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SOUND THE TRUMPETS: An Old-Fashioned Outdoor Band Concert will start our celebration of the 100th Anniversary Year. This will be held on Sunday, Sept. 24, at the South High School in the courtyard just outside the dining room. The time will be 2 P.M. and you are asked to bring your own folding chairs or blankets to sit on. The South High School Band under the direction of Frank Buckley is giving us this special concert so please bring along your friends and relatives. The music will be fine and a large crowd will make it sound even better. If by any chance the day is rainy, the concert will be held on October 1.

SOME NEW FRIENDS: We are happy to welcome the following new members:

Ms Ellen Foley Mr. Edward Libertine Mr. John E. Keller 50-104 Webster St., S.W. 02190 214 Quincy Ave. E.B. 02184 131 Southern Ave. W. 02188

<u>NEWSLETTER:</u> We are indebted to Eddie O'Rourke for his contribution of the anniversary heading above. Thank you, Ed. The next issue will be published in November.

SAVE OCT. 18: In keeping with the theme of this year, "Weymouth of the Past," two of our members will present the program in October. Lester Belcher, a past treasurer, will speak on "Modes of Entertainment in Old Weymouth" and Patrick Leonard, Jr., our present recording secretary, will give us "Weymouth Vignettes", a compilation of news highlights of a century ago. We are sure both subjects will prove to be very interesting and enlightening.

THANK YOU: We wish to thank Marion and Hall Carpenter for their recent monetary contribution to the society. Every gift is deeply appreciated.

MUSEUM NEWS: Henry Darrell will be setting up new dates for the museum soon so stay close to the phone. He will be looking for help.

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IN MEMORIAM Mrs. Thelma Dolloff

"The Weymouth Gazette" Friday Sept. 20,1878 LOOKING BACK:

"Stetson's Weymouth Band have generously volunteered their services in aid of the yellow fever sufferers in the South, by giving a grand benefit concert of vocal and instrumental music at the Town Hall in Weymouth, next Monday evening, on which occasion a large number of our resident artists will render voluntary assistance."

"Carriage Accident"

"As Mr. Erastus Nash with his son were riding past the Landing Depot yesterday afternoon, the horse started at sight of the cars and ran up Commercial St. The buggy came in contact with Dr. Hathaway's buggy in which Mrs. H. and two children were riding, and the result was that both vehicles were badly damaged, wheels and shafts being splintered, but fortunately none of the occupants were hurt beyond a few bruises. The horses were both stopped in the Square."

LOOKING AHEAD:

BAND CONCERT

September 24 2 P.M.

South High School

Bring chairs or blankets. Rain date: Oct. 1

PROGRAM NOTES: Keep the enclosed program handy. There will be a change in January from the subjects listed. Mrs. Eleanor F. Cooney will speak to us on the subject of notable women in Weymouth.

A MESSAGE FROM THE CURATOR: The inventory of the society's collection of manuscripts, documents and books at the Fogg Library is now in its ninth month and is scheduled for completion in October. When completed, the collection will be shelf-numbered, indexed and crossindexed and cross-referenced and will be stored in acid-proof boxes and folders. The material in the archives will be available to serious researchers and the Tufts Library main building will be furnished with a duplicate set of index cards but the material will not be open to the general public. As a security measure the library staff and/or the curator will monitor all requests for information. Dr. Nicholas Oldsberg, State Archivist, is the professional consultant who set up the inventory process which is being done under a federal grant.