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EDITORIAL LETTER.

DEAR GAZETTE!

The democratic table in the House are still in the direst perplexity. The prudent men of their own party are striving in every way to repress and suppress the determination of the less discreet to press forward the Florida investigations. In other words no one has been found courageous enough to hold down the heels of that male, and to thus far, no attempt has been made to inaugurate the great Presidential Investigation.

The principal gifts received were the groom's present of a necklace and bracelets of diamonds worth \$5,000, a gold horse shoe set of diamonds from a near friend, diamond earrings and breast-pin from Gen. Sherman and a check for \$5,000 from Secretary Cameron, and a number of articles of gold and silver to the amount of not far from \$10,000.

At the 2d M. E. Church. Mrs. VanCott continues her meetings at this church, and they seem to be constantly increasing in interest. She talks every afternoon and evening, and conducts numerous special meetings. The attendance has been large, and shows no indication of falling off.

On Sunday last she was present at the Sunday School session, and Sup. Adams, after a one hundred children rose for prayers, and jointly fifty-five gave in their names to the church on probation—making 92 probationists in all, from the Sunday school. The school is in a very flourishing condition, having 407 names on the rolls.

The subject upon in the Senate when it adjourned yesterday to Monday, was the Bankruptcy law which it repealed, and finally expiring. Senator Eaton in an off-hand speech sustained the Thurman amendment fixing the time at the first of January, 1879.

At St. Mary's Church, Sunday morning, a Grand Social was given at the residence of four priests here in attendance. The music to be had been fine. Father Albino and the Passionist Fathers of Hoboken have commenced a series of meetings which will be continued for two weeks. Services every day at 5 and 8 a. m., and 7 1/2 p. m.

A delegation from Diamond Lodge of New York City, is expected to visit our Brothers' Lodge, I. O. O. F., of the Borough, next Monday evening.

On Thursday noon, the First Congregational church was the scene of one of the most brilliant social events of the season—the marriage of Miss Fannie M. Bissel, daughter of Rev. S. B. Bissel, of this place, and Mr. Theodore Cuyler Patterson, a young lawyer of Philadelphia, Pa. The day was not a democratic one, but the bride did not prevent the assembling of a large audience to witness the proceedings.

Clously in the East, but no war yet.

Memorial Day.

The committee appointed to make arrangements and complete the details for a proper observance of Decoration Day, by the holding on Wednesday, May 22nd, of a grand funeral in the City of Norwalk, in accordance with the call published in the GAZETTE last week.

The telegraph reports show and see, Sunday, in various parts of the country. The Providence Light House, three hundred strong, will arrive Hartford June 12. Another festival is now to be given for the benefit of the So. Norwalk Union School.

Mr. Joseph Bagin is building his new store on Franklin street, of brick. So far the early spring has not been favorable for the ice cream trade.

General Grant has arrived in Paris. He visited the big show Saturday. The committee on Flowers was appointed as follows: Borough—Mrs. A. H. Blynton, Mrs. W. A. Kellogg, Mrs. Geo. W. Raymond, Mrs. E. S. Wilcox, Mrs. Henry Kellogg, Mrs. C. F. Loomis, Mrs. H. W. Balder, Mrs. Edwin Northrop, Mrs. J. L. Ambley, Mrs. Jasper Berry, Mrs. Theodore Harrison, Miss Mary Betts, Mrs. W. A. Fowell, Mrs. O. K. Scofield, City, Mrs. James W. Russell, Mrs. C. F. DeJoy, Miss Belle Wood, Mrs. C. F. Hall, Miss Florence C. Hall, Mrs. J. C. Town, Mrs. James L. Hodges, Miss Addie Reed.

Mr. Lynes has removed his front fence. His fine lawn shows better advantage, and the general effect is pleasing. The high bank is a simple protection. Strawberries are again making their appearance in market. When the weather warms up a little the people will feel more like indulging in their use.

Rev. Mr. Booie wants his people to understand that he preaches "rain or shine." He evidently does not like talking to empty benches every time it rains. Carpenter Brothers, of Port Chester, are furnishing the Byram blue stone—same as that of St. Mary's church,—for C. A. Dana's new residence on Long Island City.

The first of the season is advertised to take place at the Meadow-Side Park, Milford, on Wednesday, the 12th of June. Full particulars will be found in the advertisement. The Messrs. Durt, the new landlords of the Norwalk Hotel, are making some alterations and improvements in the building, and getting the Hotel into good shape for summer business.

Four of the steamers which left New York last Saturday carried 928 passengers. Brother Jonathan is bound to see the Paria elephant and compare it with the Centaurs. The County Teachers' Association is to be held on Friday and Saturday at Stratford. The boys and girls will probably have an extra play day in order that the teachers may attend.

Baldwin, the New York Clothing man, has opened a new store, corner 10th street and Broadway, but has not given up the old stand corner of Canal street and Broadway. See his adv. As stated in our last, Rev. Mr. Hamilton arrived home from his far West last week Monday and Saturday at Stratford. He was accompanied by his wife and two children. There was a beautiful display of flowers, in honor of the return of the Pastor.

Letters From You.

MESSRS EDITORS:—Will you kindly suggest to the ladies in some of our churches—do we not know if it is the custom in all of them,—the propriety of seating persons during morning prayer? To those who desire to join in prayer while the minister presents the united prayers of the congregation, the wearing of a most becoming and self-protective to resist the inclination to observe who is passing in especially if squeaking shoes and an elaborate toilet call attention to the late-comer. Is it not the proper thing to do, for all who must be late, to wait by the door till the prayer is ended? BLESSINGS.

While the goodly people of the borough were assembling in the various churches, located on the Green, last Sunday evening, a most shocking desecration of a day and hour was witnessed by them. A number of boisterous drunken ruffians who were out on a Sunday spree, raced their teams through the streets, shouting and yelling to the fullest capacity of their lungs. A similar scene transpired at the close of the service at the M. E. church, and the parties committing the outrage seemed to take delight in the noisy and disorderly behavior of the immoderate vicinity of the church. Will the immediate people submit to such violations of the law. Let the authorities instruct the police to promptly arrest any such offender, and impose upon them the heaviest penalty possible.

After a few of the rowdies have had a lesson taught them they will understand that Norwalk is not the place for Sunday horse races; order and quiet will prevail, and decency and order will have their sense of decency properly trampled upon. Where are the Blue Laws (?) it would be well to enforce them on such occasions.

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Fairfield County Items.

RIDGEFIELD. Cool weather. A light frost Sunday evening. Extensive repairs on the Methodist Parsonage have been commenced.

Rev. Mr. Teller exchanged with Rev. Dr. Relyea, of Green's Farm's, last Sunday.

Rev. D. D. Bishop's rectorship of St. Stephen's church ceased last Sabbath.

A large company enjoyed a pleasant evening at the Town House, Monday, the occasion being a surprise to Dr. Todd and lady on the fifth anniversary of their marriage.

A more sociable time was never witnessed in this town. Ives' Band from Danbury furnished the music for a social gathering.

The church closing of a happy evening. The choir was supplied by a multitude of gifts, among which was a very beautiful clock from Georgetown friends.

Who was taken suddenly sick a week or two ago, is, we are glad to hear, fast recovering. The Literary Society met at the residence of Mrs. Banks, Lyon's Plains.

Quite an exodus of Westonsites there was last Monday to the greatest show in the world. Carriages, filled with happy people, there were in abundance and every day.

Friday morning's frost Saturday's mild storm and Sunday's wind, are proofs that fair (7) May's promises and treachery are not many reports apart.

The first strawberry festival of the season will be held on Good Templars' Hall, Sagauk, this (Tuesday) and to-morrow evening.

Proceeds for the benefit of the M. E. church. Though the berries will be sold as cheaply and sweet to the taste as the native article to appear four weeks later.

Mr. and Mrs. Landon Ketchum, daughters, governess, and servants will sail for Europe about June 15th. He for his health—they for observation and pleasure.

Sunday morning Rev. Dr. Sanderson reviewed his five years past as pastor of the Congregational church.

The stores of E. Wheeler and E. H. Nash, grocers, were entered by burglars, who succeeded in obtaining \$30 from the till of one, and about \$5.00 from the other, and made good their escape.

Messrs. E. S. and J. E. Wheeler's living gardens at this early date, speaks eloquently of the virtues of salt water mud applied last as a fertilizer.

At the annual society meeting of the Congregational church, held at the church, May 6th, officers for the year were chosen.

Rev. Mr. Rufus Wakeman, J. D. Staples; Treasurer, B. L. Woodcock; Philomena, C. S. Wakeman, Thos. Taylor; Ushers, W. H. Burr, Jr., T. W. Werner.

The Westport Cornet Band announced that they will parade the streets on the evening of May 21st. The village fire department has been invited to accompany.

One day last week at the Saugatuck Mfg. Co.'s shop, one of Albert Smith's fingers got caught in a shell press.

Right Rev. Bishop Williams visited Christ church Sunday morning, preached, confirmed eight persons and addressed them.

The sermon was preached from Heb. 6th chap., part of second verse.—"The laying on of hands" was an expression of the sacred rite of confirmation.

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WILTON.

We again call attention to the entertainment in honor of Mrs. Samuel Marlow, to be given at Cannon Station on the evening of the 15th inst., and at Fisher's Hall, Bethel, on the 16th.

RAIN, with very chilly weather, has retarded farmers work to some extent, though the country looks really charming and the grass crop promises to be exceptionally good.

Since the old law went into effect, though most of the canines have been duly registered and collared, many have been killed among others that of the town clerk, who found him dead in the woods.

Tom misses his faithful Jack and thinks he was poisoned.—By the way the same Tom begins to sport his uniform, preparatory we suppose, to his summer work at the Institute Hotel.

By appointment and to judge from the activity displayed by Mr. Jarvis' workmen in beautifying his grounds and premises, there will be grand times this summer at the Hotel.—Right Reverend Bishop Williams visited Emmanuel Protestant Episcopal church, Lyon's Plains, last week.

No confirmations.—Mr. Ephraim Fitch who was taken suddenly sick a week or two ago, is, we are glad to hear, fast recovering. The Literary Society met at the residence of Mrs. Banks, Lyon's Plains.

Quite an exodus of Westonsites there was last Monday to the greatest show in the world. Carriages, filled with happy people, there were in abundance and every day.

Friday morning's frost Saturday's mild storm and Sunday's wind, are proofs that fair (7) May's promises and treachery are not many reports apart.

The first strawberry festival of the season will be held on Good Templars' Hall, Sagauk, this (Tuesday) and to-morrow evening.

Proceeds for the benefit of the M. E. church. Though the berries will be sold as cheaply and sweet to the taste as the native article to appear four weeks later.

Mr. and Mrs. Landon Ketchum, daughters, governess, and servants will sail for Europe about June 15th. He for his health—they for observation and pleasure.

Sunday morning Rev. Dr. Sanderson reviewed his five years past as pastor of the Congregational church.

The stores of E. Wheeler and E. H. Nash, grocers, were entered by burglars, who succeeded in obtaining \$30 from the till of one, and about \$5.00 from the other, and made good their escape.

Messrs. E. S. and J. E. Wheeler's living gardens at this early date, speaks eloquently of the virtues of salt water mud applied last as a fertilizer.

At the annual society meeting of the Congregational church, held at the church, May 6th, officers for the year were chosen.

Rev. Mr. Rufus Wakeman, J. D. Staples; Treasurer, B. L. Woodcock; Philomena, C. S. Wakeman, Thos. Taylor; Ushers, W. H. Burr, Jr., T. W. Werner.

The Westport Cornet Band announced that they will parade the streets on the evening of May 21st. The village fire department has been invited to accompany.

One day last week at the Saugatuck Mfg. Co.'s shop, one of Albert Smith's fingers got caught in a shell press.

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For Nervousness, Sleepless Nights. WASHINGTON, D. C., March 12, 1877. Dear Sir—I do not believe in puffing, nor would I induce a husband to buy more than I can justify to speak well of VEGETINE, believing it to be an excellent medicine. I have seen several bottles of it in the hands of my patients who have walked the floor and resorted to different methods for relief, and I have seen them soon as a medicine could relieve a disease of the kind.

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VEGETINE. Kidney Complaints. CHICAGO, O., April 10, 1877. Mr. H. R. STEVENS.—I have suffered several years with the Kidney Complaint, and was induced to try Vegetine. It has done me more good than any other medicine. I can heartily recommend it to all suffering from Kidney Complaints.

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A Post-Nuptial Ode

We used to walk together in the twilight, His whispering tender words so sweet and low...

What our Boys are Reading.

The circular note addressed to the press by President Porter, ex-President Woolsey, ex-Governor English, and several prominent clergymen of New Haven...

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The shocking story of the death in rapid succession of six children of Patrick Murray, of Newport, R. I., by diphtheria...

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A Drummer in Arkansas. The EXPERIENCE OF MR. BISTER. A month or two ago Mr. Alexander Bister was out in Arkansas traveling as a salesman for a Philadelphia house.

When he let go, the other man tapped Mr. Bister's skull a few more times with his pistol, and then the two picked up their victim and soured him in the canal, from which they fished him, a few minutes later, by inserting a boat-hook in the back of his coat.

"Do you look like me?" asked Bister, in a faint voice. "You're as much like me as I wish. It's a 'lundering shame! I hope you'll accept my apology for treating you so impolitely."

"It's a perfect nasal run!" said the man. "Harry, I think you cheated him a little too hard. Why didn't you bite him somewhere else?"

"Certainly," said Bister; "I'll get right up if you'll get me a pair of crutches and a sling for my arm. I'll be glad to give you five cents for the crutches, and I'll be glad to give you five cents for the sling."

"I'm mortified about that nose," said the man. "But if you'll come up to the drug store a minute, I think I can make it hold together somehow with sticking plaster."

"I'll be glad to do it," said Bister, "I'll be glad to do it." "I'll be glad to do it," said Bister, "I'll be glad to do it."