

NO SUN TOMORROW
As usual, the Sun will omit publication on July 4 — Monday's Sun will contain a full account of the holiday.

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ATTLEBORO, MASS., FRIDAY, JULY 3, 1908.—WEATHER OUTLOOK—CLOUDY.

PRICE ONE CENT.

POSTOFFICE GAIN FOR YEAR IS NOTEWORTHY

Despite Business Depression, Receipts Reach Point That Makes Them a Record.

SALE OF STAMPS, \$51,442

A fair estimate of the progress of Attleboro and her business enterprises may be gained from the report of Postmaster J. A. Thayer for the fiscal year ending June 30 of business done in the Attleboro postoffice. The report shows that as much business was done here as in many a larger office. The postoffice receipts for the fiscal year ending June 30 were \$51,442.76, by far the greatest amount of any year in the history of the office. Last year the amount was \$48,584.10, and the year before was \$42,000. Attleboro's postoffice has been in the first class division for the past two years. The \$51,442.76 mentioned does not include money order business. It is simply the sale of stamps. The amount of money handled in money orders for the fiscal year just ended was \$158,262.28, also the greatest in the history of the office. This business does not figure in the rating of the office. The number of registered articles handled was 101,623, the number of pieces of mail handled by rural carriers was 206,468, the number of special delivery articles delivered was 3,638, and the number of special

delivery articles dispatched was 4,194.

A comparative report of 1907 and 1908 stamp business follows:

1907.
Sept. 30 \$10,373.35
Dec. 31 13,935.22
March 31 12,291.65
June 30 11,873.88

1908.
Sept. 30 \$11,687.02
Dec. 31 15,158.29
March 31 12,769.21
June 30 11,826.32

The encouraging part of the report is that there was a substantial increase in business during the past year, notwithstanding the fact that the past six months have seen a general depression of business. Naturally the postoffice suffered along with other businesses.

Not only has the business of the office increased, but the facilities of handling and dispatching mail have steadily increased. At the present time there are 38 mails dispatched from Attleboro daily and about 41 being received. This gives Attleboro most efficient service with all parts of the country, in fact the world.

JEWELRY FIRM TO LEAVE ATTLEBORO?

It is rumored that one of the largest jewelry firms in town is considering a removal to Pawtucket. The members of the firm would neither affirm or deny the rumor today, and asked that the firm's name should not be mentioned in connection with the rumor.

New System of SHOE REPAIRING
At ABE LEVIN'S
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HORSE TRADE LEADS TO CASE IN COURT

The difficulties in which two men found themselves as the result of a horse trade were aired in the district court yesterday in the civil case of Abraham Kaufman vs. George Gorman. Atty. F. L. Babcock appeared for the plaintiff and Atty. J. H. Lydham, Jr., for the defendant.

It was stated that the plaintiff traded horses with the defendant and imagined that he got the worst of the bargain. It was represented by the defendant that the horse was in good condition and was not affected as claimed by the plaintiff. Several witnesses were heard. Decision was reserved.

Camp Hebron Services
Fourth of July camp meeting for those who wish to escape the noise and heat of city and villages. Take the advantage of the quietness of camp Hebron's pine grove, also get refreshed by the preaching of the word and the joyful songs of Zion. Food for body and soul camp meeting July 3 to 13.

AUTO OVERTURNS AT SO. ATTLEBORO

One of Four Occupants Pinned Under Machine But Not Seriously Hurt.

An automobile containing four people, names unknown, overturned on Tiffany st. near the residence of Hermann Ackermann, about 9 p. m. Friday. The machine struck a rough place in the highway, which is being repaired. One of the occupants was pinned under the machine, but was rescued by his companions, only slightly injured. The machine was finally righted and went off apparently undamaged.

SALESMAN FOR 40 YEARS CELEBRATES

William P. Stowe of W. H. Wil-

marth Co. Observes Notable Anniversary.

Having completed 40 years as a traveling salesman, William P. Stowe of the W. H. Wilmarth company, one of Attleboro's best known and esteemed salesmen, celebrated the occasion yesterday by entertaining a party of 26 friends at his home in Edgewood, R. I.

The party included Mr. Stowe's personal friends of Attleboro, Providence and North Attleboro. One Chicago salesman was present. An excellent dinner was served and following there was a social time. Mr. Stowe has been traveling for the H. W. Wilmarth corporation for the past 25 years. Previous to that he was engaged for the Gilchrist company of Boston, the Plainville Stock company and other local concerns. He is widely known on the road and has many friends in the Attleboros and Providence.

LOCAL MEN IN CHARGE OF GOLD MINE AT WRENTHAM

The gold mine at Wrentham, about which considerable has been said in the past, is now in charge of Homer M. Daggett, Jr., and a few other Attleboro men. Work on the mine is progressing rapidly. The main shaft is being cleaned out and the vein ore containing gold is plainly visible.

SHOT IN STOMACH AS HE PREPARED FOR FOURTH

Frank McCormick, 23, Wounded by Shot from Revolver of Friend, Valmore Charland.

FORMER SAYS "ACCIDENT"

Frank McCormick, aged 23, was shot in the stomach about 2 o'clock this afternoon in the room of Valmore Charland, aged 29, a boarder at the McCormick house, at 104 Park st. McCormick has been taken to a hospital and Charland is detained at the lock-up.

According to the latter, the two young men were preparing for the Fourth. McCormick wished to secure a revolver to take with him to Taunton this afternoon and asked Charland to lend him one, cautioning

him to say nothing of the matter to Mrs. McCormick.

The two went to Charland's room, where the latter produced two .32-calibre revolvers. McCormick handled one, which was empty, and then asked to see the other. As Charland handed it to him, muzzle foremost, it went off and the bullet lodged in McCormick's stomach.

The shot aroused the household and Dr. G. E. McPherson and Patrolman Franklin D. Bonney were hastily summoned. The doctor ordered McCormick removed to a hospital and (Continued on Page Eight).

CHARLES BILSON, VETERAN OF THREE WARS, DIES HERE

Decorated for Service in Crimean

War at Age of 18, He Served

Through Sepoy Rebellion and in the Civil War.

An eventful career was ended yesterday when Charles Bilson, a veteran of the Crimean war, the Sepoy rebellion in India and America's civil war, and wearer of several medals for bravery, passed away at his home, 55 Mechanics st., Attleboro, at the age of 75 years.

An Englishman by birth, but for the past half century an American citizen, Mr. Bilson retained to the end of his life an unswerving love of his mother country. With pride and enthusiasm, he was fond of displaying two medals of silver both presented by Queen Victoria of England for bravery.

Mr. Bilson enlisted in the English army when about 18 years old. His parents, although intensely patriotic, could not quite understand the desire of a boy of his years to serve in the army, and for a time refused their consent.

A recruiting sergeant passed him, however, and the lad had the "queen's shilling" before he informed his parents of his step. He was permitted to start on what proved an eventful career of hardship as a member of the First Royals, the famous fighting Scotch regiment.

His enlistment was in 1852, and about two years later the Crimean trouble began between Russia and Turkey which later involved Great Britain and France. When the English troops, commanded by Lord Raglan, disembarked at Varna on the Black Sea, the First Royals were in the large body and with them young Bilson.

At Alma in September, 1854, he participated in his first great battle and was wounded. The scar was plainly visible on his neck for many years afterwards.

"Come near losing my head," he said, "and often after that when I lay before Sebastopol almost frozen and discouraged, I wished the Russian who gave me that wound had had a steeper hand."

The next battle for him was the famous Balaklava. "I am pretty much along in years now," said the veteran recently in telling of his experiences. "I have seen some terrible fighting, but nothing will stand more strongly in my recollection than that fight at Balaklava."

There have been some pretty stories written about it. Some of them have stirred the people of all nations. Nothing I have known has described the terrible scene, nothing ever will. It can't be written.

"There was a certain battery on a hill, as the historians and others have told, that the English desired to capture. The heavy brigades had tried to get it, but they didn't do it."

"When the brigades got to the hill, there wasn't enough of them left to take the battery. Then came the world-famed order that sent out the light brigade. First went the 600 cavalry and we were behind them, 100 or more of the First Royals, prepared to take charge of the battery when they got it."

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BISHOP POTTER IS STILL CONSCIOUS

Prelate Nears the End and Grows

Weaker Despite Nourishment

Given Him Today.

Cooperstown, N. Y., July 3.—Bishop Potter was still conscious today, although apparently near death. During the night he was able to take a little nourishment, but he continued to grow weaker. Both the physicians remained at his bedside during the night and the members of the family remained within call.



BISHOP HENRY C. POTTER.

Henry Codman Potter, Protestant Episcopal bishop of New York since 1887, was born in Schenectady, N. Y., on May 25, 1834. His father was Bishop Alanzo P. Potter of Pennsylvania. He was educated chiefly at the Episcopal academy in Philadelphia and subsequently entered the Theological Seminary of Virginia, from which he graduated in 1857. He was ordained on Oct. 15, 1858. His first incumbency was Christ church, in Greensburg, Pa., where he remained about two years, leaving it to become rector of St. John's, in Troy, N. Y. After seven years' ministry in Troy Dr. Potter went to Boston as assistant to the rector of Trinity church. He left there in 1868 to accept the rectorship of Grace church, New York city, which he held until 1884.

Meanwhile, in 1863, he had declined the presidency of Kenyon college, Ohio, and in 1875 had been elected bishop of Iowa, but had also declined that honor. From 1860 to 1883 Dr. Potter was secretary of the house of bishops.

In the latter year his uncle, Horatio Potter, then bishop of New York, found himself, by reason of age and increasing infirmity, unable to fulfill all the duties of his office, and upon his application his nephew, Henry, was appointed assistant bishop of his diocese. The old bishop's health became steadily worse, and he soon resigned the active charge and responsibilities of the diocese of New York to his assistant, who, in fact, discharged nearly all the duties of the episcopate until his uncle's death in January, 1887, when he was appointed bishop of New York.

In 1902 Bishop Potter married the wealthy Mrs. Albert Corning Clark of Cooperstown and New York city.

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"A Gallant Knight"

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