

Under the Hump

SOCIETY BUSINESS

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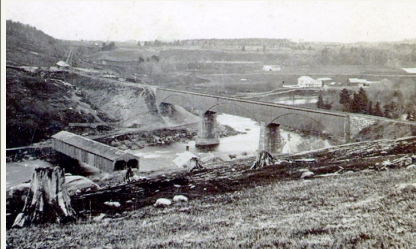
Next Meeting:
May 12, 7 pm CBMS

- At the meeting, we will elect a trustee for the remainder of this year.
- There will be no plant sale this spring.

CAN YOU IDENTIFY THIS SOCIETY MEMBER?



Last Issue's Photo:



Congratulations if you identified the railroad bridge of Georgia, VT before attending the February meeting!

Our next historical meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 12th, at 7 pm in the cafeteria at CBMS. During the business meeting, we will elect a trustee for the remainder of this year to fill a vacancy. This will be a splendid opportunity to get involved with our community's history.

Following the business meeting, Don Welch will portray the Duxbury life and eternal setting of Jesse and Lucretia (Craig) Arms. From the early days of their settling in town to the present, this presentation will span nearly 200 years. With an accumulation of town and society history, a past personal story, and a found artifact that solidifies an answer as to where they now might be perpetually be at rest. This should be an interesting story, and an artifact that will someday become a curator's perfect conversation piece. Join us and bring a friend!

Town Meeting 2015

We wish to thank everyone who furnished food and visited our historical exhibit, and also joined us for lunch. Our total donations for Town Meeting came to \$593.15! Many thanks to all for your continued support. We appreciate being available to be of our Town's service.

Thank you all!
Mary Ethel Welch
Food Chairperson

~A Recipe to Share~

Raspberry-Peach Iced Tea Smoothies

- 1 cup frozen whole raspberries without syrup (about 4.5 oz)
- 3/4 cup milk
- 2 Tablespoons peach instant iced tea mix
- 6 oz raspberry yogurt
- 16 oz frozen sliced peaches without syrup

- In a blender or food processor, place raspberries, milk, tea mix, and yogurt. Cover; blend on high speed 10-20 seconds or until smooth.
- Add half of the peach slices; cover and blend on high speed until smooth. Add remaining peaches; cover and blend until smooth. Pour into four glasses. Serve immediately. Enjoy!

SOCIETY BUSINESS

Archival/Preservation Committee Report

Members: Eulie Costello, Debbie Sweetser, Lori Morse, Bonnie Morse, Mark Morse

Last names beginning with A-D have been transcribed. New artifacts and documents donated since January 2015 will be listed in the next newsletter.

Monetary Donations

James Hanley

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Ramona Godfrey

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Anonymous

*Call for Submissions!*

The newsletter committee is welcome to submissions and eager to hear from you!

We would love for you to submit a story, poem, historical piece, photos, etc,
that we could place in the newsletter for everyone to enjoy.

This is your newsletter—what would you like to see in it?

Do you have a story or poem about living in Duxbury or
about a Duxbury resident who is special to you?

Did you write a poem or take photos when you made it to the top of Camel's Hump?

Do you have any historic photos of people, buildings, machinery, etc,
that you would like to share?

These are just a few ideas—we are welcome to any and all submissions.

Please share your materials with a newsletter member (see names on back page)
and we will place it in the next available issue.

Thank you in advance for your generosity!

LOOKING BACK

This issue contains an assortment of historical pieces found in the Duxbury Historical Society archives or courtesy of Society members. We hope you enjoy the variety!

A Lucky Runaway

Only Bruises Result When Lightning Scared Horse Plunges Through Storm

Miss Freda Morse, who remained at the home of her brother, Ai Morse, Saturday, was much improved Sunday, although she seems to know but little of what happened Friday night.

That evening, in company with her sister-in-law, Mrs. Luther Morse, Miss Morse went to the pictures. Arthur Dupaw, the pianist at the picture house, accompanied her as she carried Mrs. Morse home. They then went driving and during the hard shower, about midnight, it was thought the horse was scared by the thunder and lightning.

At half-past 12, Charles Oliver, who was sleeping on his porch at his home on Main Street, was startled by frightened cries and a running horse. About this time, all the lights went out, the village being in darkness. Mr. Oliver heard a crash against his mail box, but on lighting a lantern and calling, could hear nothing more and concluded the people had gone on with the rig in the darkness. Soon after this, the family of Luke Flynn was awakened by Mr. Dupaw, with Miss Morse, at the door. Both had jumped from the rig, Miss Morse being more or less stunned.

After remaining there for a time, she was brought to the home of her brother, and a doctor was summoned. No bones were broken, but she remained very quiet all day Saturday.

The rig, which they were driving, belonged to Miss Morse's brothers, Harold and Fred Morse. Although these gentlemen started on a search at once, nothing was found of the horse. About 7:30 in the morning, Mr. Bizarro, employed at Dr. Grout's, found a rig back of C.C. Warren's home, entangled in the harness. One rein was cut, the horse liberated and put in the barn. A handkerchief, with the initials, "F.M." was found, and a description of the rig was sent out and owners and rig reunited.

Mr. Oliver's mail box was knocked off the post, the post knocked down, and Mr. Dupaw's cap was found in front of the Oliver home.

~July 22, 1914 newspaper clipping



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GREEN MOUNTAIN POWER CORP.

The man with a lizard in his stomach has turned up at Duxbury, in Vermont. His names is Charles Marshall. Happily, Mr. Marshall has just been enabled to cast up the disgusting reptile that has caused him many years of untold suffering, besides a ruinous account with the doctors, who stupidly maintained that he had the consumption. Now, however, since the patient has parted with his disagreeable guest, he enjoys an uncommon appetite, and has no other symptoms of consumption. But how did that revolting creature find its way into Mr. Marshall's stomach? Manifestly through the medium of water. What an awful warning, then, have we here, to those whose habits lead them to indulge in that cheap beverage? Fortunately for Mr. Greeley, if we are to believe his word, none of his devoted followers are in any danger of introducing lizards into their stomachs. Now that Mr. Marshall has been cured, the public will look with impatient interest for their man who has swallowed some other monster, or for the interesting young lady who has lain many months in a trance without tasting a mouthful of food. It is nearly time for this phenomenon to re-appear.

~1872 newspaper clipping

LOOKING BACK

North Duxbury Baseball Game

The Moretown baseball team was to play the team from North Duxbury. This game took place before many people had automobiles and a ride in such a vehicle contest was quite a novelty. Two car owners from Moretown agreed to take their team to North Duxbury where the game was to take place. George Farnham was one of the drivers. Some of the members of the Moretown team were Theron Evans, Albert Ferris, Sr., and Kenneth Bisbee. Ray Davis was one of the North Duxbury players.

After the game, a few of the Moretown players decided to go to Bolton where liquid refreshments (the alcoholic kind) were sold. Those willing to do so went in Mr. Farnham's car, while the rest of the team went home with the other driver. After departing Bolton, Mr. Farnham and crew stopped in Waterbury for more refreshment of a different kind. They stopped at Brisbin's Drug Store where Mr. Ferris, rather the worst for wear due to his previous imbibing, agreed to stay in the car while the others entered the store to partake of ice cream sodas.

Mr. Ferris didn't remain in the car however, and strode into the store with a bottle in each hand. He smacked the containers on the table and announced that the rest could have their ice cream if they wished but he was going to have his beer. He was promptly escorted outside by his teammates.

On the way home through Lover's Lane in Middlesex, first one then another had to ask Mr. Farnham to stop while they relieved themselves of a combination to which their stomachs rebelled.

~As related by Theron Evans, November 1965

Baseball 1867

A baseball game was played on May 31, 1867 between the Green Mt. team of Bolton and the Annulet team of Waterbury. The game took place in the Town of Bolton. The final score was 115-46 with the Waterbury team as the victor.

Members of the Waterbury team:

William Deal — Pitcher
Charles Atherton — Catcher
Judge Fullington — 1st Base
J.J. Colby — 2nd Base
?? Canning — 3rd Base
?? Proctor — Shortstop
E. Hutchins — Left Field
Leander Kirby — Center Field
William Guptil — Right Field

A Prolific Sugar Tree

"There is as much difference in maple trees for sugar as there is in cows for butter. Sixteen quarts of average sap will make one pound of sugar. There are some trees that, if tapped, will not flow sap, while there are others that have been known to discharge on hundred sixty gallons in one season." So says Dr. H.A. Cutting in the *St. Johnsbury Republican* for April 16th last. The most prolific tree that I have as yet been able to find is in Duxbury, Vt., on the farm of C.W. Kellogg. There was made from it last spring fifteen pounds and five ounces, and sap enough lost to have made in the whole twenty pounds—so estimated. Only one spout was used, bored with a half-inch bit one and one-fourth inches deep. Ten quarts of this sap made twenty-six ounces of sugar. A few years ago there were made from this tree, in one spring, thirty and three-fourths pounds, with only one tub but two spouts. I would say that this tree stands immediately beside a very cold spring, which accounts for its quantity and quality of sap, as I find in every instance where a tree is thus or similarly situated it discharges much and sweet sap. The colder the water the sweeter the sap. Who can explain this?

Timothy Wheeler
Waterbury Center, Vt.

[Has the coldness of the water in these observations been tested thermometrically, or only by the senses? —Editor.]

~1880 newspaper clipping

Wooden nickel from Waterbury's
1763-1963 bicentennial celebration



LOOKING BACK

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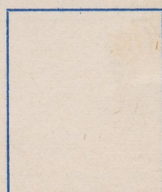
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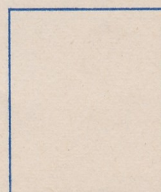
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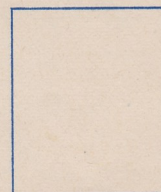
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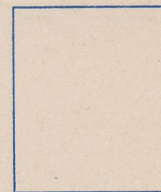
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On December 31, 1849, the hills of Duxbury echoed to a sound new to them. The first train to go through the town puffed its smoky, spark-showering way towards Waterbury from Burlington. Minerva Montgomery came down from Scrabble Hill to get a ride on that first iron monster chugging along the newly laid rails. She stopped at the home of Russell & Juliette Davis and the two ladies flagged down the train with a red tablecloth. Minerva climbed aboard the train and rode all the way from North Duxbury into Waterbury.

History doesn't tell us how she got back home. Did she return by train or was the initial ride too daring and she chose to return on foot on that cold winter's night?

~As related by Alice Kennedy



Left Montpelier at 2 pm, and probably arrived at Burlington about 9 pm—36 hours from Boston to Burlington, including all stoppages.—When the state of the roads is considered—for the most part the worst imaginable, we think John Bull will have no reason to complain of tardiness or delay. In truth, the stage proprietors through Central Vermont—from Lebanon to Burlington, are not to be matched.

~1845 stage times



Chester W. Nimitz stamp issued in 1985. Nimitz served with the U.S. submarine force in World War I. In early World War II, he was in command of the Pacific Fleet and directed the U.S. victories at the battles of Midway in 1942, the Philippine Sea in 1944, and Leyte Gulf in 1944. Nimitz was promoted to fleet admiral and was a signer of the Japanese surrender document. From 1945 to 1947 he was chief of naval operations.

THURSDAY, JUNE 28, 1945

DUXBURY

Nellie W. Ravlin, Reporter

Friends of Mary Claire Abaire, a former Duxbury girl, will be interested to know that she has graduated from Cathedral High School in Burlington.

Alan Morse of Plainfield was a dinner guest of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Clyde Morse Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Bushway are the parents of a son born June 18.

Arthur Eastman suffered a stroke Saturday. Though partially paralyzed his condition is reported improving as of Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. John Kilby of Derby, Olin Kilby of Newport and Miss Alice Munroe of Beebe, P.Q., were guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Kilby Saturday afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Noble of Barre were guests at the home of Lucius Lemery Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dunn were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Johnson and family of Littleton, N.H. on Sunday.

David and Barbara Welch spent last week in Plainfield with their grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Batchelder and uncle Fred Batchelder.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Johnson and Miss Edith Butler of North Springfield were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alva Butler.

Mr. and Mrs. Clayton Orton and two sons, Mr. and Mrs. Slayton Orton and son of Plainfield and Ellery Maxham of Walden were callers at the home of Fred Ravlin Sunday afternoon. Mr. and Mrs. Luther Ravlin of South Burlington were also callers at the Ravlin home Sunday.

Clifford Pelkey has purchased of Albert Perras the property on Crosssett Hill known as the mill and has moved there from Duxbury Corner.

Gerald Lewis of Middlesex spent Sunday with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lewis.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Grout and two sons have moved to their new home on Blush Hill in Waterbury where Mr. Grout is employed at the WDEV radio transmitter.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Messier have received word that their son, Louis Messier Jr. in the Seabees has reached his destination in the Pacific.

Eugene Eastman of Washington is a guest at the home of Mrs. Bertha Eastman.

Mr. and Mrs. E. C. Harvey and family were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Gage on Loomis Hill in Waterbury.

Mrs. Betty Harvey began work on Monday at the Mica Plant in Barre.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Loukes and Miss Georgiana Rice of Hanover, N.H. were dinner guests of Mrs. Minnie Morse Monday. Mrs. Loukes will be remembered here as Mrs. Elsie Rice.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Morse and family of Essex Junction were supper guests at the home of Clyde Morse Sunday.

Miss Maxine Harvey is home for the summer vacation having completed her third year as teacher in Terryville, Conn.

Howard McCarthy of Southington, Conn. called on his uncle, John Dillino, Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Louis Messier returned from Rhode Island Wednesday morning. Word had been received here of the serious illness of Mrs. Messier's mother, Mrs. Lilla Lumbra in Montgomery where they went immediately. Mrs. Lumbra was taken to the St. Albans Hospital where she passed away Thursday afternoon.

The Duxbury Home Demonstration Group met with Mrs. Lula Preston Thursday with 20 members, two guests and two children present. Co-hostesses were Mrs. Marion M. Davis, Mrs. Mary Kennedy, Mrs. Bernice Peo and Mrs. Leah Tatro. A delicious dinner was served. Proceeds from the mystery package were \$1.70. The business meeting was opened with the Creed, Flag Salute and roll call. The group voted to contribute \$10 to

the 4-H Club Camp fund and to pay for one Farm Bureau Membership. The meeting closed with the Prayer of the Farm Woman. A piano and encore were pleasingly given by little Joan Myers after which the program was turned over to Miss Elizabeth Perley who conducted the first in a series of meetings on World Problems. The subject was "Can Wars be Avoided?"

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If you have any comments or contributions for the newsletter we would love to hear from you.

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**DON'T FORGET THE NEXT MEETING - MAY 12
CROSSETT BROOK MIDDLE SCHOOL - 7 PM**

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