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Mr. and Mrs. Stiles entertained the Grange at Epping on Thursday evening. Mr. Stiles was elected Deputy at the Concord Pomona meeting recently.

Mr. and Mrs. William Caldwell are to pass the remainder of the winter in Dover, with their daughter, Mrs. Fall.

Many of the members of Jeremiah Smith Grange attended the joint installation at Exeter last Monday night. There were about 300 Grangers there, although the fog was very bad.

Charles Freeman passed away last Monday.

There will be a public installation at Grange hall Saturday evening, January 21.

Audrey Spencer is getting along much better.
January 26, 1928

The Missionary Society were entertained at an all day meeting at the home of Mrs. Clarence Laughton last Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Lloyd Fogg have moved into the William Caldwell house. The North Lee school had a record of 100 percent in attendance last week.

George McDaniel has recently purchased a new Pontiac sedan.

The funeral services for Ransom Caldwell were held last Thursday afternoon at the home. Rev. Mr. Tyler officiated. The burial was in the family lot on the farm.

There will be a whist and box party at the Grange Hall this Friday evening. All ladies are requested to bring a box with lunch for two. There will be no charge for the whist party, but the boxes will be auctioned off.

Mrs. J. B. Walker, Mrs. Helen Thompson and sister went to Boston last Monday.

Installation of officers were held at Jeremiah Smith Grange last Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Stiles installed the following officers in a very pleasing manner: Master, Robert H. Thompson; Overseer, Norman Stiles; Lecturer, Ruth Menter; Steward, Raymond Munroe; Asst. Steward, Robert Stiles; Chaplain, Fred Comings; Treasurer, Mercy McDaniel; Secretary, Clare E. Ellison; Gate Keeper, Charles Mariotti (Haven D. Layne, proxy); Ceres, Helen J. Thompson; Pomona, Esther Garrity (Frances Lavallee, proxy); Lady Asst. Steward, Virginia M. Menter.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dionn have moved into Mrs. Ellison’s tenement.

Those who are on the sick list this week are Alphonso Lavallee and Ernest Menter.

Miss Audrey Spencer is staying with her aunt, Mrs. Irving Young, in Dover. Mrs. Young was struck down by an automobile a week ago last Sunday and has since been confined to her bed.

Miss Irene Smith was a visitor in Dover last week.

The following, concerning a Lee young man, is taken from the Dover correspondence of the Boston Globe: “A Dover High School undergraduate, Leon Dudley of Lee, preferred to join the Marines and see the world on personally conducted tours by Uncle Sam than to complete his school work and graduate, as he would this year, had he remained in school. Dudley is now on the way to Nicaragua to take a hand in the policing of that turbulent country. He entered the service about a year ago at Paris Island, S. C. His mother recently received a letter from him telling of his prospective tour of duty in Nicaragua.”
February 2, 1928

At the Grange meeting in Epping last week Wallace Stiles was presented with a very nice past master’s pin. It was a total surprise to him.

The chimney on the home of Woodruff Mason was blown down during the recent high wind, and the family were obliged to seek refuge elsewhere for a time.

Letters from Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith state they have not had a single unpleasant day thus far in their stay in Florida. We hope the good news continues.

People were shocked and saddened to learn of the sudden death of George James. On his way home from Lee Hill Saturday evening he was taken ill, and went into the home of a deaf and dumb woman, but he passed away immediately. His age was 64 years, 8 months and 4 days, and he is survived by a wife and nine children and other relatives. He was a genial man, with many friends, and will be greatly missed.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Dodge and family of Wakefield, Mass., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George McDaniel.

Carl Fernald has been spending a few days with his father, Loren S. Fernald.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur McDaniel and Frank Caldwell attended the installation of the Portsmouth grange last Thursday evening.
February 9, 1928

The home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kimball of Kensington was burned to the ground Feb. 1st. Mrs. Kimball was formerly Marion Page of this town. The fire was caused by a chimney fire. They saved everything on the first floor but lost all on the second floor. Among the lost were some valuable antiques and a good part of their clothing. Fortunately there was a house across the street they could move into. They will rebuild soon.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hoitt of Durham called on Mrs. Chester Ellison last Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. Ellison is very lame.

George Munroe and family spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Munroe.

David Mitchell has gone to spend the winter with Mr. and Mrs. William Mitchell.

Miss Audrey Spencer has gone back to her work in Durham, after several weeks' illness.

Clarence Fernald is cutting ice at Tuttle Pond.

Mr. Phipps of Dover was a caller at the Hale Farm last Sunday.

There will be a whist party at the Grange hall this Friday evening.

GEORGE P. JAMES

George P. James, a life-time resident of Lee, died very suddenly of Angina Pectoris Saturday, and the funeral services were held at his late residence on the Mart road on Tuesday, Jan. 31.

Mr. James was born in Lee, May 4, 1863, the son of Joseph and Mary (Fernald) James. He married a Lee girl, Miss Hattie Chesley, May 24, 1887, who survives him, and to them were given nine children, all of whom are living.

Mr. James was a kind husband and father, and had a large circle of friends, as was shown by the many gathered at his funeral and the many pieces of beautiful flowers. The services were conducted by the Rev. Mr. Kettelle of Newmarket, who spoke words of consolation to the bereaved ones.

The bearers were James B. Walker, Fred C. York, Charles H. Johnson, Fred P. Comings, George Hoitt and Benj. Reed. The interment was in the family lot at Lee Hill. There we left him among the flowers, mute symbols of the love we all cherished.

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The whole community was shocked to learn of the sudden and untimely death of one of its respected citizens, George P. James, who died very suddenly from heart failure Saturday night, January 28. Mr. James was born in Lee in August 1863, was brought up here and spent the greatest part of his life here as a successful farmer. He was a faithful husband, devoted father, kind friend, obliging neighbor and an honest, upright citizen, whose quiet, unassuming manner won for him a host of friends, who held him in high esteem.

Besides his wife, who has ever been a constant helpmate, he is survived by all of his nine children, two sons, Forrest of Lee and Homer of Somerville, Mass., and seven daughters, Mrs. Edna M. Wells of Boston, Mass., Mrs. Hazel F. Dudley of Lee, Mrs. Velma Walker, Mrs. Doris Stevens, Mrs. Ruby Haines and Miss Gladys James of Newmarket, and Miss Barbara, a student of Dover High School, who lives at home, also one sister, Miss Belle Garrity, of Lee. It is worthy of note that this is the first death in the family since Mr. and Mrs. James were married more than 40 years ago.

Funeral services were held at his late home on Tuesday afternoon, Jan. 31, at two o'clock. Rev. J. D. Kettelle of Newmarket officiated and spoke comfortingly to the afflicted family and to the large circle of friends and neighbors who gathered to pay their last respects.

The vast array of beautiful flowers bore silent tribute to the esteem in which Mr. James was held by all who knew him.

The town and community, which can ill afford to lose such a citizen, extends to the bereaved family its sincere sympathy.

A FRIEND

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February 23, 1928

The pupils of North Lee school have contributed money to purchase a tree in the Franconia Notch.

The Missionary Society held an all day meeting with Mrs. Charles Case last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Munroe were visitors in town over Sunday.

Mrs. Granville Thompson has been quite ill the past week.

March 1, 1928

The South Lee school raised $1.35 toward the saving of Franconia Notch, and the Center school raised $1.15. The committee for this town realized $32, which was more than double the quota.

Mrs. Granville Thompson and Mrs. Robert Thompson are in Boston for the week. They will return Sunday.

The first degree was worked on nine candidates at the last meeting of Jeremiah Smith Grange.

March 22, 1928

The annual school meeting was held last Saturday afternoon at the town hall. The following officers were elected: Moderator, David B. Bartlett; Clerk, Fred P. Comings; Member of School Board for three years, Mary B. Carpenter; Member of School Board for one year, Ada P. York; Treasurer, Edna B. Bartlett; Auditors, Ethel D. Thompson, Helen J. Thompson.

Amount of money to be raised, $5,415.00.

The Missionary Society held an all-day meeting with Mrs. Helen Thompson last Thursday.

Frank I. Caldwell, grand juror, and Woodruff B. Mason, petit juror, were drawn to serve at a special session of the court held in Dover this week.

Mr. and Mrs. George McDaniel and family spent the week-end in Somerville, Mass.

Schools in town will close for the Spring vacation this Friday.

Charles Stackpole is visiting his nephew, Harry Davis, of Newton, Mass.

Seth W. Sherburne is moving his tractor mill to Newmarket.
April 5, 1928

Mr. and Mrs. Hatfield and Mrs. Hayward are in town.

Charlie Mills had the misfortune to break one of his fingers last week.

Norman DeMerritt has moved his family to Madbury.

Frank Oldham is able to be out again, after a week’s illness.

Mrs. Burnham is visiting her daughter, Mrs. Ernest Menter.

Gardner Kimball was in town for a few days last week.

Mrs. Susan Corson celebrated her 88th birthday March 22. Mrs. Corson is in poor health.

There will be a whist party at Grange Hall Friday evening.

Evangeline and Caverly Durgin have returned to college, after a week’s vacation.

April 12, 1928

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Dionne and two children have returned home after visiting in Nashua.

Miss Virginia Menter celebrated her sixteenth birthday Monday. In the evening her friends and neighbors called on her. Refreshments, including a birthday cake with sixteen candles, were served. A pleasant evening was enjoyed.

Mrs. Forrest James is working at the University.

Mrs. Horace Caverno has returned home after spending the winter with her children in Massachusetts.

There were quite a few at the whist party at Grange hall last Friday evening in spite of the bad traveling. There will be another party this Friday evening.

Mrs. Charles Johnson was a visitor in Dover Monday.

Mrs. Alphonse Lavallee was surprised by a birthday party Saturday evening. It was planned by her sister, Audrey. Friends and neighbors were present. Many gifts were received. Dainty refreshments were served, including a birthday cake with 27 candles made by her sister. A good time was enjoyed.

Mrs. James Walker was a visitor in Boston Saturday.

Seth Sherburne has moved his mill to the Charles Johnson lot.

George Sherburne has been visiting Clarence Fernald.

Edna Wells returned to her home Monday after visiting her mother, Mrs. Harriet James.

A tribe of gypsies are in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Fogg have been spending two weeks with Mr. and Mrs. David Fogg.

Mrs. Mary B. Carpenter has been in Boston the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Sumner Layne and family are to return to North Conway this week.

Mrs. Frank Caldwell and daughter, Madeline, returned from a visit to Boston last Saturday.
May 3, 1928

Dana Johnson had the misfortune to break his arm Friday evening.

Mrs. Alphonse Lavallee was a visitor in Dover Saturday.

The Lake Wheelwright Club met at the Hale farm Saturday.

Miss Esther Garrity was a visitor in Dover over the week-end.

Miss Audrey Spencer was a visitor in Dover Monday.

Mrs. James Walker was a Boston visitor Friday.

Quite a large number were at the box party Friday evening.

Alphonse Lavallee has been on the sick list the past week.

Mrs. Rebecca D. Caverno, 74, wife of Horace F. Caverno of this town, lost her life early last Friday morning when her sleeping room became a mass of smoke and flame, started, it is thought, from an overturned lamp on a table beside her bed. Her husband, occupying another room, was awakened about 2:30 by the smell of smoke. He hurried to his wife’s room, but was driven back by smoke and flames upon opening her door. He aroused a farm-hand, and together they forced an entrance to the blazing room through an outside window, and by means of pails of water drawn from the well extinguished the fire after a hard struggle. It is thought that Mrs. Caverno, who was found dead on her bed, which was afire, was asphyxiated by smoke before the flames reached her. Mrs. Caverno was a native of Barrington and had lived here 55 years. The funeral was held at her home Sunday afternoon with services conducted by Rev. H. J. Morrison of Newmarket. There was a large attendance of relatives and friends and a profusion of beautiful floral tributes.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlton Nichols visited at George Corson’s last Sunday.

Mrs. Sargent Smith called on Mrs. Chester Ellison Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Rhines and daughter, Ruth, called on Mr. and Mrs. Chester Ellison Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Munroe went to Northwood to call on Mrs. Munroe’s parents.

Jeremiah Smith Grange has invited Scammell Grange of Durham to attend Neighbors’ Night, May 10.

Miss Blanche R. Dionne and Miss Clare E. Ellison attended a county leaders’ meeting of the 4-H Club at Mount Pleasant Camp, Mulligan’s Park, Dover, last Wednesday evening.

The Lake Wheelwright 4-H Club will meet this Saturday afternoon, at 2 o’clock, with Miss Clare Ellison.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Munroe are staying for a while with Woodbury Sherburne. Mr. Munroe recently left his position at Strafford County Farm on account of his health.

Mr. and Mrs. Ellsworth Garrity have begun moving to their new house, which they will occupy soon.

Alphonse Lavallee has been sick in bed since last Thursday.

Miss Audrey Spencer was invited to serve at a party of twenty-four, held at the home of Mrs. John C. Kendall in Durham, last Monday afternoon.
May 10, 1928

Mrs. Arthur J. Thompson entertained the missionary society at her home last Thursday afternoon.

Work on the trunk line is progressing rapidly under the supervision of James B. Walker.

Miss Audrey Spencer and Miss Ruth Mentor will attend the Young People's rally at Rochester this Saturday and Sunday.

Neighbors' Night at Jeremiah Smith Grange was well attended, there being 51 present. A nice program, which was furnished by the lecturers of Jeremiah Smith Grange and Scammel Grange of Durham, was enjoyed by all, after which a very good supper was enjoyed.

Last Thursday evening Miss Mary MacRae had the misfortune to scald the lower part of her face and neck while emptying a coffee bag at Grant's Café.

Dana Johnson, who has been unable to go to school because of a fractured elbow, is now back at school.

Ellsworth Garrity is ill with the flu.

May 24, 1928

Mrs. Mary B. Carpenter and Miss Edwina Bagley were in Boston on Wednesday of this week, where they attended the commencement exercises of the Posse-Nissen School of Physical Education. Miss Katherine Abbott, president of the graduating class, is a former classmate of Miss Bagley.

Eugene Sawyer and family who have been living in Philadelphia, Penn., have returned to Lee to stay with his brother.

The selection of felts for hats was held Tuesday afternoon at the North Lee school and a goodly number was present. The making of the hats will be at Mrs. Frank Caldwell's June 19, for an all day affair.

The Whist parties at the Grange Hall seem to be having good success, about 75 being present at the last meeting. There will be another this Friday evening.

The 4-H Club will meet at Clare Ellison's this Saturday afternoon at 2 o'clock. One more member has been taken in.

Jeremiah Smith Grange will visit Dover Grange, June 2, to confer the 4th degree.