

GROTON Gossip —

Dr. H. L. Tillotson has bought a team.

Bernard Eastman visited in St. Johnsbury last Saturday.

Mrs. A. G. Tassev has recently been visiting in Lyndonville.

Mr. V. Clark is back from Montpelier, where he has been at work.

Miss Ross, of Waterford, visited Mrs. H. D. Sterry, her sister, last week.

Charles Webber is nursing a broken finger, caused by a stone falling on it last week.

Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Brown, of North Andover, Mass., were in town briefly last week.

T. W. and George Minard, of Wells River, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. Welch last week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Teller are rejoicing over the birth of a nine pound daughter born last Monday.

Rev. W. L. Todd delivered the annual memorial sermon in the Methodist house last Sunday morning.

Mrs. Eliza Batchelder and grandson, of West Topsham, visited at Albert Clark's a part of last week.

Mrs. Sewell Carpenter and child have been visiting at the house of A. L. Clark in Montpelier during the past week.

D. C. Richardson went to Davenport, Ia., last week. He expects to return with his family about the first of June.

Mrs. Frank Russell and two sons, of Plymouth, N. H., were at the house of T. B. and Isabell, the first of last week.

A nine year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Clark last week caught a brook trout weighing two pounds and seven ounces. The little girl and the big trout were taken the next day to Wells River, where they had their photograph taken together.

The local Epworth League has elected as officers for the coming term President, Mrs. W. L. Todd; Vice Presidents, Mrs. T. J. Cochran, Mrs. George Pillsbury, Mrs. Charles Chapin and Mrs. A. G. Tassev; Secretary, Mrs. E. K. Darling; Treasurer, Mrs. Martha Jones.

The new principal of the new Groton high school seems not to have found favor in one quarter at least. The local editor gave it in to him as follows:

The principal of our village school used to be counted among the followers of Isaac Hopper, and although we have hunting streams and ponds, yet nothing equals Marshfield. We are minded to notify the warden there that he is trespassing, as we have reason to believe his shooting occurs on Sunday.

The longest funeral procession that has passed through Groton streets for years followed the remains of Benjamin Page to their last resting place in the cemetery below the village last Sunday. Mr. Page has been a life long citizen of the town, honored by his townsmen with the various offices of responsibility and respected by all who knew him. He lived to the ripe old age of 83 years and has passed from this life of care and sorrow to that better life beyond. Seven of his eight children are living and honored heads of families. Four live in Groton, Albert, Carlos and Cyrus are prosperous farmers, Frank M., is the village lawyer and surveyor, Isabell is a thriving merchant at Monroe, N. H.; Lizzie married James K. Dunn and lives at Concord, Lucy married Alvin Leibhead and lives in Lowell, Mass. George died in 1877. All of the living children were present at the funeral. His wife was Betsey Frost, an excellent woman, whose influence was a great help to him in the bringing up of his large family. Both were very industrious and taught their children to be the same.