A GREETING TO
THE WINDSOR TOWN CRIER
By JOHN RODEMEYER
Editor of the Connecticut Western News
and Founder of the Bald Head
Club of America.

Who's this, that comes so blithe and gay, and trumpets as he comes, the follies, fads and foibles of our firesides and our homes; who brings the odor of the day of our first settler, reviving the traditions of our for­bears and their Crier; when every act and circumstance that tickled or enthralled, and every joy or anguish was vociferously bawled; when rummage sales, and taxes due, and bog­heads of new rum, invited whom it might concern to don their hats and come; or news that came, of victory that made all hearts rejoice; or words of woe—it all came through that meg­aphonic voice; when every act of malice mean, and every prank and caper that in these later days would go to fill the local paper, was given free as air to all who might have ears to hear, and none could sponge the news from those who took it by the year—those days when facts and rumors, whether murder, theft or fire, were circulated through the lungs of Windsor's old Town Crier. A sterling man the Crier was, an honest man and true, who gave out only what he heard—nor all of what he knew.

And are you he, that takes his name, and eke his occupation? Are you in fact that ancient Crier man's re-incarnation? Then welcome, and God speed you! Wear his mantle and go to it.

Oh, serve his old-time virtues and you'll seldom ever rue it. Cry forth the news that's fit to cry, as he of old did cry it; and make your message fit to buy, that everyone must buy it. Help every local enterprise in which the town takes stock; give here a lift, and there a boost, and here a gentle "knock." To be forever in the right is not in power of man; but have a purpose to be right as often as you can. Try not to please all people, or your craft will come to wreck, for he who strives to please them all will get it in the neck.

It is highly important when a man makes up his mind to be a ras­kall that he shud examine himself closely and see if he ain't better constructed for a phool.—Josh Billings.
Once more a warm glow thrilled Mr. Dinglehopper as he thought of his well-worn and the eight and a half children he hoped soon to see crowding about him as he entered his home with his arms full of Christmas bundles.

Suddenly the Springfield car stopped with startling abruptness and the Asylum Avenue car, and the brakes only worked occasionally anyway, this not being one of the occasions, bumped awkwardly into it. As it struck our heroes, they blazed all to pieces like the Deacon's One-Hoss-Shay—all at once and nothing first. There was no crash. Every separate part that had gone to make up the car settled itself calmly and gently—almost as though it were laying down its bones with a audible sigh of relief upon the ground. The astonished passengers, unhurt, found themselves still sitting upon the familiar cushions, but resting upon what, had it not been for the remarkable orderliness of its arrangement, would have been called a mass of wreckage. When the car had formed the sides sank outwards and the passengers, almost undisturbed upon their now moved seats, so that the component parts of the roof settling down where the aisle of the car had been did not so much as touch one another.

As soon as the situation was realized, a passenger, one of the most prominent and well-known of the Asylum Avenue car, sprang to his feet and after a few brief, well-spoken words of commendation, asked that a rising vote of thanks be given to the Inspector, and proposed to use his club for the purpose. The motorman of the Hartford and Hero's car, who had formed the sides sank outwards and the passengers, almost undisturbed upon their now moved seats, so that the component parts of the roof settling down where the aisle of the car had been did not so much as touch one another.

"Moreover and in addition thereto," added Humphrey, "I desire to call your attention to the fact that as the City of Hartford most wisely taxed the city's luck out of business because they actually had the audacity to compete with the Boston society by carrying more passengers than they had seats for, the Connecticut Company recognized this fact and in ordering the astounding number of 92—(count them)—92 new cars to be distributed throughout the State of Connecticut, thereby providing forever against the possibility of requiring more passengers to stand than can get upon the cars."

This logical appeal to the common-sense of the Inspector fell on heedless ears, however, and the conductor was forced to give the required orders, which he did by shouting: "Everybody have to get off this car! We've been delayed so long that Rainbow Car No. 444 has arrived and is now sitting in front of your drug store."

As the passengers started to disem­bark a loud snore attracted the attention of all the first snore was heard, a passenger, one of the most prominent and well-known of the Asylum Avenue car, and the brakes only worked occasionally anyway, this not being one of the occasions, bumped awkwardly into it. As it struck our heroes, they blazed all to pieces like the Deacon's One-Hoss-Shay—all at once and nothing first. There was no crash. Every separate part that had gone to make up the car settled itself calmly and gently—almost as though it were laying down its bones with a audible sigh of relief upon the ground. The astonished passengers, unhurt, found themselves still sitting upon the familiar cushions, but resting upon what, had it not been for the remarkable orderliness of its arrangement, would have been called a mass of wreckage. When the car had formed the sides sank outwards and the passengers, almost undisturbed upon their now moved seats, so that the component parts of the roof settling down where the aisle of the car had been did not so much as touch one another.

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Donald Pitblado and Betty Robinson
To Dance at The W. R. A. Ball.

Their contribution to the program will include the following:

A (1) Polka Brazilienne. (2) Around the Map (including Fox Trot, Polka, Ta-Tao, and Maxixe).

B (1) Tango. (2) Mazurca, (as introduced in this country by Donald Pitblado and Betty Robinson).

On the evening of Friday, March 3rd, the Windsor Town Hall will be the scene of what will doubtless prove one of the pleasantest social affairs of the season. This occasion will be the First Annual Ball and Concert of the Business Men's Association, preparations for which have been in progress nearly two months. The sale of tickets has been large, we are informed, and there are several reasons why it will probably be large.

In the first place there are 250 members of the Association, the majority of whom, through loyalty or personal interest either purchase for themselves or take to dispose to friends outside the Association, one of the $1.00 tickets which admits a gentleman and several ladies. Then, as those who do not care to dance themselves may enjoy an unusually brilliant concert by the Tempo Orchestra, the spectacle afforded by the dancers, and last but not least, the beautiful and dignified exhibition dancing of Donald Pitblado and Miss Betty Robinson, (part of their exhibition being in special costume), there is little doubt that the affair will be a splendid success. The committee in charge consists of G. F. Scobie, Chairman, F. H. Young, W. C. Simmons, F. M. Case, Edison A. Welch. The hall will be elaborately decorated by Simons of Hartford and refreshments and buffet lunch will be provided without extra charge.

The officers having charge of the new and old cemeteries at Elm Grove, Poquonock, have by their earnest efforts to improve the property during several years past, placed their fellow-townsmen under an obligation to give heartily for moral support and permanently and generously their financial co-operation. The appearance of the old cemetery was for many years anything but creditable to our town and the improvements made in it aroused much favorable comment. The committee needs money more urgently than ever it has incurred. Careful computation shows that $250 cares for a half lot and $500 for a whole lot is required annually to insure proper care. Subscriptions should be sent to R. A. Haggarty, Treasurer, The Elm Grove Cemetery Improvement Fund.

During the past month the Business Men's Association mailed to each of its 250 members a copy in pamphlet form of the address given at the Association's Annual Ladies' Night Banquet, October 28, 1915, by Howard Elliott, Chairman of the Board and President of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company. This address was considered of such unusual importance that it was published in full in leading newspapers in New York, Boston, Washington and all the larger cities throughout the country.

Miss Miriam Woodberry, Secretary of the Women's Department of the National Cong'l Home Missionary Society, deeply interested a large gathering of women at the home of Mrs. C. Robert Hatheway in Poquonock, on the afternoon of Feb. 10th., having for her subject "The New South." Miss Woodberry is a wonderfully forceful speaker, and because of her extensive travels up and down our country, and insight into conditions, is especially adapted to sell the truth home. Those who heard her will not soon forget the "needs" she so vividly pictured.

On the morning of February 15th., several thermometers in town registered 22 degrees below zero. The coldest weather in town was reported for the Connecticut Company's morning cars but no thermometer could register cold like that.

True Stories.

Walter McFarland says that while rabbit hunting he heard a shot and saw a rabbit fall a few feet from him and found that his horse had stepped on a loaded shell, which had exploded and killed the rabbit.—From the Franklin (Pa.) Exchange.

Which reminds us that one day we went trout fishing and hearing a gurgling noise in front of us we looked out and saw that a trout had mistaken our Ford for a fly and had succeeded in swallowing the front wheels and most of the hood when we jumped out and beat the warmed critic to death with a hockey stick.—Credit Lost.

First Recruit.—"What do you think of the major, Bill?"

Second Recruit.—"He's a changeable kind o' bloke. Last night I says to 'im, 'Go out there?' an' he says, "Friend!" an' today 'e 'ardly knows me."—Punch.
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CONTRIBUTIONS: We shall welcome suggestions and short communications of news of coming events, or other items of local interest at any time. Advertising or copy must be in our hands on the 15th day of the month preceding publication.

The Town Crier will be for sale at stores in the Bay State Short Ship Circuit, in Haydon's Studio, Poquonnock, Raynham, Wilson's and Windsor and in Gustave Ficker Company's store in Hartford.

Trains Leave Windsor

GOING SOUTH—WEEK-DAYS
Morning 6:12, 7:37, 8:21, 10:54
Afternoon 4:43, 5:03, 6:20, 10:00

GOING NORTH—SUNDAYS
Morning 10:54, 12:21
Afternoon 4:43, 7:20, 10:00
Twelve Minutes To Hartford.

GOING NORTH—WEEK-DAYS
Morning 5:57, 8:15, 9:53, 11:29
Afternoon 2:18, 4:50, 5:37, 6:20 11:53

GOING SOUTH—SUNDAYS
Morning 10:25
Afternoon 2:33, 8:43, 11:53.
Thirty-eight minutes to Springfield.

SOME THINGS WINDSOR NEEDS.

A Probation Officer.
A Town Plan Commission.
A New Steel Bridge.
A Town Map.
A Complete Index to Town Records.
An Increase In Teachers' Salaries.

Removal of The "Death Trap." The chairman of the Town Plan Commission will doubtless be brought up at the adjourned Town Meeting in Poquonnock, Saturday, March 4th. We hope to see such a Commission organized. Hartford has one, so has West Hartford, and Wethersfield is talking of having one. We should like to see at least one man of artistic training on such a Commission.

At this meeting also the matter of rating the plans for removing the "Death Trap" will be settled one way or another. Neither Rainbow, Poquonnock or Wilson's has much to gain from this improvement but we believe these sections will give generous consideration of what may be the greatest good to the town. For this pleasant spirit of fair-play has been one of the most gratifying features of the Town Meetings of recent years.

Our tardy, but sincere thanks is extended to Editor Hemingway of The Hartford Post, for courtesy in sending The Town Crier the cut of Frank G. Macomber reproduced in our February issue.

Speaking of Mr. Macomber pleasantly recalls the fact that the editor of the Hartford Sunday Globe favored a good sized and extremely interesting audience at the February meeting of the W. B. M. A., with an informal talk on "Consciousness" that was full of "meat." There was not a tittle expression in his address and every one who heard it felt well repaid for their time spent at the meeting. In fact, every minute of the evening was crowded with matters of unusual interest. The last four meetings of President Davis's administration have been most successful ones.

So much has been said about billboards in Windsor that an unusually generous offer made at the February meeting of the Business Men's Association by Albert H. House deserves record and comment here. Meeting the objections made against billboards in a most creditable spirit, Mr. House last fall remodeled a large and expensive board he had caused to be erected on land owned by him adjoining the railroad. Following remarks by R. S. Tiffany on the attractiveness of an electrically illuminated sign in Westfield, Mass., consisting it, as "The Pure Food Town," Mr. House offered without charge or time limit, the use of his board and land to place it on, if the Association saw fit to accept and have an illuminated sign advertising Windsor as an attractive place to live in, painted upon it. The offer was accepted with thanks and it is quite certain that the Public Affairs Committee, to which the matter was referred, will prepare a sign that will be an ornament and a credit to Windsor, rather than the reverse.

The Second Anniversary of Windsor's bank was celebrated on Wednesday, February 16th, open house being observed between the hours of two and eight o'clock P.M. The officers, President George R. Ford, Vice-President Fred W. Morange, Secretary-Treasurer Wm. P. Calder, and most of the Directors, who are: H. H. Ellsworth, A. H. House, Fred H. Thrall, H. F. King, G. F. Davis, R. L. Clark, J. E. Ransom, C. E. Stinson and Andrew Mahan, with their ladies, acted as hosts for the occasion. Many stockholders and depositors and others called to inspect the bank's head-quarters and to extend well-merited congratulations on the bank's success.

Ainbi Windsor persistency—and Windsor's spirit of doing things right—has won out. Joseph Graham, the energetic Secretary of Sage Park, wanted to have Windsor represented in the Bay State Short Ship Circuit races this year and more than that he wanted for Windsor the very closest distance. Early in the week of July 4th. He got both! When it was first proposed to get the Connecticut Chamber of Commerce 1915 Convention for Windsor the remark was freely made, "There isn't a chance." The local Business Men's Association got at it, though, and they got the same way to Secretary Graham—but he got what he went after—and the horsemen will never regret it.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW ABOUT WINDSOR.

The Town School System.

The ten school districts of Windsor are consolidated, being under the direction of a Town School Committee of three. Principal F. Brown, Chairman; Frank V. Mills, Secretary; and Frank P. Gilligan, Supervisor District Agent, and School Superintendent, Daniel Howard.

WINDSOR'S $50,000 HIGH SCHOOL.

The School Committee members set without pay. The Superintendent devotes three days of each week to Windsor schools and two days to the schools of Windsor Locks.

Beginning July 1st next, all his time will be devoted to Windsor at a salary of $43 per day while the State will pay $50.

In addition to the Superintendent, the system employs Principal W. Scott Austin of the High School, at a salary of $1000 per year, Principal S. W. Marsh of the Ninth District at $1100 per year, and a stenographer (who also does the book-keeping for the system) at $12 per week for 40 weeks. There are 24 grade teachers three of whom receive $12, seventeen receive $15, three receive $14.50 and one receives $15.75 per week for the 38 weeks of the school year—an average of $15.38 each per week. The State insists upon 36 weeks of actual teaching, so that the actual term required on account of teaching time lost on account of teacher's vacations, holidays, etc., is 38 weeks.

There are 4 teachers in the High School (Third District), of whom one receives $19.75, one $21 and one $20 each per week or an average of $21.71.

The gross enumeration by Districts of children eligible to attend schools follows: First, 151; Second, 74; Third, 290; Fourth, 95; Fifth, 49; Sixth, 81; Seventh, 38; Eighth, 112; Ninth, 179; Tenth, 102; a total of 1171, a gala of almost 300 over the 877 which was the enumeration six years ago.

This is the official record sent to the State Comptroller and upon which the State allows the Town $2.25 for each, annually.

Of this number some attend private or out-of-town public schools, some are not subject to the law of compulsory attendance, and some attend schools in other districts than that in which they reside. Therefore the actual number in attendance on Feb. 1, 1916 in each of the several districts, which follows, will interest: First, 87; Second, 7; Third, (High School District,) 332 grade and 55 High School; Fourth, 40; Fifth, 30; Sixth, 36; Seventh, 21; Eighth, 56; Ninth, 151; Tenth, 102.

About 60 children are transported to and from school morning and afternoon, three teams being required. In addition 61 children are transported by trolley, two trips per day, at the Town's expense.
Two night schools are conducted, one in the Third and one in the Ninth, the latter being temporarily closed on account of night work in the local mills.

The grade schools in Windsor offer substantially the same courses as do the Hartford grade schools, and a graduate of the ninth grade here is substantially the same courses as do graduate of the ninth grade here is. The exhibition of the work of grade pupils in penmanship, clay-modelling, basketry, drawing, etc., at the re-opening of the Windsor Town Hall, September, 1915, was a revelation of remarkable work done that aroused intense public interest. In times past too narrow prejudice against the teaching of singing handicapped our schools. Reasonable consideration of the need for such training should be given whenever appropriations are made for school purposes.

An innovation of great value has been tried out for over a year now. Each Monday morning a short time is devoted in every school to a study of banking. The teacher or an older pupil acting as banker, receives for such children as care to make them, deposits of small coins. Each depositor receives a miniature pass-book direct from the Bank, the usual interest being allowed on such deposits. During the school year ending June, 1915, the children deposited a total of $1401. On December 24th, 1915, the Bank placed upon the books of 314 children the sum of $745. In all 366 pupils have received books of their own from the Bank, obtaining same through their School Savings System deposits.

The High School offers Commercial, College, Preparatory, Academic or English, and Scientific courses—all being for four-year terms. Special observation trips have been taken by the boys to such places as The General Electric Company, Dunham Hose Organ Works, Cheney Silk Mills, Merwin Paper Mills. These trips originally arranged for the Educational Committee of the Windsor Business Men's Association have been usually taken with boys from the Loomis Institute. It is planned shortly to take several trips for the benefit of such of the girls of the school as are interested. Such trips are now in mind to the Underwood Typewriter Plant and to the headquarters of G. S. Weather Forecaster Nefert in Hartford.

The educational status of our High School is indicated by the fact that a graduate of the College Preparatory Department will be admitted without examination to the University of Illinois. Recent graduates are attending Harvard, Trinity, Clark, Mass. Agricultural College, Amherst, Stotes, Simmons, Smith, and Yale. Twelve other graduates are continuing their education in other technical and professional institutions.

POEMS WORTH READING.

THE TOWN CRIER

HORACE B. CLARK

Fire Commissioner, Hartford

To Be Special Speaker at Business Men's Association Meeting.

TUESDAY, MARCH 7th AT 8 P.M.

THE BUSINESS MEN'S ASSOCIATION WILL HOLD ITS MONTHLY MEETING IN THE LOWER TOWN HALL.

This meeting will open with a talk on "Fires And Fire Prevention" by Fire Commissioner Horace B. Clark of Hartford, who not only has had an unusual experience but has made a serious study of the subject as well. Mr. Clark will have a special message of such interest to Windsor people that President G. F. Davis of the Association has extended an invitation to the members of the Windsor Fire Company to be present as guests of the Association.

The Public Affairs Committee will probably have a complete report ready in regard to the project for setting out shade trees along our main highways this spring, and several other matters of unusual interest are on the program for the evening. It will pay every member to attend, and it will pay anyone who is not a member to accept his invitation to attend this big meeting.

MEMBERS ARE ASKED TO NOTE THAT THE ASSOCIATION HAS ARRANGED TO SUBSCRIBE TO THE TOWN CRIER FOR EACH ONE EVERY MONTH UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

At the October, 1915, Town Meeting the Selectmen and the School Committee were directed to report at the adjourned Meeting to be held March 4, 1916, as to the advisability of purchasing land in the First, Third and Ninth Districts. It is probable that this Meeting will be asked to authorize the purchase of land in all three districts. It is also probable that the School Committee will recommend immediate steps for providing additional school room in the First and Ninth Districts and for a new heating system in the Ninth District. The need of more room in the Third will probably be brought up although the Committee considers the need pressing in the other two districts.

The royal feast was done; the king
Sought some new sport to banish care,
And to his jester cried: "Sir Fool,
Kneel now, and make for us a prayer."

The jester doffed his cap and bells,
And stood the mocking court before;
They could not see the bitter smile
Behind the painted grin he wore.

He bowed his head and bent his knee
Upon the monarch's silken stool;
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fact, it's orders. See, it says right
Rolly, 'In all cases of doubt use the club freely. The party
ory or if he be not a party, whoever he
ny, I wanted to remain uncon-
sious will be more likely to accede
to the diagnosis of his case decided up
at the police-station the next day:"

Mrs. Mattiea Ford-Urbanke, who
slipped on an icy side-walk and broked
her wrist, recently, is recovering as
rapidly as could be expected. It is
also learned that Mr. Mel Stellaba,
whose leg was broken, is doing very
also.
Side-walks? Sure! We have them
And they're surely mighty nice
Of course at times they're under
A slippery cost of Ice
But wait till Spring and then you'll

Our walks as clean as clean can be.
The Woman's Club entertained the
D. A. R. at a Washington's Birthday
Party on February 22nd. A very
pleasant afternoon was enjoyed. Spec-
ial entertainment was provided by
Miss Brigetta Larala on the piano.
Miss Janet Chesney who gave readings,
and Miss Grace Sheldon, who sang
several solos.
Miss Archer's piano recital at Camp-
bell Hall on February 5th, attracted
much attention and brought her many
compliments.

The annual meeting of the Windsor
Golf Club was held on Feb. 5th, at the
Highland Court Hotel, Hartford. An
excellent dinner was enjoyed and
enthusiasm was at high pitch. This
year the club is enthusiastically in ten-
nis courts on its grounds and the an-
nouncement of this was received with
much applause. The officers elected
are as follows: President, Edgar D.
Clark; vice-president, Fred D. Loydon;
secretary and treasurer, Harold E.
Nearing; executive board, Edgar D.
Clark, F. R. Loydon, H. F. Nearing,
D. H. Flecher, William Penn Mott;
team captain (golf), E. Snellgrove;
team captain (tennis), Harold E.
Nearing; greens committee, E. Snell-
grove, William A. Reeves, Arthur Wil-
lins; tennis committee, E. Snelgrove,
H. H. Lantman, Harold F. Nearing,
Theodore F. Neinhuis; house com-
mittee, William Penn Mott.

The good people of Rainbow had
their faith in the accuracy of the
Grand Hog weather predictions some
whatsaken because of the snowy
atmosphere which hid his shadow, and
are inclined to pin their faith to the
Caterpillar prophesiation which comes
to them from a neighboring town—viz, that a "bug" of this sort
had recently been captured there
which had a broad strip of black at
both ends, with a patch of yellow
in the center—a reliable weather pro-
phet translates this as meaning a great
deat of winter at both ends of the
season, with a mild strip in the
middle. Hence it is plainly up to
the Grand Hog and the Caterpillar
to prove who's right, with the odds in
f vor of the Caterpillar.

The Junior Prom at the Campbell
School this year was a very elaborate
affair. The new Campbell Hall afford-
ed a most fitting and pleasing place
and the excellent work of the commit-
tees made the occasion one long to be
remembered.
It was entertainers of the first order. The "Volunteer Fire Department... was very effective and showed long and careful training. Too much credit cannot be given all the members for their painstaking work, good singing and fine appearance.

The entire production was arranged, staged and directed by W. C. Simmons, whose reputation for conceiving and producing novel musical entertainments is well and favorably known.

Certainly everybody who attended the firemen's "Minstrels" were agreeably surprised and delighted with the success it was deserve our congratulations, and we extend them to one and all.

"Above the Clouds," will be presented on Thursday, March 2nd, by the Rainbow Dramatic Club, at 8 o'clock in the Poquonock Town Hall. Below is cast of characters:

Philip Ringold, "Crazy Phil," a Mountain Hermit, S. W. March; Alfred Thorpe, a City Nobob, Ervina Parker; Amos Gaylord, a Country Gentleman, Frank Lang; Howard Gaylord, his Son, Ralph Vernon; Titus Turtle, a Gossip from the Rough, Ira Neal; Curtis Chipman, "Chips" in the Rough, Ira Smith; Nat Naylor, Thorpe's Protege, Charles Lang; Grace Ingalls, a young Artist, Mary Alfred; Hester Thorne, Gaylord's Housekeeper, Henrietta Hall; Susy Gaylord, Gaylord's Daughter, Anna Scheele; Lucindia, Gerrell, "Go Romantic," Bertha Rogers.

Edward W. Mack & Son recently sold to the J. H. Glazier company 150,000 Harvard bricks, to be used in construction of the new building for the Institute for the Blind, in Hartford.

A Letter From Florida.

My Dear Town Crier:--

I cannot tell you what the change is like to go from snow and ice to balmy air and kindly skies, but it is certainly great. California weather is not in it with Florida and the Sunshine City of St. Petersburg is the best of all. Such is the faith of one of the daily newspapers here that they offer to give away their whole circulation every day that the sun does not shine. For five years this has been their custom and only a few times have they been called upon to give their paper for nothing. I notice a number of papers here, among them Assessor Joseph B. Spencer and Mrs. Spencer, C. Shepard and Mrs. Shepard, and a Mr. Neisley, a former resident of Windsor. These people have all become "countryside" for the town. They are delighted to find such a clean, progressive city, estimated at 13,000 population with 20,000 tourists who come from all over the Union.

A large G. A. R. Post is maintained and yesterday the members were all invited over to the Confederate Post located here.

I gladly accepted an invitation to go with the G. A. R. members. It was the first meeting of the Blue and Gray which I ever attended. A most kind and fraternal spirit was shown between them as they related from their different points of view their recollections of the Great Struggle, but almost every one of the Confederate Veterans spoke of the unity of the nation and that they were proud of it. The tears would come when I thought of those old broken men representing the two great opposing forces of 50 years ago, clasped in one another's arms.

The Sixty-third annual meeting of the Windsor Rogue Detecting Society was held in the town hall Jan. 17. In the absence of President D. Ellsworth Phelps, Vice-President Albert E. Phelps presided. The roll call of members showed 129 on the list. A campaign is to be started to start new members into the association and reestablishing the society so that it may be especially useful in detection of auto thieves and in other ways protect its members from losses by theft and burglary. The officers elected for the ensuing year were: President, D. Ellsworth Phelps; vice-president, Albert E. Phelps; secretary and treasurer, C. H. Goslee.

I thaw puts crimp in ice harvesting.

By golly, that follow thaw is making more trouble. They never ought to have turned him loose.
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The Town Crier Note A Few Styles.  
'Tis  
Surely  
True no more  
Man knows how Woman  
Next will wear her clothes.  
Just now there seems a turn about—  
For necks are in and feet are out!  

A timid examination of Vogue, Harper's Bazaar, and a few kindred magazines, makes a mere man feel that when the styles for the Spring of 1916 are fairly launched, he will be startled into a recurrent feeling that he is meeting his grandmother.  
The tight little upper-rigging and the wide-spread main-sails below, concealing hoop-skirts for all we know, remind us of the Godey's Ladies' Book we used to find in grandma's attic.  
As skirts grow wider hats get narrower, thus reversing the triangle of a few years ago when cart-wheels were used for hats and skirts were mere nothings about the ankles.  
With relief we read in "Vogue" that "Skirts will be longer for they couldn't be shorter and be called skirts." This inspires us to wonder how high shoes can go before they become hip-boots.  
Sleeves seem to be tending toward "soup-dipper" proportions, one reason for being thankful that in these days the life of a style is short.  
Hats are going up—not in price, (Heaven forbid!) but in architecture.  
We read that colors are to be neutral. How about "gun-metal" and "battle-ship grey?" In this field, however, ignorance forbids us to venture far.  
As straw hats are now common we may safely predict velvet and fur will be the thing next August. Truly, in the midst of Winter, Summer is with us, and yet we venture to wonder what would happen should a man appear on the streets in March with a straw hat on.  
Woman wears what she will when she pleases but poor Man struggles along as best he can bound by conventions, the calendar, and what he can afford to buy.
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**Buy Your Spring Hat Now.**

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**UP UP UP**

But that isn't all. There isn't enough raw material left in the country to supply the demand; most manufacturers will be able to fill but part of their original Spring orders, let alone duplicate orders that naturally follow the first rush of Spring business.

The result will be the greatest shortage of seasonable hats ever known.

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THE TOWN CRIER
Chronicle and Comment (cont.)
Much interest is being shown in all parts of the country, and especially in small communities, in the formation of Rifle Clubs with nominal dues, as branches of the National Rifle Association. While the members of these clubs are not in any way obligated for military duty, the desirability of extending the idea of "Preparedness" is recognized by the Government to such an extent that modern rifles—Springfield and Krags—are sold to members at very low prices, a certain amount of ammunition being furnished free.
Under certain conditions also, local Clubs may obtain the use of Government rifles without purchase. One of the largest Clubs in the country has recently been started, with great enthusiasm in Wethersfield. The Town Crier has information that the founders of the Wethersfield Club will be glad to assist in forming a Club here. It might be that the Wimpoo Club and the Business Men's Association, could arrange a joint meeting to receive instruction regarding the formation of such a Club.

The Firemen's Minstrels had lots of fun with the Town Crier, who innocently bought a reserved seat up front, where he could hear and laugh at all the jokes on his neighbor. He laughed like everything as Selectman Case, Representative House and others were "roasted" and then felt the laughter freeze on his lips when his turn came. That was different!
The Town Crier overheard a conversation between two prominent towns-men which indicated the possibility in the not too distant future, of the formation of a local club organized on somewhat the same lines as The City Club of Hartford which would have attractive headquarters in a central location.
The Loonias Institute boys are playing mighty creditable basketball this winter, winning the majority of games they enter. The Town Crier notes with regret that the Poquonock players have felt obliged to discontinue their serries owing to lack of financial support.
The severe snow-storms during the winter have caused the schools to be closed several times. The children have stood such deprivations most courageously.
The meetings of the Board of Relief this season have been very quiet and uneventful.

An Illinois grocer has carried a potato with him for thirty years, and has been free from rheumatism. Also from loppery and household's knee. It's wonderful how those things work.

Mr. George B. Ashwell, Chairman of the W. B. M. A. Public Affairs Committee presented for that committee a report of unusual timeliness advocating the setting out of additional shade trees throughout the Town, this coming Spring. The report was most favorably received as one of progress, and as it appeared that a petition was being circulated favoring a small appropriation from the Town, the meeting directed the Committee to formulate a definite plan and present it at the March meeting.

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