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## WARNED TO LEAVE

### How Vermont Towns Got Rid of "Undesirables."

**Selectmen Were Empowered to Order Them to Leave, and Judgment of Officials Evidently Was Not Infallible.**

Speaking of the current misapprehension as to who are the poor and unfortunate in this world, Nomad of the Boston Evening Transcript has come upon a most curious note about the poor and the rich, and the fear of the pauper and having to support him, in a Vermont paper. Mr. F. P. Wells, the accomplished historian of Newbury, Barnet and other Vermont towns, is a man who is always studying the early social conditions of the communities of which he has become the historian, and with regard to this he contributes an interesting note to the St. Johnsbury Caledonian. He says that about 100 years ago there was in effect—or pretended effect—in the Vermont communities, the practice of official "warning out of town." This meant that when the selectmen thought that some person or persons in the town were likely to become public charges, they were empowered to have the constable leave at their places of abode a "precept" or notice warning the parties whose names were on the summons to "depart the town." It appears that in some cases it was easier thus to warn these persons than to make them get out of the town; and there was one case in St. Johnsbury which affords a curious commentary on the law. In 1815 "Joseph Fairbanks and family" were thus warned out of St. Johnsbury. They did not go; and Mr. Wells is justified in remarking that had they taken the hint that they were undesirable citizens, and departed the town, "it would have made some difference to St. Johnsbury," for the descendants of this same Joseph Fairbanks built up the scales industry upon which all the present prosperity, and certainly much more than half its population, is founded, besides endowing the town with libraries and other possessions and making it more or less famous all over the world.

Certainly the Vermont selectmen were poor judges of "gumption." They warned off the Fairbanks, and no doubt cherished certain citizens whose progeny at the present time never would be missed in the community. Mr. Wells tells of another case of warning out of the town, this time at Barnet, Vt. A man who had recently come into the town died in the year 1818, leaving a wife and five children, and the selectmen, seized with a panic lest the town would have to support the family, duly warned the widow to take her offspring and depart the town. Mr. Wells adds: "Whether the widow obeyed the precept or not I do not know, as neither records nor tradition have any further mention of them here, but from what I know of the lady she was abundantly qualified to take care of herself in Barnet or anywhere else, and the sequel shows that the children were equally able to 'keep off the town.' One of these children became a noted physician in New York; another was a lawyer in Buffalo, and a grandson was a prominent member of the convention which nominated Grover Cleveland for president in 1884 and seconded his nomination; one of the daughters married a lawyer who later was a member of the supreme court of New Hampshire; a second became a noted teacher and principal of a ladies' school. The third daughter, I think, died young."

### "The Devil's Organ."

In Diamond cave in Newton county, Arkansas, one of the innumerable caverns of the Ozarks, are many stalactite formations. At one point the stalactites, suspended from the roof of the cave, possess a strange variety and melody of tone. Those who have visited the cave say that these stalactites can be played upon as one plays upon a xylophone, and that the resultant music is unusually sweet. The place has been called "The Devil's Organ."

Diamond cave is about three and one-half miles from Jasper, county seat of Newton. The cave has been explored to a length of more than three miles. How much farther it extends between the Ozark ridges is not known. At one point in it are many mounds, presumed to be the burying places of Indians in bygone ages.

In Corncob cave, also in Newton county, the earliest settlers found great heaps of corncobs, apparently an accumulation of many years. Yet no corn was grown by Indians in the vicinity.

### Piano Had Been Covered Up.

A piano in a rosewood case that disappeared when the hotel was remodeled 20 years ago, was found the other day by workmen engaged in tearing down the old West house, at Sandusky, O. It develops that in extending the dining room a new floor was laid over a pit in what was known as the banquet hall, in which the instrument reposed.

The piano is in a good state of preservation.

### He's It, All Right.

Mrs. Brown (looking up from her novel)—What's a rubber of whist, Paul?

Mr. Brown—Probably a slang term for the pest behind the chair who points out a player's mistakes.—Buffalo Express.

### Putting Thrift in the Show Window.

When bankers began to realize some years ago that their service, like merchandise, could be shown in window displays and other exhibits, they devised many ingenious ways of window dressing.

The wisdom of saving can be demonstrated by showing how money grows through its own earning power. Interest tables are apt to be dry stuff, but people are easily interested in money itself when actual money is used instead of figures.

"System" reports an exhibit by an Eastern bank which uses actual coins and bills to show the interest earning power of savings.

"What does this suggest to you?" reads a sign in the bank window. Then there is a cent beside an hourglass, a dime beside a card marked "Today," three silver dollars beside a card reading "June," and then comes an equal sign (=) followed by $442 in currency, and an interest table for ten years. Which is a graphic way of showing that one cent an hour or dime saved every day for ten years will amount to $360, and that the interest on such a nest egg amounts to $82—total $442.

Good window dressing along this line is playing an important part in the national thrift movement centered on War Savings Stamps.

Such teaching of thrift through object lessons is no longer limited to banks and thrift institutions, but can be carried into shops, factories, schools, and even churches—every place where people organize to save money and invest in Thrift Stamps. The growth of money invested in stamps can be shown by the stamps themselves, in connection with coins and bills.

One interesting display made recently in a factory cafeteria, behind a glass frame, showed sixteen quarters, a dime and two pennies under the legend "Today," while an arrow pointed from this money to another ledgend "New Year's day 1924," with exactly sixteen quarters, a dime and two cents. Underneath the first arrangement of coins were sixteen Thrift Stamps, with a dime and two cents, then an equal mark, followed by a War Savings Stamp, and the arrow pointed to a $5 bill under the coins on the opposite side.

This was a graphic way of showing that $4.12 in itself would not grow at all during five years, whereas invested in Thrift Stamps it will earn nearly another dollar.

Objective stimulate thrift. People usually save money most systematically when they have a clear purpose. The objective may be education for one's self or children, a home, a turn-around fund, a vacation or marriage. These objectives can be visualized. For example, education means increased earning power. Four Thrift Stamps a week put aside by a school boy or a mechanic and invested in technical training may easily double one's earnings, and allow a progressive increase through life. This can be shown in a series of actual salary checks for a term of years, one set remaining at the same level of earnings, and the other constantly increasing. A home, vacation, a wedding, and other objectives can be visualized in concrete ways.

### Bill to Stop Outrages.

As the result of bomb outrages menacing the government of the United States, Senator Harry New, of Indiana, has introduced a bill in the Senate to deal with the "reds" with the utmost severity.

Under the bill it is provided that the display, exhibition or appearance of a red flag, red banner or a red emblem, or a black flag, banner or emblem, or meeting or parade, held for the purpose of political discussion is declared unlawful. The display of any such flag, banner, or emblem in connection with the American flag is also declared unlawful. The advocacy by speech or writing of the overthrow by violence or any other unlawful means of the representative form of government now secured to citizens of the United States by the constitutions of the United States and the several States is declared unlawful. Organization having as their object the overthrow of the government by violent means is also declared unlawful. Any person convicted for violation of these provisions to be fined $5,000 or imprisoned for five years or both.

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Respectfully,
**T. FRANK SEWARD,**
5-15] Treasurer of Caroline County.

### Auditor's Order Nisi.

Albert G. Towers, Assignee,
vs.
Jacob E. Ellwanger.
Viola C. Ellwangea, his wife.

In the Circuit Court for Caroline county. In Equity. No. 1911.

Ordered, this 9th day of June, 1919, that the Auditor's Report made and filed in the above entitled cause, be ratified and confirmed unless good cause to the contrary be shown within three weeks from the 12th day of June, 1919, provided a copy of this order be inserted in some newspaper printed and published in Caroline county, once in each of two successive weeks before the 20th day of June, 1919.

LAWRENCE B. TOWERS,
True Copy—Test: Clerk,
LAWRENCE B. TOWERS,
6-12] Clerk.


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### Better Care of Sheep Pays.

Seven farm sheep demonstrations were held last year in Missouri—flock owners cooperating with sheep specialists of the United States Department of Agriculture and the State Agricultural College—the results of which, among other things, showed that it pays well to give sheep proper care. In two of the demonstrations, where grade animals were kept, one flock produced 108 per cent of lambs, which means that some of the ewes had twin lambs, while the other flock produced only 59 per cent of lambs, which means that a large number of the ewes did not produce any or that the lambs were too weak at birth to be saved. The wool from the first was sold at 66 cents a pound, while the wool from the second flock brought 64 cents a pound. The cost of feed of the first flock amounted to $7.05 for each animal, while the sheep of the second flock were fed at a cost of $1.34 each. The total cost, in the first flock amounted to $8.36 an animal, as compared to $2.57 for the second flock. But the net profit a head the point which is most important to all sheep raised was $5.74 in the first flock as compared to $2.22 in the second flock, and the net return on the investment amounted to 21.77 per cent in the first flock as compared to 15.23 per cent in the second flock.

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