Mr. McCall was well known in Potsdam, having married Miss Nellie Parker, a sister of Mrs. G. J. Lemón.

Dr. W. E. Collins, O. D., the eye-sight specialist, visited friends in Gouverneur Sunday.

Miss Lavina Gaultkins, of Mexico, formerly head milliner at Duffy-Rivers Co., who spent the New Year holidays in town, the guest of friends, returned home on Monday last.

Mr. S. A. Redway and Mr. George Hitchcock, who went to the Ogdensburg Hospital for operations a week ago, are recovering nicely and are expected home next week.

Rev. W. H. Markham of Ogdensburg, District Superintendent of the Methodist Episcopal Church for this district, occupied the pulpit of the M. E. Church here on Sunday evening last. His sermon was greatly enjoyed by the large audience assembled and he will always be a welcome visitor.

Supervisors O. V. Veitch, M. H. Ross and H. A. Olmstead were in Canton last week taking an inventory of the county jail. The newly elected Sheriff, Mr. Thad P. Day assumed office Jan. 1st and Mr. Veitch, M. H. Ross and H. A. Olmstead, succeeding Mr. Chas. B. Walker, who has served in a highly efficient manner for two terms.

The next regular meeting of the Moral Leaders' section of the Fort-nightly Club will be held Monday evening, Jan. 13 at the home of Mrs. Jay White, Pierrepont Ave. The subject of the evening is "Mars' Auld Sir." There will be two papers, "Character, Life and Reign of Marcus Aurelius," by Mr. Day; "Epictetus," by Miss Knowles. The discussion will be in charge of Miss Marion Forsythe. The ladies of the section met for reading Wednesday afternoon January 8, with Mrs. Keenan, Washington street.

A reception in honor of Mr. and Mrs. Jesse T. Wait was held at his home at Riverside farm last Saturday night with about 50 present. Music and cards were indulged in, a good social time was enjoyed by all, light refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. Wait were the recipients of many valuable and useful presents consisting of silver, china, money, etc. Mrs. Wait is a very accomplished and charming young lady. Mr. Wait is well liked and favored by all in this vicinity and we all wish them much happiness and joy on seas matrimonial. Mr. and Mrs. Wait will reside at his Riverside home for the coming year.

A joint installation of the officers of St. Lawrence Chapter, Racket River Lodge F. & A. M., and Vega Chapter O. E. S. was held in Masonic Hall on Thursday, Jan. 2, 1913. Dr. F. T. Swin installed the following officers: Vega Chapter, assisted by Mrs. Anna Reynolds as Marshal; Mrs. E. C. White, W. Matron; Mrs. Ella Murray, A. Matron; Mrs. Nellie B. Lewis, Treasurer; Mrs. Ruth G. Keenan, Secretary; Mrs. Margaret Landon, Conductor; Mrs. Bertha Ball, A. Conductor; Mrs. Cora Bacon, Chap.; Mrs. Clara Wright, Mar. Mrs. Julia D. Fox, Hist.; Miss Ruth Lewis, Organist; Mrs. Johanna May, Adm.; Mrs. Jessie Rivers, Ruth; Mrs. May McEwen, Esther; Mrs. Ruth Perry, Maria; Mrs. Marion Sanford, Electa; Mrs. Manie White, Warder; Mr. Henry Papaw, Sentinel; Mrs. Georgiana Lee, Trustee.

The regular meeting of directors of the Northern New York Development League, usually held the first Thursday in January, will convene on Jan. 30 at Canton, being held during Farmers' week in that village. As in former years the league will interest itself in passage of bills affecting the welfare of the North Country. One important act which the league will endeavor to secure is legislation authorizing an appropriation to provide improvements for the State Normal School at Potsdam. A resolution to this end was adopted by the league at its Tupper Lake meeting Aug. 28 and in accordance with action at that time, considerable work is now being done to bring about the passage of a bill to enable the state to render financial aid to counties establishing farm bureaus. Good roads, forestry, water storage, canals and other legislative matters of benefit to Northern New York will occupy the attention of the league the coming year.

Mr. Lowen E. Ginn was in Albany recently arguing an important case before the court of Appeals. Seeing Mr. Ginn in Albany reminded us of a visit he paid to the Albany Club some few years ago in company with the Messrs. Sisson, Mr. Merritt and other Potsdamers. They all gathered around the Club fireplace and being conversant with the club in his own line, the Potsdamers were all persuaded to sing a song or tell a story, which they did in a manner that won much and prolonged applause. A couple of gentlemen from a neighboring city were present and as one of them possessed some talent in the musical line he was prevailed upon by his friend to render a sonata on the piano. When the deed was over the admiring friend turned proudly to Mr. Ginn and asked "What do you think of his execution?" "I favor it," promptly replied Lowen, and the coolness that ensued chilled the water in the radiators on the second floor.

Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Maynard, who are spending the winter in Santa Barbara, Calif., find it a delightful place to live in. Mr. Maynard writes: "We have now been in Santa Barbara nearly two weeks. It is a very different country than that of Northern New York. Earth, air, trees, flowers, buildings and methods of building are all different. The earth is dust, no grit. The air is clear and although it freezes nearly every other night, a very unusual thing here, the air is so clear you feel the heat of the sun the minute you get in its rays and it warms you. The full moon is most brilliant, it pales the stars, and the nights are very bright. Only pines and willows look natural, though I had seen the sycamores in New Jersey. The flowers we tend with such care in the green hedges grow wild and uncultivated out of doors. More than half the buildings, private and public are one story, without cellars, and what a Northern man would regard as foundations. They have had but one rain this season, that accounts for the un-usual cold nights. When it begins to rain we will have no more cold nights. This city is little known in Northern New York or more would come here rather than San Diego."

The executive committee of the No-License League will meet in the Methodist Church at 8:30 p. m. on Thursday.

Miss Ethel Miles, a graduate of the Potsdam Normal School in the class of June 1911, who has been teaching in the Canton Union School the past term, has resigned her position to accept a more lucrative one as Assistant Kindergarten Teacher in the Deaf Mute Institute at Malone. Miss Miles is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Miles of this village, and left for Malone last week to assume her duties.

The Northern New York Corn Growers' Association, of which Wm. H. Daniels of Ogdensburg is president, will convene at Canton on January 27, with sessions each day until February 1. The annual meeting of this Northern New York organization will be held in connection with Farmers' Week at the School of Agriculture, St. Lawrence University. Special premiums will be offered by the Franklin, Lewis and St. Lawrence county Pomona Granges and prizes will be offered for the best exhibit of corn. Most of the money to be used for premiums has been pledged by individuals and Granges. The Association expects liberal prizes will be paid this year as in the past, but the definite amount is not known at present.

George R. C. Smith. On Monday morning, January 6th, 1913, occurred the death of Mr. Geo. R. C. Smith at his apartments at the Potsdam Club. About a week ago Mr. Smith contracted a severe cold, which developed into pneumonia with fatal results.

George Royal Canfield Smith was the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Smith, and was born in the residence now owned by Mr. A. L. Lockwood on Elm street, in June, 1844. Some years later the family home on Upper Elm street was purchased, and Mr. Smith lived there until a few years ago.

After receiving an education in St. Lawrence Academy and Geneva High School Mr. Smith returned to Potsdam and went into the clothing business with his father. After the death of the latter and the closing up of the business, Mr. Smith took up insurance and worked up a nice business.

About 1887 he was appointed Postmaster of Potsdam, serving one term, and he also served several years as the Treasurer of the R. V. & St. R. V. Society. He always took considerable interest in musical matters and was prominent in the organization and management of Potsdam's Musical Festivals.

Mr. Smith was a man of natural intelligence and refinement, of unusually cheerful disposition, courteous and affable, and had a wide circle of acquaintances and friends throughout this section.

He was the last remaining member of the family, his parents and only brother Calvin having died many years ago.

Funeral services were held at the home of the Potsdam Club Tuesday afternoon, Rev. F. B. Cowan conducting the services. Burial was made in the family lot.

A FINE RECITAL. A most pleasing recital was that given by Miss Gladys Hawkins in the M. E. Church Monday evening. Miss Hawkins possesses a warm musical temperament. Her touch is beautifully pearly. Each number of the program was artistically rendered. Especially artistic was her interpretations of the smaller numbers. Miss Hawkins is to be heartily congratulated on her success. The programme follows:

Organ Concerto (Arranged for Piano), Fr. Bach-Stradal; Maestose e Pesante, Figa, Largo, Finale. Minuet, Beethoven.

Berceuse, Little Bird, Greig. Scherzo, Wehle.

Hungarian Etude, McDowell. Song without Words (No. 30), Men delsson.

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