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29 Dearborn Street

Built for
Walter T. Berry
Grocer
& his wife
Adelaide S. Warner
in 1911

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History of 29 Dearborn St., Salem, Mass.

Owners & Occupants



Photo of Eleanor Berry (1907-1996), who resided here with her parents.
From Wheaton College yearbook, class of 1929

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by Robert Booth, April, 2019

According to available evidence, this house was built in 1911 for Walter T. Berry, grocer, and wife Adelaide S. Warner.

Walter and Adelaide purchased the lot here on June 24, 1911, from Frank E. Locke (ED 2085:51). The land, which had formerly been part of the extensive orchards of Robert Manning (Hawthorne's uncle and guardian), was described as bounding s.e. on Dearborn Street 50', s.w. on land of Williams 100', n.w. 50' on land of Locke, and n.e. 100' on land of Locke. The deed had some restrictions to ensure setback and sidelines of any new house, which would not exceed two and a half stories in height nor be occupied by more than two families.

The house was probably built right away, in the summer and fall of 1911, in the so-called Queen Ann style. It evidently had a tenant apartment from the outset. The real-estate valuations of Salem (ward 6, precinct two), taken in April, 1912, show Adelaide Berry as the owner of the new house at 29 Dearborn Street: it was valued at \$5200 and its lot at \$800.

Walter Thomas Berry (1871-1947) was a not a native of Salem. He was born at Georgetown, Sagadahoc County, Maine, on March 23, 1871, the fourth and last child of Leander Berry & Temperance (Snowman) Berry. In 1880, when Walter was nine, his parents, Leander, 59, was a Georgetown trader (likely a grocer), and wife Tempy W., 52, was a homemaker.

Walter grew up in Georgetown, Maine, and probably grew to adulthood there. In his twenties he moved to Cambridge, Mass., and worked as a bookkeeper; but he had a sweetheart in Harpswell, Maine: on Oct. 26, 1897, Ella Randall, a school teacher, married him. Both were 26. Ella was the daughter of George C. Randall & Annie M. Everett of Harpswell.

Soon Ella was pregnant. Before the baby came, Mrs. Ella M. (Randall) Berry, 28, died at Cambridge on Jan. 28, 1899, of heart disease and the grippe. The effect on Walter and her loved ones may be imagined. He moved back to Maine, and in 1900 was working as a clerk in Bath and boarding in the Luce house at 80 Elm Street (1900 census, house 51). Soon after, evidently, he moved to Salem.

Salem, the seat of Essex County and once a great seaport in the early 1800s, had become a manufacturing city with much retail and wholesale business as well. In the period just before Walter Berry's arrival, Salem had many new businesses; and many established businesses were expanding. Retail stores and banks prospered; horse-drawn trolleys ran every which-way; and machinists, carpenters, millwrights, and other specialists all thrived.

In the 1890s, Salem's cotton-cloth mills at The Point employed 1400 people who produced about 19 million yards annually, worth about \$1.5 million. Most of them were French-speaking immigrants from Canada. The city's large shoe factories stood downtown behind the railroad depot, on Dodge and Lafayette Streets, and at Castle Hill (Jefferson Avenue vicinity). A jute bagging company prospered with plants on Skerry Street and English Street; its products were sent south to be used in cotton-baling. Most of the tanneries stood on or near Boston Street. Salem factories also produced lead, paint, and oil. At the Eastern Railroad yard on Bridge Street, cars were repaired and even built new. The streets were lit at night by electricity.

More factories and more people required more space for buildings, more roads, and more storage areas. This space was created by filling in rivers, harbors, and ponds. The once-broad North River was filled from both shores and became a canal along Bridge Street above the North Bridge. The large and beautiful Mill Pond, which occupied the whole area between the present Jefferson Avenue, Canal Street, and Loring Avenue, finally vanished beneath streets, storage areas, junk-yards, and rail-yards. The South River, too, with its epicenter at Central Street (the Custom House had opened there in 1805) disappeared under the pavement, and some of its old wharves were joined together with much in-fill and turned into coal-yards and lumber-yards. Only a canal was left, running in from Derby and Central Wharves to Lafayette Street.

Walter T. Berry, 31, of Salem, working as an assistant secretary in 1902, married (in Leominster) on December 2, 39-year-old Adelaide Sarah Warner, a Salem school teacher. Adelaide (1863-1945) was born in Westminster, Mass., daughter of Dr. Clinton W. Warner and Sarah C. Cummings. Her older brother, Chester, had died at eight in 1867, and she had an older sister, Mary Abbie; two younger siblings had died young. Adelaide was educated at Mount Holyoke College (as was Mary Abbie), class of 1886, and taught at Woonsocket, RI, before coming to Salem.

On April 10, 1907, at Boston, Adelaide (Warner) Berry gave birth to a daughter, whom they named Eleanor Warner.

By 1908 Walter was working as a clerk in Boston and the family resided in Salem at 36½ Buffum Street (per Directory). In 1910 Walter gave up the commute and became a grocer with his own store at 18 School Street, Salem. The store had housed a grocery for nearly 35 years (see advertisement from 1910 Naumkeag Directory); he took a partner, Henry C. Edwards, who lived at 24 Symonds Street. The 1910 census shows the Berry family on Buffum Street: Eleanor, 8, Adelaide P., 46, and Walter, 39, grocer.

As has been mentioned, the Berrys had the house at 29 Dearborn Street built in 1911. In 1912, Walter T. Berry (no occupation listed) and family resided here (#29) with tenants Ella C. Ball, a teacher at the Pickering school (evidently she was a close friend of the Berrys), and William H. Rowbotham (and family), a superintendent at the tannery of the Bay State Belting Company (50 Grove), which was owned by his brother George R. Rowbotham of Boston (per Naumkeag Directory).

Salem kept growing. The Canadians were followed in the early 20th century by large numbers of Polish and Ukrainian families, who settled primarily in the Derby Street neighborhood, and by Sicilians, in the High Street neighborhood. By the eve of World War One, the bustling, polyglot city supported large department stores and factories of every description. People from the surrounding towns, and Marblehead in particular, came to Salem to do their shopping; and its handsome government buildings, as befit the county seat, were busy with conveyances of land, lawsuits, and probate proceedings. The city's politics were lively, and its economy was strong.

On June 25, 1914, in the morning, in Blubber Hollow (Boston Street at Proctor), a fire started in small wooden shoe factory. This fire soon raced out of control, for the west wind was high and the season had been dry. Out of Blubber Hollow the fire roared easterly, a monstrous front of flame and smoke, wiping out the houses of Boston Street, Essex Street, and upper Broad, and then sweeping through Hathorne, Winthrop, Endicott, and other residential streets. Men and machines could not stop it: the enormous fire crossed over into South Salem and destroyed the neighborhoods west of Lafayette Street, then devoured the mansions of Lafayette Street itself, and raged onward into the tenement district of The Point. Despite the combined efforts of heroic fire crews from many towns and cities, the fire overwhelmed everything in its path: the Naumkeag Steam Cotton Company factory complex exploded in an inferno.

At Derby Street, just beyond Union, after a 13-hour rampage, the monster died, having consumed 250 acres, 1600 houses, and 41 factories, and leaving three dead and thousands homeless. Some people had insurance, some did not; all received much support and generous donations from all

over the country and the world. It was one of the greatest urban disasters in the history of the United States. Salem soon recovered; and several urban-renewal projects (including Hawthorne Boulevard, which involved removing old houses and widening old streets) were put into effect.

William Rowbotham, born in Quebec in 1876, had come to Salem in 1900 and joined St. Peter's Episcopal Church, where he became a vestryman. He married and was father of a daughter, and was a much-admired businessman, running the tannery owned by his brothers. In November, 1915, the Rowbothams had left #29 and moved into a new house nearby on Orne Street. Sadly, in December Mr. Rowbotham became afflicted with a brain disease; and he died at forty on Jan. 29, 1916.

In 1916 Walter Berry worked as a clerk at the Merchants National Bank, and the tenants here were Mrs. Lyman (Annie M. Muchmore) Holman, and her grown children (boarding here) were Lyman Holman Jr., a clerk; Pauline, a clerk at Parker Brothers games (90 Bridge); Ruth; and Joseph R., a driver (per Naumkeag Directory). She had two other adult children, a son Theodore in the French army, and a deceased daughter, Mrs. Fannie Perley. Annie's late husband, Lyman Holman (1854-1910), a native of Salem, had been a prominent businessman, engaged in real-estate development and the moving of buildings, as had his father. Annie had grown up on Church Street, the daughter of George R. Muchmore & Jeanette Norie; by 1916 her sister, Mrs. Georgette Reeves, was living in the house on Church Street.

In 1918, Walter Berry was listed as "army secretary" by occupation; this was a probably a war-related job (per Naumkeag Directory). The World War ended late in 1918. In November, 1919, he bought from Lizzie Ropes the buildings and land at the corner of Dearborn and Southwick Streets, across the street from #29 (ED 2430:519). This appears to be an investment; he sold the buildings and a piece of that land late in 1920; and in April, 1923, he would sell the rest of the land (ED 2472:154; 2551:159).

In 1920 (per census and directory) Walter T. Berry, 45, working as a clerk-accountant at Merchants National Bank, resided here (#29) with wife Adelaide 53, and daughter Eleanor, thirteen; the tenants were George McAnaul, 34, born in Mass. of Scottish parents, wife Sophia, 34 (born in Canada of Scottish parents), and young daughters Mary and Ruth. George was a manager at Ruggles & Klingman Manufacturing Co. (Foster's Court), makers of power-plant specialty equipment (per Naumkeag Directory).

On May 31, 1923, the Berrys sold the homestead to Albert L. Haines and wife Nellie (ED 2555:364). The Haineses moved in, and the Berrys continued to reside here too. In 1926 Walter T. Berry (wife Adelaide) was

Assistant Vault Officer at the bank; the teacher Ella C. Ball was back as a boarder, and Albert L. Haines was working as a B & M Railroad brakeman (Naumkeag Directory).

The Berrys' subsequent life is summarized here. They purchased a homestead at 5 Saltonstall Parkway and resided there with their daughter and their retired teacher friend. Miss Ball was 68 in 1930: Walter Berry, 59, was working as a bolt-shop manager, Adelaide, 66, was at home, and Eleanor, 23, was working as a file clerk at a court house. A recent graduate of Wheaton College (class of 1929), Eleanor (1907-1996) evidently was devoted to her parents. Sometime between 1935 and 1940, the family moved to Leominster (with Miss Ball), and Mr. Berry worked there in 1940 (per census) as a bank manager. Mrs. Adelaide S. (Warner) Berry would die in April 1945, in her 82d year, in Westminster, Mass., the town of her birth. Eleanor, 39, married (Jan. 15, 1946) Burland H. Hawkes, a businessman of Biddeford, Maine.

Walter T. Berry would die on Oct. 28, 1947, aged seventy-six; his remains were interred with those of his wife at Woodside Cemetery, Westminster.

The new owner of the homestead, Albert Leslie Haines, was (in 1909) working as a yard brakeman for the Boston & Maine, when, on June 2, he, aged 29, had married Nellie Augusta Lane, 33, a Salem housekeeper. Neither was native to Salem: Nellie was born in Hampton Falls, NH, while Albert came from Fort Fairfield, Maine, the son of John W. & Margaret Haines. Nellie was the daughter of Charles W. Lane & Martha Brown. In 1920 Albert & Nellie had resided at 56 Essex Street, Albert working as a railroad brakeman, Nellie at home (per census, house 201, DD 5, ED 260). They had no children.

By 1920 Salem was once again a thriving city; and its tercentenary in 1926 was a time of great celebration. The Depression hit in 1929, and continued through the 1930s. Salem, the county seat and regional retail center, gradually rebounded.

In 1930, the house was occupied by Albert Haines, 48, railroad brakeman, and wife Nellie, 54, and boarders Bessie G. Mackintire, 49, a chief clerk, and Clara G. Muirhead, 68, the Nova Scotia-born widow of William Muirhead (per census and directory). Mrs. Muirhead would move to 9 Summer Street and die there in 1942. In 1935, Albert Haines, working as a yard helper at the B&M Railroad, resided here with wife Nellie; tenant Bessie G. Mackintire was working as a stenographer at Mutual Fire Inspection Bureau of New England (per directory).

The 1940 census lists the sole occupancy of Albert, 58, and Nellie A., 64.

In 1947 (per Naumkeag Directory) the house was occupied by Albert L. Haines and wife Nellie A., and also by Roy F. Miller, working in Boston as a clerk at Railway Express Company, and wife Mary V.

Salem prospered after World War II through the 1950s and into the 1960s. General Electric, Sylvania, Parker Brothers, Pequot Mills (formerly Naumkeag Steam Cotton Co.), Almy's and Newmark's and Webber's department stores, various other retailers, and Beverly's United Shoe Machinery Company were all major local employers.

After the deaths of the Haineses, the homestead was conveyed in September, 1967, to Mary and husband Henry L. Andrews (ED 5474:222). Mr. Andrews, a supervisor at a manufacturer, died on Aug. 16, 1970; and in December, 1975, Mary (now Mrs. Melia, of Hull) sold the premises to for \$44,000 to Cynthia and husband Kenneth Tache (ED 8507:26).

In February, 1986, 29 Dearborn was made a two-unit condominium.

Since that time, ownership has changed frequently in Unit 2. 1990 Gulas to Marianne F. Leahy; 2000 Leahy to Dennis Menard; 2001 Menard to M/M Michael S Woods; 2002 Woodses to James & Cynthia Jackson; 2005 Jacksons to Jennifer Moore; 2009 Moore to Arthur Freitas and Kayla Kirkpatrick, who in May, 2015, sold the same to Patrick Joy and Jessica A. Smetano (ED 34066:26).

Glossary & Sources

A figure like (ED 123:45) refers to book 123, page 45, Essex South Registry of Deeds.

A figure like (#12345) refers to Essex Probate case 12345, on file at the Essex Probate Court, or on microfilm at Mass. Archives, Boston, or at the Peabody Essex Museum's Phillips Library, Rowley.

MSSRW refers to the multi-volume compendium, *Mass. Soldiers & Sailors in the Revolutionary War*, at the Salem Public Library among other places.

MSSCRW refers to the multi-volume compendium, *Mass. Soldiers, Sailors, & Marines in the Civil War*, at the Salem Public Library among other places.

EIHC refers to the Essex Institute Historical Collections (discontinued), a multi-volume set (first volume published in 1859) of data and articles about Essex County. The indices of the EIHC have been consulted regarding many of the people associated with this house.

The six-volume published Salem Vital Records (marriages, births, and deaths through 1849) have been consulted, and the Salem Directory and later Naumkeag Directory, with data about residents and their addresses, etc.

Sidney Perley's three-volume *History of Salem, 1626-1716*, has been consulted, as has the four-volume *William Bentley's Diary*, J. Duncan Phillips' books, some newspapers, and other sources.

Salem real estate valuations, and, where applicable, Salem Street Books, have also been consulted, as have genealogies, and the Salem/Naumkeag Directories.

There is much more material available about Salem and its history; and the reader is encouraged to make his or her own discoveries.

--Robert Booth

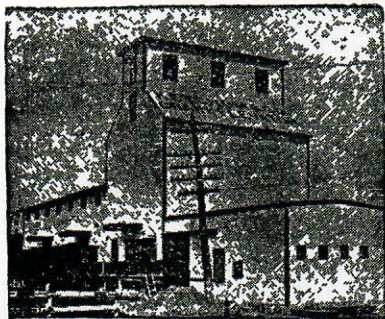
Know all men by these presents that I, Frank E. Locke, of Salem, in the County of Essex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, in consideration of one dollar

F. E. Locke
to
A. W. Berry
(w. 3 B.)

2085:51

and other valuable considerations, paid by Adelaide W. Berry, wife of Walter T. Berry, of said Salem, the receipt whereof is hereby acknowledged, do hereby give, grant, bargain, sell and convey unto the said Adelaide W. Berry, a certain lot of land, situated in said Salem, and bounded southeasterly by Dearborn street fifty (50) feet, southwesterly by land of Maria J. Williams one hundred (100) feet, northwesterly by land of grantor fifty (50) feet and northeasterly by land of grantor one hundred (100) feet. The premises are hereby conveyed subject to the following restrictions. No building or part thereof, except fences, coverings, steps, verandas, piazzas or porches, shall be erected or maintained on said land within ten feet of Dearborn street nor five feet of the side line of the said lot and no building shall be erected on said premises more than two and a half stories in height nor for more than two families; except that an ordinary bay window may project into said ten feet space from the southeastern end of said house. To have and to hold the granted premises, with all the privileges and appurtenances thereto belonging, to the said Adelaide W. Berry and her heirs and assigns, to their own use and behoof forever. And I hereby, for myself and my heirs, executors, and administrators, covenant with the grantee and her heirs and assigns that I am lawfully seized in fee simple of the granted premises; that they are free from all incumbrances; except as aforesaid; that I have good right to sell and convey the same as aforesaid; and that I will and my heirs, executors, and administrators shall warrant and defend the same to the grantee and his heirs and assigns forever against the lawful claims and demands of all persons. And for the consideration aforesaid I, Florence M. Locke, wife of said Frank E. Locke, do hereby release unto the said grantee and her heirs and assigns all right of or to both dower and homestead in the granted premises, and all other rights and interests therein. In witness whereof we the said Frank E. Locke and Florence M. Locke hereunto set our hands and seals this eighth day of June, in the year one thousand nine hundred and eleven
Signed and sealed in pres. } Frank E. Locke seal
of Sidney Perley to F. E. L. } Florence M. Locke seal

Commonwealth of Massachusetts Essex Co.
June 24, 1911. Then personally appeared the above named Frank E. Locke and acknowledged the foregoing instrument to be his free act and deed.
Before me, Sidney Perley, Justice of the Peace.
Essex Rec'd June 24, 1911. 47 m past 9 a. m. Recorded & Examined.



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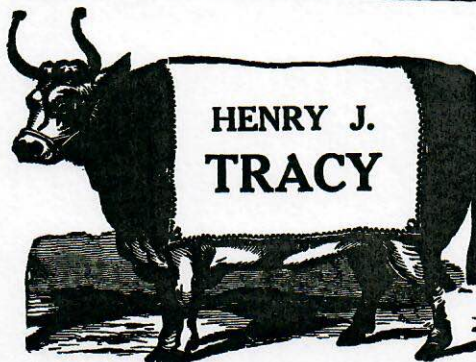
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Morris Hess, hide dealer, with main office at New York City, has spent a couple of weeks now in the Chicago market.

Louis Weller, member of Chas. Friend & Co., large Chicago hide dealer, has returned from an eastern trip.

August Chandonne, big buyer of raw calfskins for the Ohio Leather Co., of Girard, Ohio, was in the Chicago market one day last week.

Fred Dorner, of Dennett & Prince, St. Louis dealers in leather, visited his old acquaintances in the Chicago trade for the first time in several months.

Rushing Work on Tannery

Work on the new tannery of the Wilder Tanning Co. of Waukegan, Ill., is being rushed just as fast as it possibly can. The hide house has already been completed as far as the outside structure is concerned and other billings are going up as quick as men and machinery can make them. There are over 300 men employed in the building operations now, and the company is hiring new ones every day. Three shifts are being worked, eight hours each, and every minute utilized.

The Wilder Tanning Co. last week moved their offices to the People's Life Building, Fifth and Randolph streets, Chicago, where they have a large suite on the 9th floor. The president, Emory Wilder, and other executives have their headquarters located there, as well as S. E. Germain, the hide buyer for the concern.

BOSTON AND NEW ENGLAND

New Buyer for Sears-Roebuck

Fred Kelley has resigned his position as buyer for the Sears-Roebuck Co. in Boston. It is announced that Mr. Kelley's successor is R. J. McNally, formerly of Kelly-Buckley Co., shoe manufacturers, Brockton.

Rough But Safe

Henry Holder, European agent for the Turner Tanning Machinery Company, cabled last week his safe arrival at Bordeaux, France, after a rough voyage.

In New York Market

Thomas F. Travers, of Travers Shoe Co., Lynn, is in New York Market this week.

Shoe Man Recovering

William T. Varina, of the Woodbury Shoe Company, Beverly, is recovering from a severe attack of pneumonia.

New Club House

Frank H. Gage, of Rousmaniere, Williams Co., Boston, is president of the new Neighborhood club, at Phillips' beach, a residential section of the North Shore. William L. Terhune, retired trade paper publisher, is vice-president; Frank E. Wright, Boston leather merchant, and Everit B. Terhune, are directors. The club dedicated a new club house on Monday.

Tanner Dined

Jacob C. Benz, of the Benz Kid Co., was given a dinner, by friends, just before his departure on a southern trip last week. Thomas Welch, of the Welch Shoe Co., Lynn, was toastmaster at the dinner. Among the speakers were Louis M. Winslow, of Lynn, Joseph Rhinehart, and William Lewis, of New York, all kid leather merchants, and Henry C. Atwill, attorney general of Massachusetts.

Death of Superintendent

Wm. H. Rowbotham, superintendent of the tannery of the Bay State Belting Co., Salem, died Saturday morning, after a illness of eight weeks, from an abscess at the base of the brain. He was 40 years old and had been superintendent of the tannery in Salem for 16 years. He is a brother of Arthur H. Rowbotham, president of the company.

Addition to Machine Shop

Turner Tanning Machinery Co. is to build a machine shop in addition to its plant in Peabody. It is running its present plant to capacity, and some departments it is operating nights.

Lecture on Leather

William Armstrong, of the Armstrong Leather Mart, Salem, lectured on the development of the leather trade before the Essex Institute, Salem, Monday evening.

To Build Factories

Carr Leather Co. plan to build a tannery on Blarney's

field, off Washington street, Peabody. They will not rebuild their tannery on Boston street, Salem, which was burned, but will put up a large brick factory, to be leased.

Buys Factory

Thomas H. O'Shea, manufacturer of India leather, has purchased the Jacobs factory, Main street, Peabody, and has started to fit it up for the manufacture of India leather. His own factory on Grove street was burned a while ago. The factory was last occupied by P. Lennox & Co. Mr. O'Shea will put in a steam heating plant, and will take electric power from the town. Later, he will build a steam plant.

Day and Night

B. N. Moore & Sons, Peabody leather manufacturers, find successful their experiment of running their shop nights. They also are keeping their Boston store open all night.

White Sole Leather

George C. Vaughan is making 1200 sides of white sole leather a day at his tannery in Peabody. The demand for this leather is large, and all reserve stocks have been cleaned out. Mr. Vaughan is cutting up a lot of leather into soles, as well as selling it in the sides.

Hospital President

Matthew Robson, veteran tanner of Salem, and director of the American Hide & Leather Company, has been elected president of Salem Hospital. Mr. Robson is now over eighty, but he does not hesitate to take the presidency of the hospital, with its responsibility for building a group of new hospital buildings.

Shoe Trade Schools

A substantial step towards starting shoe trade schools seems to have been taken by Lynn. It proposes to start a school, under the direction of a board of trustees, to be made up of shoe men and educators. This will separate the school from the public school system, and it will put it on a basis for independent development. The school will have a practise department, equipped with machinery, and class rooms for the study of the theory of shoemaking. A bill before the legislature provides for establishing such a school. Action on the bill has been delayed at the request of Brockton representatives, who wish to see if the bill cannot be applied to a shoe trade school in Brockton.

A Class in Spanish

With the hope of preparing for a development of Latin American trade, Lynn Chamber of Commerce has started a class in Spanish. Dr. James H. Worman, of the Spanish department of the Massachusetts Board of Education, is director.

New Wood Heel Firm

The Glines Wood Heel Co. is a new concern recently established at 112 Phoenix Row, Haverhill, Mass., for the manufacture of wood heels. This concern is owned by John A. Glines, who was superintendent for a number of years of the Chas. K. Fox Heel Co., and has been for the last two years a member of the American Wood Heel Co. Mr. Glines has taken the entire fourth floor at the above address, and is equipping with up-to-date materials of every description. His machinery will be motor driven.

Robert W. Griffith, sales manager of the tanning extract department of the Champion Fibre Co., Canton, N. C., is visiting the Boston and New York markets.

Will Sell for Eilers & Marsh Leather Co.

James J. McCarthy, who has been associated at different times with Barry & Keyes, Weber Leather Co., and for the past six years with Wright & Wright, Inc., has taken charge of the split department of the Eilers & Marsh Leather Co. of Boston. This line consists of ooze splits for button fly and quarter linings, gussets, etc.

Cincinnati Visitor

P. A. Henry, the Cincinnati leather dealer, called on his friends in the local trade this week.

Takes Pleasure Trip

Elmer J. Bliss, president of the Regal Shoe Co., sailed Saturday for the West Indies on the United Fruit Co.'s steamer "Pastores." This is the first cruise to this territory ever made by a boat sailing under the American

FLOOD VICTIMS IN ARKANSAS

Seven Dead in Watson and Scores Rescued from Tree-tops, Where They Had Taken Refuge from the Water.

Arkansas City, Ark., Jan. 23.—Seven persons are dead, some of the streets of Watson are under 15 feet of water and thousands of acres of land in the rural district about that town were inundated today as the result of the floods. A family of six including the father, mother and four children were drowned last night in Watson.

F. H. Fuller, an oil salesman, was drowned late yesterday when trying to ford the Caddon river.

A rescue party has reached here with 50 men, women and children who were taken from the roofs of houses and tree-tops near Watson.

At Redford 700 persons were being cared for after they had fled safely from the flooded section.

Many of the families who reached that city were compelled to flee hurriedly when a section of the levee at Watson gave way and a wall of water 18 feet high rushed upon the town.

Conditions along the Arkansas, White and St. Francis rivers were alarming today. Pine Bluffs was threatened with floods because of the weakened condition of the levee. Large forces of men were at work strengthening the wall.

CALIFORNIA DAM BREAKS

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list might exceed the coroner's estimate of 50.

TODAY'S PROCEEDINGS.

Providence, Jan. 23.—On re-direct examination, Mrs. Mohr's rebuttal of the state's insinuation that Dr. Mohr never admitted their marriage was a letter from her husband to her brother-in-law, E. J. Sullivan, of Fall River, Mass.

The predicted "fireworks" in the re-direct bid fair to "dia a-borning" when Justice Stearns ruled out a letter from Mohr to Sullivan.

However, when Cushing explained its nature and bearing, the court reversed himself.

The letter from Mohr to Sullivan, dated March fifth, 1909, in part follows:

"I am rather surprised to learn you so betrayed a trust. I am not in the mud-slinging business but if you

DROPPED DEAD IN FOREMAN'S ARMS

John McCarthy of North Beverly Passed Away at United Shoe Machinery Plant in Beverly This Morning.

Beverly, Jan. 23.—John McCarthy, aged 53, of North Beverly, employed at C. One, small parts, shipping department of the United Shoe Machinery plant, dropped dead at 9 o'clock this morning at the plant. He had complained of feeling poorly early in the day and at 3 o'clock had gone to the Shoe hospital for treatment. He was treated there and immediately returned to work. At work he said he felt a little better. At about 9 o'clock he suffered another attack, presumably heart failure, and was on his way to the hospital with his foreman, Charles Abbott. He had just about reached the door of the plant's hospital when he stiffened out in the arms of Mr. Abbott and died.

The dead man was hurriedly taken inside the hospital, where a lungmotor was put to work on him. The effort was of no avail as McCarthy had died.

DIED AFTER A LONG ILLNESS

William H. Rowbotham, A Prominent Manufacturer and Mason of This City, Ill Since December.

William H. Rowbotham died at his home, 40 Orne street, this forenoon, after an illness of eight weeks, during which he was a great sufferer. He was superintendent of the Bay State Belting company, of which his brother is president. He was born in Quebec 40 years ago, and had been a resident of Salem 16 years. He was a member of Starr King lodge, A. F. & A. M., Salem Chamber of Commerce, a vestryman of St. Peter's church, and he had a host of friends who greatly esteemed him. He built a fine house on Orne street and moved into it last November, and soon after became ill. He was devoted to his family and home. He leaves a widow, a daughter, four brothers and two sisters.

MEETING DATES

PEABODY

More Money Sought for Schools; Dr. Cabot's Address; Rep. Sherry Absolved of Blame; Locals.

Peabody, Jan. 23.—The finance committee met last evening and heard from the school, electric light and assessors' departments. The school department asks for \$118,280 for the current year. Last year its regular appropriation was \$97,000, and with the additions its received from specials during the year, it expended \$107,871.68. The additional amount asked for this year is to provide for special repairs and improvements in school buildings. The schools also have seven more teachers than they had at the beginning of the year and will add four more before the year out.

The electric light department asked for some special appropriations. It will turn back to the town treasury \$3000, but the commissioners claim that no one has the right to spend the earnings of that department but the commissioners themselves.

The assessors asked for a small increase on account of increased valuation.

The expenditures of the school department have more than doubled in 12 years.

The Kerwin Fund.

Treasurer J. F. Morland acknowledges the following subscriptions to the fund for the benefit of the family of William H. Kerwin, who was killed at the O'Shea fire:

Hook & Ladder Co. No. One, \$70; board of engineers, \$25; W. F. Sawyer, Alonzo Raddin, H. S. Isenberg, H. E. Raymond, Joseph Robinson, M. Halpern, W. A. Phillips, Joe Levin, J. F. Cassidy and cash, \$1 each; G. H. Curtis, \$2; F. Halpern 50 cents; B. Krasnogor, Louis Cohen, Peter Koatowski, 25 cents each; total, \$108.50.

Dr. Cabot at Woman's Club.

At the Woman's club yesterday afternoon Dr. Richard C. Cabot spoke on "Law, heroism and miracles."

Dr. Cabot is a finished and most cultured speaker and his lecture was a wonderful work of deep thinking, terse statements and logical expressions driven home by such plain examples as to make a lasting impression on his hearers. The whole was worked up in such beautiful English that there seemed to be not a superfluous word.

He said that we have every reason to expect miracles today just as much as they had in Christ's time, if the laws of nature are obeyed, and only by studying and obeying laws can miracles be worked.

The American people, as a rule, he said, are "too busy till they become sleepy, and then too sleepy till they become busy again" to be workers of miracles. Law and miracles go hand in hand. Miracles begin when law

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Lyman Holman



WE should not forget those who, although unobtrusive in their everyday life, yet by their individuality and great force of character mold the commercial destinies and give tone to the communities in which they live. Among the citizens of the city of Salem, Massachusetts, who have achieved distinction in business entitling them to be placed among the representative men of the community, there are some, whose quiet perseverance, in a particular pursuit, while it excites little notice from the great masses, as the years pass by, yet results in elevating them to positions enviable in the eyes of their fellow-men, and as lasting as well merited. In an extended search it would be difficult to find one who would be a better example than the late Lyman Holman, who gained success in life that is not measured by financial prosperity alone, but is gauged by the kindly and congenial associations that go toward satisfying man's nature. His name ever stood as a synonym for all that was enterprising in business and progressive in citizenship, and his industry, energy, courage and fidelity to principle were illustrated in his career. His death, which occurred in Salem, Massachusetts, September 10, 1910, removed from the city of his birth a business man of marked force and energy, and one who possessed sterling personal qualities.

The birth of Lyman Holman occurred in Salem, Massachusetts, January 6, 1854, the son of Lyman and Fannie (Smith) Holman, both being of English descent. The progenitor of this family first settled in Orange, Massachusetts, and then came the father of Lyman Holman and his two brothers, from the port of London, and likewise settled in Orange, the one brother going to New York, the other to the State of New Hampshire. They first landed at Shiprock, Lynn, Massachusetts, where soon after they separated, each one seeking a home in a different state. Lyman Holman, Sr., later went to Salem, Massachusetts, where he settled permanently, and became a mover of buildings and other large edifices. Contracts were awarded to him from all parts of the State of Massachusetts, and he was looked up to as a conscientious business man, and one whose word was as good as his bond. Both he and his wife died in Salem.

Lyman Holman, Jr., was one of eight children, of whom five grew to maturity. His early childhood and youth were spent in the acquirement of an excellent education, first at the old Hacker public school on Aborn street, Salem, and later at Dummer Academy, and in this way was well equipped to start life's battle. He was the youngest of the family, and the only son who entered into business with his father, which he did at the age of seventeen years, learning the business in every detail. At the death of his father, he be-

came the successor, and the business under his careful management prospered and steadily increased. It is interesting to note that his first team were a pair of oxen, and he delighted in relating his many experiences of those days of long ago. He became well known all over the State of Massachusetts, and his own labors constituted the secure foundation upon which he built his success. His name was known and recognized in the highest circles of the business world as that of a man to be trusted and one with whom it was a satisfaction to transact business. After carrying on this business for a few years, Mr. Holman retired, and gave his entire attention and time to the cultivation and improvement of his fine farm. He was one of the larger real estate owners in Salem, being the owner of several houses there, and his relations with his tenants might be called benevolently feudal. He also owned real estate in Danvers, Peabody and Middleton, Massachusetts. On October 21, 1880, Lyman Holman was united in marriage with Annie M. Muchmore, who was born in Salem, Massachusetts, a daughter of George Richard and Jeanette (Norie) Muchmore, both being of old Scotch families, dating back to the time of Lord Muckelmore. The Muchmore coat-of-arms is as follows:

Arms—Argent, three martlets gules.

Crest—A moorcock proper in grass and reeds.

George Richard Muchmore was born in Salem, and died there in the same house on Church street in which he was born. Mrs. Muchmore was born in Halifax, and to Mr. and Mrs. Muchmore two children were born, namely, Annie M., who is now Mrs. Lyman Holman, and Georgette, who is the widow of Howard Reeves, and is living in the old home on Church street in Salem, which was built over two hundred years ago. Mr. and Mrs. Holman were the parents of eight children, as follows: Fannie, who died in infancy; Joseph R., who was united in marriage with May Edgar; Fannie May, deceased, who became the wife of Frank Perley, and they were the parents of three children; Theodore, who is now in the French army; Pauline, now Mrs. Harry Skeffington; Lena, who became the wife of H. Raymond Allen, residing in Providence, Rhode Island, and they are the parents of one daughter, Barbara; Ruth Stockwell, now Mrs. Edward Slattery; and Lyman. Since the death of her husband Mrs. Holman has continued to live at No. 29 Dearborn street, Salem, Massachusetts.

Mr. Holman was a man of rare courtesy and kindly feelings towards all, and no one ever came in contact with him who did not realize and admire his many splendid qualities. A strong will and a loving, gentle and unselfish nature, firm convictions and high ideals, were characteristics of his. His loss was keenly and deeply felt by the entire community, and left a vacant place in so many hearts. The Rev. De Witt Clark officiated at the funeral, and the interment was at Harmony Grove.

Mr. Holman was ever faithful to life's nearest duties, and faithful to both the demands of his work and his home. He was essentially a "home man,"

for his inclinations always brought him to the home circle and there lay his chief recreation in the society of his wife and children. Regarded as a citizen and in his social relations, he belonged to that useful and helpful type of men whose ambitions and desires are centered and directed in those channels through which flow the greatest and most permanent benefits to the greatest number. He had many friends, probably because to that strong and essential honesty that is the very foundation of social life he added a toleration of others that drew all men towards him, as to one they instinctively recognized as a faithful friend, and such he truly was. To illustrate that he was socially inclined, Mr. Holman was a very prominent Mason, a Mason of high degree, exemplifying the true principles of that order, and was also a Shriner and a Knight Templar. He was an honored business man of Salem, Massachusetts, and by his own honorable exertions and moral attributes he gained for himself all that a man could desire. Public-spirited in the highest degree, he was ever forward in encouraging those enterprises which would in any way advance the interests of the community in which he lived.

The career of Lyman Holman is one that well repays study. He was one of those characters which impress themselves strongly upon those about them, until they have left a certain stamp of their own quality upon the community, which is thus enriched by their presence. His influence in a very large circle of associates in this direct and personal way was remarkable and seemed far out of relation to the comparatively humble recognition his powers received officially. He will long be remembered as one of the foremost of the able men who promoted and developed his home city, and directed its growth upon lines which have made it in many respects a model municipality.

