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LOCAL NEWS



A large new Hall safe was placed in the postoffice on Saturday.

The barber shops will close on Tuesday and Friday evenings of each week at 6 o'clock.

The ideal skating rink will be transformed into a moving picture house early in May.

Jefferson Roberts is planning the erection of a dwelling house on his lot on West Main street.

The village trustees will hold weekly meetings on Friday evening of each week until further notice.

The pupils of Miss Sadie Sweeney's music class will give a recital at Miss Sweeney's home on Thursday evening of this week.

Oliver, Spellman & English have received a car load of seed oats. Good oats are pretty scarce this spring, better get yours now.

Alterations are being made to Oliver, Spellman & English's store at the depot by the erection of a new office on the east side of the building.

W. L. Doige is temporarily acting as station agent at Burke, taking the place of A. Pillings, who is confined to the house with a severe attack of rheumatism.

Customs officers Thayer and McGregor made a seizure of about 400 bushels of oats from Clinton parties on Friday. The duty on this community is 15 cents per bushel.

The many friends of J. S. Peake were pleased to see him on the streets again, after being laid up for the past two weeks with a broken ankle. John says, "sure" everything looks natural.

The concert and dance given by Zita's Orchestra of Albany on Wednesday evening was a grand success, both socially and financially. The concert in the opera house was greeted by a good sized audience and about 125 couples attended the dance. The music furnished by this famous orchestra was the best ever heard in town and will long be remembered as one of the most enjoyable and successful dances ever held here. The committee in charge are to be congratulated upon the success of their venture.

The High School will close on Friday of this week for the Easter vacation, which this year is a week later than usual, and will commence on Tuesday, April 23. The faculty will spend their vacations as follows: Prin. and Mrs. Lambertson, Ogdensburg; Miss Johnson, Crown Point; Miss Hackett, Elmira; Miss McCarthy, Plattsburgh; Miss Daily, New York; Miss MacDonald, Miss Heffernan, Miss White and Miss McCann will remain in town, Miss Mannix, Malone; Miss Lobb, Cherrubino; Miss Smith, Plattsburgh.

Mrs. Catherine McHardy, who has been in poor health for the past six months, died at the home of her father, Patrick Bradshaw, on Tuesday evening of this week, aged 43 years. On Tuesday of last week she suffered a stroke of paralysis and coming as it did in her weakened condition, she had not the vitality to recover from the shock and gradually grew worse until death relieved her from her sufferings. Mrs. McHardy was well known and highly respected and loved and esteemed by all who knew her. Upon the death of her husband, about five years ago, she moved from Manchester to the home of her father. She leaves to mourn her loss, besides her father, four brothers and three sisters. Funeral services will be held at St. Patrick's church this (Friday) morning at 10 o'clock.

In addition to attending to his many other duties, Village President Beman finds time to care for as fine a flock of hens as one would wish to look at, his specialties being Black Minorcas and Buff Wyandottes. Recently an item appeared in these columns mentioning the receipt at this office of a mammoth egg which had been brought in for exhibition, and this announcement caused Mr. Beman to sit up and take notice, as he had up to that time made some pretensions at producing good sized "fruit." He bided his time, however, and on Monday of this week he "came back" at us good and plenty, when he brought in a dozen of eggs from the gathering of the Saturday previous which weighed two pounds and four ounces. This bunch was certainly a most handsome collection of eggs and it is indeed a rare occurrence where an equal number of eggs of so uniform a size and of such weight could be gathered in one day.

PERSONAL ITEMS.

Plymon Munsil, of Ellenburgh Depot, was a visitor in town on Tuesday.

Miss Mary Philips returned to New York on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Floyd J. English spent Sunday in Ogdensburg.

Dr. and Mrs. E. F. Prarie spent Easter with relatives in Brasher Falls.

Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Fitzpatrick spent Easter with relatives in Plattsburgh.

Miss Margaret Rowan, of Watertown visited with friends in this village over Sunday.

Misses Margaret and Mary Lindlay returned on Tuesday to their home in Boston.

G. A. Tobin and P. W. Quinlin made a business trip to Tupper Lake yesterday.

Mrs. Fred Warren, of Plattsburgh, is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Powers were Easter guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. J. Rice in Malone.

Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Gokey visited with relatives in Plattsburgh during the week.

A. W. Cowan and W. H. Hinchman went to Syracuse on Tuesday on a business trip.

E. J. Laporte, of Danbury, N. H., arrived in town on Monday for a few days' visit.

T. Arthur Oliver and W. B. Spellman made a business trip to Norwood on Wednesday.

Miss Anna Cooney and Master John Cooney, of Malone, visited in town during the week.

Mrs. Ann Carlisle, of Malone, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Rose Wright.

Mrs. Jacob Lambertson, of Mooers Forks, is the guest of Prin. and Mrs. H. H. Lambertson.

Mrs. Charles Otis, of Lake Clear, visited with relatives and friends in town during the week.

J. H. English and W. W. Lambertson, of Brainardville, transacted business in Mooers on Monday.

Gerald Ryan, who has been employed in a store at Piercefield for the past few months, has returned home.

Miss Maud Lockery, of the Ellenburgh Depot high school faculty, was a visitor in town on Saturday.

Gertrude and Herman Sweeney, of St. Albans, are guests of their grandmother, Mrs. Mary Sweeney.

Linton Sanford, of Watertown, was the guest over Sunday of his grand mother, Mrs. B. J. McCann.

Miss Anastasia Harrica, of Lyon Mountain, is the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Margaret Harrica.

J. M. Bradshaw, of Brooklyn, was in town during the week, called here by the death of his sister, Mrs. McHardy.

George P. Whittemore and Henry Titus are spending the week visiting friends in various points in Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Priest and Miss Elsie Wilson, of Malone, were guests of Henry W. Hill and wife over Sunday.

Leighton Douglas, a student of the University of Vermont, was the guest last week of his sister, Mrs. Leroy Bush.

Rev. H. W. Davis, of Brainardville, left on Tuesday for the annual conference of the M. E. church being held in Herkimer.

Van Manger, of the St. Lawrence University, spent the Easter vacation at the home of grandmother, Mrs. W. S. Alvord.

Mr. and Mrs. C. M. Brooks who have been visiting friends for the past week returned to their home in St. Albans on Tuesday.

Mrs. Margaret Shay, of Brovidence, R. I., arrived in town on Tuesday, called here by the illness of her sister, Mrs. Kate McHardy.

Mrs. James Murphy, Mrs. A. B. Cooney and Mrs. M. H. McGarraban, of Malone, were the guests of Mrs. D. W. Keefe last week.

Margaret B. Lancto, who spent the Easter vacation at her home in this village returned to the Potsdam Normal on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Coughlin, who have been the guests of John Daskin and family, returned to their home in Carthage on Saturday.

Dr. and Mrs. F. M. Green and son Merton, of St. Regis Falls, were the guests over Sunday of Dr. Green's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Green.

TO BUILD MODEL CITY FARMS

A \$100,000,000 Syndicate to Develop Power on the St. Lawrence River.

Readers of THE RECORD will doubtless be surprised to learn and interested in the fact that a model city is planned to be built almost within sight of Chateaugay, and that a syndicate with a capital of \$100,000,000 is behind the enterprise. The building of this city is in connection with a huge project that is being promoted by a syndicate of English capitalists, who are planning to harness the rapids of the Oeders, the Cascades and Contean, on the St. Lawrence river, almost directly north from Chateaugay and at a distance of between thirty and forty miles from this village.

When we say that the proposed city will be "almost within sight of Chateaugay," we state that which is a true condition, as on bright, clear days it is possible from good vantage points about the village to secure a splendid view of the St. Lawrence river along the points mentioned where the rapids exist, and with the aid of a field glass it is easy to distinguish crafts on the river.

The plans of the syndicate contemplate developing the power for manufacturing purposes, and the information at hand is to the effect that the project is well under way, with prospects of an early beginning of work. The city is to be modern, model and scientific in every detail, with parks, playgrounds, docks, and ideal water, sewer and street systems.

It is impossible to form even an exaggerated estimate of the great value the completion of this mammoth enterprise would mean to the territory lying north from Chateaugay in Canada, but we hope that the fullest development of the great enterprise may be an assured fact.

FARM NOTES

Many Rentals Are Noted This Spring—Other Items.

Numerous farm rentals are reported from Bellmont this spring, and among these the leasing of Edmund Gokey's farm has already been noted. Merton Genaway has leased the Williamson's farm and occupied the house on the former property. Daniel Genaway who has been a tenant on the Cyrus Harwood farm, has leased Mrs. Mary A. Hill's farm for the coming year. Reed Bros. will operate the Frank Winkley farm of 570 acres under lease this season.

J. Bert Kirby has rented his farm to Ernest Titus for the coming year, and the latter is now in possession.

Dairy cows were sold at prices ranging from \$40 to \$68 a head at the auction sale of Edmund Gokey's personal property recently held at Belmont Center.

R. E. Wirth has rented his farm in the north part of the town to John Stitfer.

George Hoy has leased his farm at Ellenburgh Depot and has removed to Brainardville.

The auction sale held at A. G. Roby's farm at North Burke was well attended and the property offered sold at good prices. The cows averaged about \$60—\$70 being the highest price paid. The stock was in good condition.

Richard Ryan has sold his farm on the Ryan road in Clinton to John Bradshaw. The farm contains 140 acres of land and the purchase price was \$5,000. Mr. Bradshaw and his brother Edward were joint owners of a farm in the town of Ellenburgh, and the former's interest in the property has been purchased by Edward Bradshaw.

John Welch is now the owner of a fine team of heavy work horses weighing in the neighborhood of 2,800 pounds. It is reported that a farmer residing in South Malone refused an offer of \$1.40 per bushel for a lot of 1,100 bushels of potatoes that are now stored in his cellar. He is holding for \$1.50 per bushel.

P. C. Ryan, who has been in Plattsburgh for the past year, has returned to his farm in the town of Clinton. M. J. Darmody, who has been a tenant on the farm, expects to remove to the Canada Northwest.

Eight thousand maple trees have been tapped on Miner's Heart's Delight farm in Chazy.

Farmers throughout this section complain of an unusual shortage of seed grains of all kinds this spring, this being especially so as regards to seed oats, this crop being a failure last season owing to the long dry spell when grains should have been growing. In some instances an apparently large yield was in prospect, but after threshing it was found that the kernels consisted mostly of chaff and consequently this product was of little value for feeding purposes and entirely useless as seed stock. This unusual condition has made it necessary to seek outside markets for seed oats and several carloads have been brought in by dealers, who are retailing the same at 80 cents per bushel. Heretofore local farmers have been able to supply the demand, but in this case, as in many others, conditions have changed, and instead of being producers they are now purchasers. A general belief among farmers is that "clipped oats" are not as good for seed as other kinds, claiming that they do not germinate as readily and consequently do not possess the same value as the whole oats. This belief is hardly borne out by an experiment made with some of the clipped variety brought here to be disposed of for seed purposes. This experiment consisted of the planting of 100 kernels, and in due course of time every one of these kernels had germinated and were growing as rapidly and as hardily as any variety of local seed. Seed corn will also be in active demand when the season arrives for planting, and already inquiries are being received by local dealers as to the prospects for securing sufficient seed for planting. Should the present high prices for potatoes continue there is also a likelihood of a shortage of this product for seed, as many who now have stock on hand will be inclined to sell themselves short and thus place almost a prohibitive price on tubers for seed.

Rev. C. O. Townsend formerly pastor of the M. E. church at Malone and for the past six years superintendent of the St. Lawrence district has been elected president of the Folt Institute in Herkimer, N. Y., and will take up his residence in that city.

A SUCCESSFUL PLAY.

A Well-Presented Drama Given by the Pupils of High School.

True to the spirit of loyalty Chateaugay people have always shown in the matter of supporting home institutions and home talent entertainments, a good sized audience greeted the High School pupils on Monday evening when they presented the "Merchant of Venice" (up-to-date.) When we say a "good sized" audience we take into consideration the contrast between the old and the new opera house. If the same number of people had been crowded into the old hall there would not have been standing room and we would have spoken of the audience as "immense," but although the seating capacity of the new play house is more than double that of the old, and while three-fourths of the seats were occupied, the gathering did not seem as large as a lesser one would have had it been crowded into a smaller space. The receipts of the evening were over \$150, or nearly as much as was ever taken in for two evenings under former conditions. Another contrast which appealed most pleasingly to those who had taken part in former entertainments on the old stage was the scenery. Whereas it used to tax the ingenuity of the entire company and four carpenters to get together one or two scenes, there is now everything necessary right at hand, the only trouble being that in takes someone with professional talent to choose the best from such an abundance of good things.

During the past two weeks the pupils who made up the cast worked hard rehearsing for what was to nearly all of them, their first appearance before the footlights. They were very faithful and prompt at these rehearsals and deserve much credit for their consistent labor. The faculty, also, took a deep interest in the endeavor to make everything as nearly perfect as possible, and especially is this true of Prof. Lambertson and Miss Heffernan, who worked like Trojans both during the rehearsals and on the evening of the play. The former pulled off his coat and shifted scenery like an old stage hand, while the latter exercised her skill with powder and paint in "making up" the young ladies. Making up is a very important factor in any dramatic production, and here again the difference between the old and the new is very apparent. On former occasions, with the stage and audience so near each other care had to be exercised that the lines were not too heavy or the cheeks too red, but now the fault is apt to be reversed. However, the make up on Monday evening was excellent, and in some cases perfect.

The play itself was a bright bit of comedy—an old, Shakespearian drama brought down to fit modern times, and presented something of mirthfulness in each feature. Among the large number of pupils attending our school it was a difficult matter to choose the ones who could best fit the different characters in the cast, especially when only a few had ever attempted any such a role before, and while without a doubt there were other students in the school who could have done as well, the ones chosen were plenty good enough. We have not heard a person who was present speak anything but words of praise for any and all of the players. There were no criticisms made for the simple reason that there was nothing to criticize. The acting of each was free, easy and graceful, and every word spoken during the entire production could be distinctly understood in any part of the theatre. In our limited space we cannot give to each participant his or her full share of praise, and yet, as all did so nobly, we feel that a word or so of individual mention was well earned.

The Duke of Venice was the roll assumed by John Dwyer, and while this part was short it was important, and Mr. Dwyer adapted himself to the character like a real duke of the blood royal. Arthur Duffy made his second bow to the public as an actor man, the first being some two years ago in "Behind the Flag," therefore everyone expected him to be "all to the good," and as Antonio in Monday night's production he not only did not disappoint his friends but surpassed his former excellent work.

Dan Powers, as Bassanio, uphold the high reputation of his family as stars of the amateur stage. He not only did the lines of his part splendidly but showed invention in bridging over any little pauses which occur in all productions.

In assigning the character of Gratiano to Karl Goodspeed no mistake was made, as he carried the role through to perfection from beginning to end of the piece.

The character of Shylock was a difficult one but not too much so for Irwin

SWADDLE, WHO PROVED HIMSELF A YOUNG MAN OF MARKED ABILITY AND WE EXTEND HIM OUR HEARTY CONGRATULATIONS.

Tubal, a friend of Shylock's and a mighty ball captain, was Olin Johnson's part to carry through, and he was the right man in the right place. He spoke his lines distinctly, suppressed Shylock's schemes of revenge and in the foot ball sense he hit the line like a Princeton Tiger.

Beymer Brown, as Lancelot Gobbo, was the "seemly man" and kept the audience in a continuous roar of laughter every moment on the stage. It is an old saying that "it is a smart man to play the fool," therefore Mr. Brown must possess more than the average amount of "gray matter."

As a professor of x-ray photography, Dedrick Van Aken both looked and acted the part, while Warren Lookery as a policeman would have done credit to New York's "finest." Both parts were short, but the boys who took them were all right in every particular.

Elizabeth Campbell was the "leading lady" in the character of Portia and no better choice could have been made. It would have taken a Billy Burke to have enacted that part any better than did this charming young lady, and the same can be said of Miss Ruth Thurber, who had the part of Nerissa.

As Jessica, Shylock's rich ward, Miss Florence Douglas captivated the audience and delighted her friends with her good work.

Miss Dora Patnode is so charming a young lady to ever become an "old maid," but she did enact the part of one in an excellent manner in the character of Miss Abbie S. Thredloe, a sharp-eyed teacher.

Miss Mary Gauthier had two characters to impersonate, first as "Polly, Portia's maid," and second as Antonio's mother, and she did credit to both, winning the praise and congratulations of all present.

Miss Margaret Horar had a short but difficult role to enact as Mrs. Gobbo, but she was equal to the occasion and we have heard many people remark that "Margaret was absolutely perfect."

The specialties were excellent and that the audience appreciated them was evident by the hearty applause and repeated encores each number received. The high reputation as vocalists maintained by Miss Mary L. Nolan and C. W. Harries needs no comment by us, it being needless to say that both added to the laurels already gained. Miss Agnes V. McCarthy made her first appearance before a Chateaugay audience and won high praise. This young lady has a splendid voice and thoroughly understands how to use it to the best musical advantage. Everyone appreciates a little "Cleon song" once in a while, therefore Mr. Frank Greimore, with his black and white face and a banjo on his knee had to come back five times before the audience was satisfied. Mrs. Ward Mitchell and Miss Mary Nolan also furnished excellent music with violin and piano. Prin. Lambertson gave a short talk in his announcement which all thoroughly enjoyed. In fact everyone present was delighted with the entire entertainment and we congratulate all connected with the "Merchant of Venice" Up-to-Date.

Annual School Meeting.

Notice is hereby given that the annual school meeting of District No. 1, town of Chateaugay, Franklin county, N. Y., will be held at the school building on Tuesday the 7th day of May, 1912, at 7:30 p. m., for the purpose of making the necessary appropriations for the current year; the election of a trustee to succeed E. S. Duffy, whose term of office expires; and for the transaction of such other business as may properly come before the meeting.

The following is an estimated statement of the money necessary to be raised by taxation for school purposes for the ensuing school year, exclusive of public moneys, to wit:

Teachers wages	\$376.00
Incidentals	20.00
Printing	65.00
Repairs	80.00
Fuel and Lights	80.00
Supplies	75.00
Books and Apparatus	75.00
Water Tax	40.00
Janitor and Trustee Office	515.00
Clerk	50.00
Bonds and Interest	175.00
Furniture	100.00
	\$5,674.00

E. S. DUFFY,
President Board of Education.
T. J. FITZPATRICK, Clerk.

Notice to Settle.

As I expect to return to Florida in a few weeks and will need a large amount of cash to pay for property that I have purchased in that state I desire to have a settlement with all who have an account with me.

G. W. FOSTER.

Jury Drawing.

Notice is hereby given that on Saturday the 13th day of April, 1912, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, at the clerk's office in the village of Malone, N. Y., the names of the thirty persons or the number required by law, will be drawn to serve as Petit Jurors at the next term of the County Court, to be held at the court house in the village of Malone, in and for the county of Franklin, on the 1st Monday of April next, which is April 29th, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

Dated Malone, April 6th, 1912.
HARRY B. HAWLEY Clerk.

Business Notices.

I very much desire a settlement of all accounts this spring and I earnestly urge all who are owing me to call and adjust their account without delay, as I have need of the money to pay my own bills.

ELLA S. SMITH.

Bishop Gabriels, of Ogdensburg, is planning to leave on May 28 for Europe where he will visit the Pope.

Owing to the congestion in room one at the High School the following plan has been decided upon, to take effect after the vacation. All pupils in Miss White's room who have attended regularly during the whole year, and have done satisfactory work to warrant promotion in June, will attend mornings only. All others will attend afternoons only. Those who expect to enter the first grade next fall, and attend regularly throughout the year, should register now in the afternoon session. We regret that such is necessary, but it seems to be the best method under existing circumstances.

BROOKS RUN BRIMMING OVER

Floods Wash Over the Village Streets—Considerable Damage Done.

Not in many years had there been such a flood water in the village streets as that which followed the thaw of last Friday. The usually placid Bailey brook became a rushing river, which overflowed its banks, and at the culvert on Depot street the brook swept over the railroad track to the depth of a foot or more. A part of this torrent found its way down Depot street, but the greater volume followed the natural course of the stream and a small lake was formed where the brook crosses West Main street, making it necessary for pedestrians to don rubber boots in order to navigate the street. The most serious damage, however, resulted on Belle avenue, where a section of the cement walk was undermined and the road so badly gullied that it became necessary to close the street to public traffic until repairs could be made.

The Chateaugay river "boomed" as it has not done in years, and General Manager Bort said that at about three o'clock on Friday afternoon the river had reached the highest point he had known since the pulp mill was erected. Boardman brook also went on a rampage, and many claim they never before knew of such a volume of water in that brook. The flume leading from the pond to C. L. Sancomb's mill was damaged to a considerable extent, entailing a loss which Mr. Sancomb estimates at about \$300. During the night the waters subsided and on Saturday the streams were but little above normal condition.

Trustees Meet.

The Board of Education held a meeting on Tuesday evening at the office of the clerk, at which time the estimates for the coming year were made out and other business transacted. It was brought before the meeting that new floors were needed in some of the rooms but the matter was left for a future meeting. It is understood that so far as is known the present efficient faculty of the school will be engaged for the next school year.

At the annual school meeting to be held in May a trustee to succeed E. S. Duffy, whose term will terminate this year will be elected. Mr. Duffy has been on the board for the past nine years and for the past five years has been its president, and the citizens of this village will make no mistake in choosing him for another term as he has been a conservative and painstaking official. The call for the annual meeting will be found in another column.

The first degree will be exemplified to a number of candidates at the regular meeting of Wadhams Council, K of C, next Thursday evening. The meeting will open at 9 o'clock.