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Center.

The mahogany upright pano recently purchased by the Townsend Hill Improvement society arrived on Tuesday and was placed in their club used and dedicated at their meeting next week Thursday evening.

George Divis, who recently had successful meeting who recently purchased Saturday after meeting and successful meeting to be made for better and more consucted by the successful meeting.

Saturday after Saturday after meeting.

George Divis, who recently had a successful operation performed at the Peter Brent Brigham hospital in Brockline, is convalencing at his home here with his parents. Mr. and Mrs. George Davis.

At the D. of V. tent meeting Thesay evening held in Oddfellows E. ill the following delegates were chosen to attend the national convention to be held in Boston: Flora Wathous Florence Guinn, Evelyn Sanders and Antile Dow, delegates; Alice Bowley, Eller, Richards, Margaret Wilson and Eller, Almende Abrards, Parisand Flora Atwood, alternate...

Several Grangers attended the Pemona Grange at Groton Thursday. Charles S. Howard of the Worcester Tech, came home Wednesday for the rest of the week vacation.

club are omiting their January monthly meeting.

Donovan Bress, James Faffar and Clarence King have been busy with helpers the past two weeks cutting their ice supply and filling their ice-houses. The ice is reported as being very thick and exceptionally clear. Miss Carrie Dorr of East Boston has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. George Ballou this week.

Mrs. Blanche Wheeler of Boston is enjoying a visit and rest with her mother, Mrs. Charles W. Hildreth.

The Coopers' ball Thursday evening The Coopers' ball Thursday evening was well attended by the townspeople and sleighing parties from outside. The concert program by Wilson's orchestra of Fitchburg was enjoyed by the audience. After the concert many enjoyed dancing and the excellent turn key supper that was served at intermission in the Banquet hall.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Hildreth expect to attend the crystal wedding anniversary of Mr. and Mrs. Frank T. Shirley at Swampsott Saturday, Jan-uary 22. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O. Reed of Manchester, N. H., will accompany

The attention of the Grangers is The attention of the Grangers is called to the January 24 meeting when the new Grange officers will be in-stalled by Mrs. Margaret B. Lane of Lowell, assisted by Mrs. Hattie Misner of the local Grange as installing guide

Mrs. John Stewart, Fitchburg road attended the poultry show at Boston and received a prize for her turkey gobbler. Her daughter, Miss Sadie Stewart of Whitman, accompanied her to the show.

her to the show.

Thursday evening a union mid-week prayer meeting was heid in the vestries of the Congregational church, after which plans were made for the coming of the evangelist, Rev. I. T. Johnson of Maine. It was unanimously voted to invite Dr. Johnson and his assistant musicians to come to our town. February 15. The evangelist visited Townsend about forty years ago and many older residents have pleasant memories of the great revival at that time. at that time.

At the Methodist church Sunday morning the pastor will continue his topic, "The relation of the hely spirit to the church." Evening question, "Shall we have a revival?"

"Shall we have a revival?

At the Congregational church Rev.

A. L. Struther's sermon is "Heart service and lip service." C. E. evening topic, "Amusement that is worth while." Leader, Mrs. Clara Clement. children, who have been at the lat-

Gab will meet at 2,30 p. m. at parsenaget subject, "Children America."

Deaths.

Orlando D. Barber, aged eighty-one years eleven months, passed away on Tuesday evening at his home on Towns nd Hill, death resulting from out of life's candle. Mr. Barber was a native of Townsend and born at the Barber homestead now occupied by his brother, Vernal Barber. With the exception of a few years' residence at the Center, following his marriage, he has always lived the quiet farmer's has late home on the hill were about forty dollars.

life at his late home on the hill
May 21, 1856, Mr. Barber married
Miss Mary Fidelia Fessenden, daughter of the late Aaron and Nancy Fessenden of West hill When a young
man Mr. Earber united with the Congregational church at the Center, but his farm home was nearer the Brookline line he with his family in later years attended the Brookline church.

Mr. Barber is survived by his wife it. Mr. Barber is survived by his wife and five children, David Barber, who resides at home and has been his father's helper on the farm; Arthur and Frank Barber, who have homes nearby on the hill; Mrs. Edith Bar-ber Wright, who resides in Worces-ter, and Mrs. Neille B. Brown, of Manchester, N. H.; also, five grand-children, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, a daughter of Mr. and

children, son and daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Wright, and two sons of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Barber. He leaves a brother, Vernal Barber, of this town. Funeral services were held from his late home on Friday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock, and was in charge of Rev. C. W. Dockrill, of Brookline, N. H. Interment was in the family lot at the Center cemetery. Center cemetery.

Another death occurred on Towns-end hill Tuesday, when Ira C. Lee-man, who has been a great sufferer from heart trouble for several weeks, passed from this world to suffer no more. The deceased was twenty-cight years of age and resided with his par-ents on the Alonzo Wyeth farm. The Leemans are new-comers in town, having been here a year or so, com-ing from Leominster. The father, ing from Leominster. The father, James Leeman, has just returned from the Burbank hospital and is still in a weak condition. Much sympathy is expressed for the double afflictions of the family since their coming to

ter's home in Maine during his illness. He also leaves two brothers. The funeral was held from his late home on Thursday at twelve o'clock, Rey. E. C. Charlton in charge. The

was placed in the receiving tomb at the Center cemetery. Harbor.

bor pond was begun and finished last week. One or two houses at the Cape were filled from ice from Walnut

Grove lake. Mrs. B. C. Cuinmings, who has been sick with pneumonia, is far on the road toward recovery.

Charles Wright is visiting friends in

Ralph Blake and George Cummings attended the reent poultry show in

Donald Buck of Boston spent the week-end with John Knowlton at Knowlcroft. The Ladies' Aid met as usual on Thursday.

Thursday.

On the state road just below the Harbor a serious accident was barely averted on Thursday when an automobile going at a high rate of speed attempted to pass an empty log team. Without lessening his speed or taking into consideration the icy condition of the highway the driver of the car swung to one side causing the machine to slew. Upon trying to get into the road, one of the rear mud guards caught in the neck yoke, fortunately doing no harm except the straightenoing no harm except the straightenng out of the guard.

A novel sight was seen in this vil-

After the cards abundant reflecte ments were served in cafetyels style At the Harbor farm are twenty-five

· On Wedge day afternoon Gorze Leahy snot a possible weightus 1012 lbs, in the lafter in the copy of Leaenborg wood.

The fine constitut has proved attracwell as to the children.

owing to the very solve lecturer.

Owing to the very severe weather and the prevalence of grippe colds about town not a very large number attended the Grange on Tuesday evening. Those who did had a very interesting meeting with the speaker of the evening. Citizens' caucus this Saturday even

ag at eight o'clock in lower town hall. Bert Taylor, employed at Tahanto arm, has moved his family into the

Saturday afternoon the Wide Avike Gab will meet at 2.50 p. m. at the parsonage; subject. "Children of America."

Not Wednesday evening the men of the Congregational supper.

Start Wednesday evening the men of the Congregational supper.

The annual supper and entertainment is in charge of Albert G. Sever, assisted by the young people's orchestra. G. Paul Smith, the well-known entertainer and impersonator will give teadings and impersonators during the eventual supper and entertainment are to be used to assist the L. E. S. in the purchase of electric power for plunping the church oran.

Rev. A. L. Struthers attended the meeting of the Middle sen-North Ministers' association at North Leonarster. These plays are not plunping the church oran.

Ber. Taylor, employed at Tahanto academy students on different days. Academy students on different days. All mis family into the Congregational supper.

Congregational supper.

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The supper was in charge of the lectures and demonstrations and impersonators will give the cyoning to of salads, cold harm rolls, cake and coffee, The play, "life Josinh," the best kind of incentive to rail eight o'clock, under the distance of Mr. West, was also a decided hit. The stage in the garden the circle of Mr. West, was also a decided hit. The stage in the garden the distance of the late of the late of the following room seems was very tractive place during the week. At a different days, and staged at eight o'clock, under the distance of the lectures and demonstrations, have proved themselves very capeble and ikeable experts in their same in the contract of the congregation of the cong ing the hit, while his wife "Jernimy, in Miss Josephine Baker and his son "Ben" in B. S. Keyes, also played to their credit. A. T. West and Mrs. Olive Bryant, as Mr. and Mrs. Wellington, Wallace Bryant as the confidential clerk, James Peters as true lover of "Gladys," Miss Ha Thayer, all carried their characters to the hearts of the hearets. Fred Wrangham in the villan part with his daughter, Miss Marjoric Thomas.

The great event of the year, the gentlemen's supper and entertainment, will be given at the Baptist vestry on Thursday evening, January 27. After the supper, there will be given a farce, entitled, "Hanting for Hapgood" and will surely make you laugh to hear

A. A. Hutcherson and Howard D. Stone attended a Masonic meeting in Hudson on Wednesday night.

Charles Thorning has a situation on a farm in Littleton, commencing his duties Tuesday.

Frank Sprague, Chester Willard, John Bigelow and Gilman Coffey have John Bigelow and Gliman Coney have this week filled their icehouses with fine clear ice, cut on Still river.

Chester Willard, our hustling coal dealer, handled over eleven hundred tons of coal last year and has now made a big start to break that record n 1916.

## WESTFORD

Barbara Fisher, the little second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Fisher, is recovering from severe burns from coming in contact with steam pipes

Mrs. David Wallace is confined to care, suffering from rheumatism after Mrs. Alice Lambert is ssisting in the household.

Mrs. Phonsic Isles and Mrs. Hilda i-les have the sincere sympathy of their wide circle of friends in the lat-ter's continued serious illness.

Mrs. John McIntosh and an opera tor from Lowell are attending to the duties of the telephone exchange. The junior class of Westford acad-my will give a dance at the town supper room-

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hall on Friday evening of next week. Gray's orchestra will furnish music, and Miss Marion C. Moreland, a former popular teacher of the academy, will be the scalable of the academy. will be the soloist of the evening.

Richard Galusha, the little two-vear-old son of Mr. and Mrs. A. L. Galusha, died very suddenly last Sun-day after a short Jines. The body was caben to Nashdar N. H., for in-Mr. and Mrs. Galusha have ently come to Westford to live sympathy of the community to them in their affliction. annual town meeting will be a Monday, February 14.

r id on Monday, February 14.
Frack C. Wright, who has been the
L.F. h. corrier since the introduction
of the first route twelve years ago,
has sent in his resimuation to take efl. then February 1. The increased
work of the route and not robust
years may influenced Mr. Wright's
lecision to give up the work. The decision to give up the work. The solary is about \$1200 a year and of late years the work has been done a greater part of the year by automo-

HARVARD

News Items.

The Warner lecture commutates wish to especially announce the next lecture to be given on Friday evening. January 28, by Albert L. Squierr sunfacet. "South America, teday and tomorrow," illustrated. Mr. Squier was the official photographer with the Boston Chamber of Commerce on their recent Squth American trip and is besides a very able lecturer.

Owing to the Tables of the Commerce on their recent Squith American trip and is besides a very able lecturer.

The home-makers' course in the community of the community and the children in town. Among the children in the Arthur Day family and also the little daughter of Mr. Already Harvard Hamilin. Mr. and Mrs. Harold W. Bildreth's baby son. Richard, who has been prevalent among the children in town. Among the children in town. Among the children in the Arthur Day family and also the little daughter of Mr. Bildreth in the Arthur Day family and also the little daughter of Mr. Richard, who has been prevalent among the children in town. Among the children in the Arthur Day family and also the little daughter of Mr. Richard, who has been prevalent among the children in town. Among the children in the Arthur Day family two children in the Arthur Day family are children in the Arthur Day family two children i

Home-makers' Course.

The home-makers' course in the extension school at the town hall this week has occupied the attention of as many of the progressive women of the town who were able to avail themselves of its opportunities. The many households having sickness have necessarily affected the attendance somewhat. The enrollment in the women's classes has been over fifty with additional attendants for separate sissions, as well as the attendance of academy students on different days.

Miss Laura Comstock and Miss Marie Sayles, who have been in

"Home-making as a subject of study, followed by a demonstration of interest on "Meat substitutes." Tuesday morning's Jessons were "Our food stuffs," "The main worshop of the house," and a most attractive lecture on "Furnishing the house." In the afternoon the time from one to three afternoon the time from one to three the study of the study of the study of the study of the study. afternoon the time from one to three was occupied with a demonstration on "The fireless cooker" and "Vegetables and cereals," and at three o'clock a talk on "Household appliances." An extra demonstration at this session was by a representative of the Lowell Electric Light Co.

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Wednesday was occupied with "Three meals a day," "The home fruit garden" and "A sinitary house." In the afternoon the three fine subjects of "Care and feeding of infants," "The social life of the country woman" and "The poultry woman" took up the session.

session.

The closing day gave a demonstration on "Bread and rolls" at nine, followed by a "Round table discussion."

A "joint poultry meeting." a lecture on "What does the country offer its and a bread judging finished week's lectures and demonstra

tions.

Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Mrs. H. E.
Fletcher and Mrs. L. W. Wheeler have
been the committee in charge from
the Tadmuck club, supplemented by
Mrs. S. L. Taylor and Mrs. D. L. Greig

Mrs. S. L. Taylor and Mrs. D. L. Greig from the Grange.

A collection of books covering the various subjects in both the men's and the women's classes have been loaned to the J. V. Fletcher library for a few weeks, which Miss Bunce, the librarian, has arranged and supplemented with the many other good ones of the same type already in the library. Miss Comstock said that the collection found in our library of practical home and farm books was the best she had found of any town of its size that she had visited in the state.

Annual Concert and Ball.

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The Edward M. Abbot hose company held its eighth annual concert and ball at the town hall on Thursday evening of last week. The event was a success in every way, proving one of the delightful social events of the season. The decorations were most effective and appropriate, the stage being banked with green and overhead on a background of green the letters "W. F. D." were arranged in large scarlet letters. Below, in front of the stage, the lines of hose belonging to the company were arranged in effective design. A pretty lattice of red paper covered the windows and in the supper room down stairs delicate down stairs delicate

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white and yellow was used in the same way.

Poole's orchestra, of Boston, gave a fine concert program the first part of the evening and played most acceptably for the dancing following. The grand march was led by Mr. and Mrs. William E. Wright and members of the company followed by about one hundred couples. Dancing continued until two in the morning, with an in-

most places.

coming from the latter tow.

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WESTFORD

About Town. A call has been issued by the town committee for a caucus of the repub-licans of Westford Monday evening. January 31, to nominate candidates for town offices.

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for town offices.

The first meeting of the registrars of voters will be held at the selectmen's room on Wednesday evening, January 26.

Middlesex North Pomona Grange has at last wheeled into harmony with all Pomona Granges in the state and its 'lecturer, George W. Truil, of Tewksbury, has prepared a printed program. At the next meeting, Friday, February 4, the forenoon session will bring out "Boll call of charter members"; "How to make the most of Jife." Mrs. Vickery, of Chelmsford Grange; afternoon, "A trip across the continent to the world's fair." E. W. Boutwell, of Andover, with the of Andover, with the

At the meeting of West Chelmsford Grange next Thursday evening the lecturer's hour will furnish Lowell talent, who will entertain with readings and songs, and home equipment will discuss "Who gets the most out of life, the farmer who goes around or will visit Panama." the farmer who stays at home?"

Extension School.

Extension School.

The Massachusetts Agricultural Extension school opened on Monday afternoon at one o'clock. It opened with enthusiasm on the part of the attendants and snow squalls and roughage on the part of the weather. Prof. Ralph W. Rees opened the sessions and lined up for fruit, starting with the strawberry. He said the strawberry is one of the youngest of fruit industries in this country. It was not introduced until 1800, and as late as 1850 only fifty acres were under cultivation in this country. At the present time there is 5,000,000 quarts grown annually in Massachusetts and is our third crop in value, apples being first and cranberries sevonw. There are \$53 varieties of strawberries in the United States. Some of them will succeed under all soil conditions. The ideal soil is medium loam that will hold moisture by cultivation. For exposure the bed

um. loam that will hold moisture by cultivation. For exposure the bed should be protected from strong summer winds than anything else. The southeastern slope is apt to give frost trouble. They thrive best on land planted two years to hoed crops. Matted rows are preferable to the hill system in yield. The rows should be three and a half feet apart and 6 and 22 inches in the row. For fertilizer potash is beyond reach—as a substitute use wood ashes.

heaving by frost. Pine needles are not so good as hay, but make clean picking.

Prof. Frank T. Haynes followed on "Soil fertility." He said a ton of green corn contains 98 percent of water and the balance is gasses and minerals. Under all soils is a water table which varies in every field. In the upper soil is a film of moisture called capilary water. The tuny roots of the plants feed on the latter, but stand water is a detriment because the roots require heat and air. Fall Boston last week, and also took in the plowing is preferred to spring because it increases its power to absorb moisabsorb mois-

ty, environment and selection are three important factors in raising stock.

The morning session on Tuesday began with a talk on "Cane and bush fruits." Good eultivation will gain a year in the growth of raspherry plantation. Set canes two to three feet apart with some exceptions at eighteen inches apart. Remove the old canes in the fall. Head back to thirty inches for a larger yield of herries. Good fertilizing is a partial remedy for winter killing. Should be well balanced with potash rather than high in nitrogen. The Cuthbert and St. Regis are red, the latter a full hearing variety. Late herries lack flavor. For raspherry blight cut down; lime and sulphur may check it, but not contract it. As soon as the raspherry patch shows sign of decline cut it down and start anew. The blackberry jet in the blackberry and is inferior in all ways to the Eldorado except in hardiness. The Blower berry has blowed around about much; but it is still an infant in expansion and marketing.

berry has blowed around about much; but it is still an infant in expansion and marketing.

We do not lay down our vines at the college and have a very low temperature. Pinch back your vines to the lateral system. In the growing season currants want a soil of moisture and fertility. The Wilder and Perfection are satisfactory varieties We are more likely to under prune than to over prune. Cut out about one-third of the wood each year so that the bush will renew itself in three years. The best fruit comes from the new wood. For pests, spray as for apples. Use arsenate of lead searly in the spring and lime sulphur later.

On "Preparedness of the soil for substitution of cleanliness, good ventila-

milk is the best feed.

In the afternoon, speaking on the peach orchard, Prof. Itees said that the fellow who goes into it has got to have some sporting blood in him. Winter freezing, followed by a high temperature, is what is the weather menace to the peach tree. For soil, apple land of high altitude is best; use only one-vorgetable addressing. apple land of high altitude is best; use only one-year-stock; older ones will be slow in starting. Head the tree back and cut off the side branches. Fruit comes on one-year-old wood, so pruning should be distributed. Prune heavily in a year of a light crop or damage by the frost. A tree properly taken care of should last twelve years.

last twelve years.

Forge Village.

Charles Flanagan is ill at his hom on Central street.

The Misses Delia and Catherine Connell are in Florida, where they are spending the winter.

Mrs. V. C. Bruce Wetmore and Mrs. Hanson Curtiss, her sister-in-law, will spend the next few weeks in Ja-maica. On their return journey they

Peter Delaney, who has been with pneumonia, is recovering. Delaney is suffering with a severe cold.

The skating on Forge pond has been fair and many lovers of the sport having been enjoying it to the The Y. P. S. C. of St. Andrew

The Y. P. S. C. of St. Andrews mission held their regular meeting in Recreation hall on Thursday evening of last week. Miss Ethel Sleeper, of Lowell, gave a cooking lesson. The people of the parish enjoy these meetings and look forward to them with agricination. anticipation.

Loyal Self Help lodge, I. O. O. F. M. U., held their regular meeting or Monday evening in Abbot hall. The John Edwards hose company

held a supper in their rooms at the firehouse on Thursday evening which was very much enjoyed. F. Conture, of Graniteville, while working on the ice on Forge pond, injured his foot and had to be taken to his home in an automobile.

Little Wesley Farrell, who has been very ill at the home of his grand-mother, Mrs. Margaret Wilson, is well on the road to recovery again.

Graniteville.

three and a half feet apart and 6 and 22 inches in the row. For fertilizer potash is beyond reach—as a substitute use wood ashes.

For varieties the Marshall is large and handsome, but fussy as to soil. Senator Dunlap, Sample and Clyde are good berries, less fussy about soil and will do for a wide range. Strawberries need frequent but shallow cultivation. Mulch them to prevent heaving by frost. Pine needles are not so good as hay, but make clean

it increases its power to absorb moisture. From shallow plowing to deep plowing should be gradual; don't increase from four to eight in one year. A dust mulch on the top of your garden is the blanket that holds the water in the soil. Too deep cultivation limits the feed area of the reads. W. F. Turner followed on "The dairy". He said one-half the risks in buying cattle from outside your neighborhood is the dancer of disease. At the U. S. experiment station near neighborhood is the dancer of disease. At the U. S. experiment station near tests made upon cattle brought in. disease developed in six months after purchase. Raise your own stock, it is slow work, but paying work. Heredity, environment and selection are three important factors in Tuesday. Word has been received of the death word has been received of the death The Ladius' Aid society of

ty-one years, head of the Central Ministry of Shakers at New Lebanon, N. Y., and the foremost Shakeress of the United States, died at the Church Family of Shakers in New Lebanon on Monday night. She and her sister, Marcia, were admitted to the Shakers of New Lebanon when Harriet was a child of six. She was a child medium. Sister Marcia died at the Harvard Shakers' community a few years ago. Elderess Harriet was the author of many tracts and was a collaborator of

field crops." Prof. Haynes said harrow as much as the land needs and then harrow as much more and you will get the nearest to the crop conditions required. Use the straight of school betterment were emphastized tooth weeder every week until the crop is six inches high. In some respects the smoothing harrow is an advantage; both make the complete implement.

Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament. Prof. Turner was the last speaker in the morning on the subject of the fundament in the

exchange laid on the table.

Mrs. Peters and Miss Whitney attended the annual anti-suffrage lunching at the Hotel Somerset in Boston on Monday, January 17. Over 600 ladies attended this luncheon which was followed by speeches by representatives from each of the four successful campaign states of last fall.

On Tuesday evening, January 25, the Unitarian society will give a reception to their new pastor and wife. Mr. and Mrs. Harvey C. Merrill, at elight o'clock. The reception will be taken beld at the town hall.

Harry F. Whitney has sold his in-

be a worthy successor. The music next Sunday morning at A Communication, the Unitarian church will consist of a

Harry F. Whitney has sold his insurance business to Wilham C. Haskell of Still River, the transaction being made this week. Mr. Whitney health makes it impossible for him to properly attend to this branch of his work and Mr. Haskell will certainly be a worthy successor.

The following communication has been received for publication concern-

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Mrs. Julia B. Davis,
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Harvard, January 14, 1916)



NERVES AND HOW TO CONTROL THEM.

Rules of Right Living Which Will Help One to Escape Ner-

vousness.

set all these foolish ideas, and we have exhaustive search for the main cause, ment.

come to look at these matters in the its removal if possible and then a thoriginal possible and the possibl

sense rather than to follow meaning-less tradition. The nerves are the most delicate structures in the body,

Off Irritation and They May and the first to suffer from improper food, impure air or other irritations or poisons, but there is no such thing as a

FRYOUSNESS in one form or another constitutes a tremendous percentage of the affile tions of the inhabitants of American cities. Not only are the nervous wrecks increasing and sanitaria and insane asylums multiplying alarmingly, but we see on every hand the lesser degrees of the articular disease or symptom itself, but the effect upon the general bodily health and the function of individual organs and the festing munitipy.

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By DR. R. KENDRICK SMITH.

FRIVOUSNESS in one form or another constitutes a tremendous precisely the same foods which nourish the rest of the body and by no reducing to a minimum every possible to a minimum every

Wenen, unfortunately, constitute the majority of these cases, and, as a consequence, there is an enormous consumption of so-called nerve foods and tonics and an endless variety of nerve specialists, whose offices are impulses will then proceed to travel. If it does, normal this blood will be thoroughly purified then proceed to travel.

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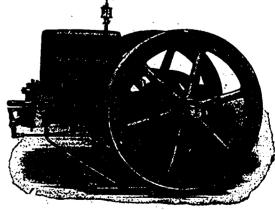
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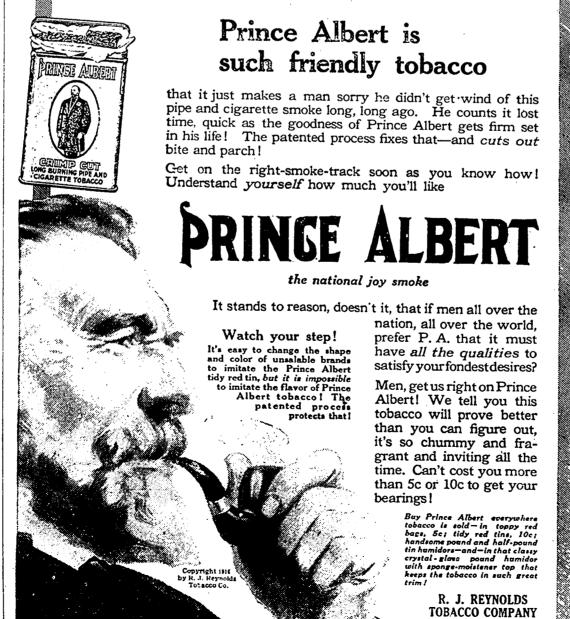
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### SHIRLEY

News Items.

Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., held Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., held its regular meeting Monday evening with Mrs. George S. Wells. The extreme cold and sickness of several of the members made the attendance small. It was voted to hold a whist party soon. An article has been inserted in the town warrant to see if the serted in the town warrant to see if the town will vote to pay the amount which has been appropriated to Shirley toward the George Washington Memorial building to be built in Washington, D. C. Rev. E. F. Halfacre gave interesting reminiscences of southern life. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Elmer H. Allen, Harvard road, February 22, when officers for the ensuing year will be elected.

Leonard Hooper, of Irving, spent the

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Miss Millie Parker, of the Center fell and broke her wrist while descend-ing a flight of stairs in her home last week Thursday night.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen spent the week-end and Sunday in Boston with their daughter, Mrs. David B.

Thomas E. Whittaker, who has been confined to his home with a severe attack of the grippe, has recovered sufficiently to go out a little while each

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will install its officers elect at the regular meeting on Monday evening. The in-stalling officers will be Edward H. Harlow, d.d.g.m., and suite, of Leom-

All citizens who are candidates for town office must file their nomination papers with the town clerk on or be-fore January 27.

Miss Bertha Credit left Monday for Holyoke, where she will spend a month with her sister.

There was no session of the fifth and sixth grades in the public schools on Monday, owing to the illness of the teacher. Miss Nellie McNiff. Mary A. Livermore Rebekah Jodzewill install its officers-elect on Friday evening, January 28. The installing officers will be Mrs. Grace E. Winslow.

of Ayer, district deputy president, and

David B. Marsh, of the Center, has been confined to his home for a week or more with an attack of the grippe. The fire department was called out

The fire department was catted out on last week Friday at noon for a small fire at the barn which adjoins the residence of George N. Hersom, Main street. The fire was caused by the placing of hot ashes against the rear of the barn, which burned a hole through the barn about two feet square. The damage in all probability will not become the sum of ten dallars. will not exceed the sum of ten dollars

Mrs. Hittie W. Evans attended the Mrs. Hittle W. Evins attended the funeral last Saturday in Allston of Caroline A. Edgarton, wife of George M. Edgarton, who passed away from the effects of pneumonia last week Thursday at the age of fifty-eight years. George M. Edgarton is a native years. Georg

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Goochee, of Montana, with young son Raymond, have arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. David B. Goochee, parents of the former for a wife. former, for a visit.

Frank C. Brockelman is contined to

his home with the grippe.

Agnes, Ruth and Laura, the three daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Harry H.

Lynch, are at home with the grippe. John H. Logue is confined to his home with the grippe.

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The Board of Trade meeting which was scheduled to be held in Engine hall last week Friday evening, was postponed until next week Friday evening. Mrs. Rena W. Elsver, Mrs. Jennie Mrs. Rena W., Elsser, Mrs. Januares, Rerson, Mrs. Knawles, Mrs. Frances, Herson, Mrs. Adae Howe and H. B. Howe attended the installation on Wednesday evening of the officers of Vesta Rebekah lodge of Ayer.

Mrs. Shipley W. Ricker returned to her home in Mt. Vernon, N. Y., on Thursday after a visit with her par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harris.

Mrs. Eddie Baker is still quite ill with the grippe. The Ladies' circle of the Congreka-tional church will meet for sewing at the home of Mrs. Louise Butler on Wednesday afternoon, January 26, at

three o'clock. A good attendance is Mr. and Mrs. George H. B. Clark

are both confined to their nome with the grippe. Mr. Clark has been ill for over a week. Mrs. Clark was taken sick on Wednesday. Mr. Clark's mother, from Ayer, has arrived at the home to care for them.

## Candidates for Town Offices.

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The following are this year's candidates for town offices: Clerk, Arthur G. Dunn; selectman, 3 years, Charles H. Tewksbury: treasurer, Frederick W. Holden; assessor, 3 years, Howard Fuller, 1 year, Arthur G. Dunn; overseer of the poor, 3 years, Morton E. Lawrence, 2 years, Thomas S. Gately, Marriel H. Lynch, school committee, 3 Lawrence, 2 years, Thomas S. Gately, Harry H. Lynch; school committee, 3 years, Charles H. Weare, Jr.; board of health, 3 years, Thomas E. Lilly; constables, John H. Logus, Arthur H. Bassett, Frank Pelote, Ax collector, Ralph S. Wheeler; tree warden, A. A. Adams; auditor, 1 year, Elmer H. Allen, S. LeRoy Longley; trustee public library, 3 years, Martha J. Conant, Mary M. Nickless; highway superintendent, Clayton M. Wells, Charles E. Haskins. The contest for town offices this year which has developed thus far is for the office of overseer of the poor, constable and highway of the poor, constable and highway superintendent. January 27 is the last day for the filing of nomination pa-pers and there is ample time for the appearance of more aspirants to town office. Town meeting takes place on Monday, February 7. All citizens of the town who are this year candidates for town office must file their nomination papers with the town clerk on or before January 27.

## Annual Meeting.

The annual meeting of the voters of the Shirley Village Water District was held in Engine hall Monday even was field in Engline and Monday evening. Frank H. Wheeler was chosen as moderator, and Harry H. Lynch, clerk. The reports of the secretary, treasurer, water commissioners and auditor were read and accepted. The following officers were then re-elected Fred D. Weeks, water commissioner for three years, and William H. Wil-

bur, auditor.
The report of the commissioners was a volume of statistics, concise an detailed, and showed that no new con detailed, and showed that no new con-struction was undertaken by the dis-trict during the past year and no new main pipes were laid with the excep-tion of 120 feet of eight-inch pipe by the Samson Cordage Works. No new services were connected with the sys-

The total number of services now connected with the system is 248. All of these services, excepting only the watering trough in Depot square, are supplied through meters.

The winter of 1914-15, not being a very severe one, no trouble was experienced from freeze-ups. On account of the extremely wet summer and probably also to the additional supply obtained from the No. 5 well, there has been no shortage in the supply during the past year and the draught on the wells has not been overtaxed their capacity in the least. The following is a summary of receipts and payments for 1915:

\*\*Receipts\*\*

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Receipts	•	
Cash balance Dec. 31, 1914	\$1,206	43
Taxes, account 1914	99	3
Interest on same	4	2
Taxes, account 1915	860	5
Water rates	4,017	0,
Hydrant rentals	1,319	9
Repair of meters	28	6
Interest	17	0
	\$7,553	2
Payments		
Note No. 12, loan of 1903	\$1,500	0
Note No. 6, loan of 1909	500	01
Main	7	7
Service pipes	6	5
Matana	151	

District Account 1915 Cumping, 12 months \$5,501 59

Cash balance, Dec. 31, 1915

\$7.553 23 Balances December 31, 1915 \$57,722 70 2,951 64 379,771 31

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Consumption

Consumption at date (district)

Estimated population on lines of pipe (including State Industrial Rehoof)

Estimated population supplied 1.500

Estimated population supplied 1.550

Total consumption for year

25.885.500 gallons

Passed through meters
12.108.403 gallons

Percentage of consumption metered 48.75 gallons

Average daily consumption

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Average daily consumption

Gallons per day to each inhabitant
on pipes
Gallons per day to each consumer
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39.82 gailons Carlons per day to each consumer 29.82 gallons Garlons per day to each tap (247) 29.824 gallons cost of supplying water, per milhon gallons, figured on total maintenance Total cost of supplying water per milhon gallons, figured on total maintenance and interest on notes \$124.68

It was voted that a tax of \$1990 beloved for the year 1916, the same to be payable not later than the fifteenth ty of October, and on all taxes taning unpaid after the first day

cannar unpaid after the first day of loveme are interest will be charzed at the rate of 6 percent per annum from the lifteenth day of October. In remard to the provisions of chap-re p52, acts of 1914, being an act rela-ve to pensioning laborers in the em-loy of fire districts and water districts

t was voted upon and rejected.

It was voted to set the rate of compensation for tax collection the same as it was in 1915, 1½, and the cost of the bond to be assumed by the water district.

water district.

No new notes were issued during the year. There were paid on account of the loan of 1203 one note. No. 13, for \$1.506, and on account of 1809, one note. No. 6, for \$500. By these payments the loan account now stands has follows: is follows:

Loan of 1903 Lonn of 1909

\$34,990 00 Total outstanding loans

Total outstanding loans \$23,990.00
The notes of the loan of 1903, bearing interest at 3½%, are held by the North Middlesex Savings Bank in Ayer, and the notes of the loan of 1909, bearing interest at 4½%, are held by the First National Bank of Ayer.
The board of water commissioners organized with Fred D. Weeks, chairman; Thomas L. Hazen, treas.; Chas. H. Weare, Jr., sec.
The commissioners made mention in their annual report of the water

The commissioners made mention in their annual report of the water district of the death on July 28, of James P. Tolman, born November 7, 1847, a member of the board of water commissioners from its greening. IN47, a member of the board of water commissioners from its organization in 1903 to January 1914, at which time he withdrew, owing to the amount of other business demanding his attention. He was one of the originators of the idea of a water district and was one of the principal movers in its establishment, serving the district untiringly and gratuitous, during the time he was a member during the time he was a membe

The next meeting of the Girls' Sewing guild will be held with Miss Ethe M. Holden on Saturday afternoon, Jan-

of the board of commissioners.

Miss Helen M. Winslow went to Bos ton last Saturday to attend the wed-ding of a friend.

Miss Eleanor Kyme, who is staying with Miss Elsie Kirby, spent the week-end in Lunenburg with Mr. and Mrs. George Holden, on Clark road, fin-ished filling his icohourg at Day

ished filling his icchouse at Robbins pond last week. Thomas H. Evans has returned after nding a few days in Francestown

Arthur R. Holden has been confined to his home with the grippe, but is able to be out again.

Misa Milly Parker, on Center road, oll last week, breaking her right rist. She is reported to be getting along comfortably.

not meet, but all classes will meet as

of twelve at noon and ten in the even-ing. This will be the last chance to egister before town meeting.

### LITTLETON

News Items. Mrs. Lawrence went to Boston Wednesday for a visit of several days with Southern friends. She is making her headquarters at the City Woman's club on Beacon street, and will be at the Adams House part of the time.

A postcard containing a picture of the Congressional library at Washington, D. C., from Mrs. Walter T. Speirs informs us, that while she and Mr. Speirs were visiting that building they chanced upon one of our local papers in which to their surprise they read a full account of their wedding.

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The chairman of the Civics committee announces that the meeting next Monday afternoon will be open to the public. Special guests of the Woman's club will be the teachers, the Campire girls, daughters of club members, and all women and men who are interested in the subject are cordially invited. Miss Rachel Gray Whitcomb, assistant at the South End house, Boston, who was enjoyed so much by our ton, who was enjoyed so much by our the Town Officers to be voted for at women that heard her at the Fitchburg the annual town election. Pebruary Woman's club last year will speak on the work in which she is engaged.

The regular monthly meeting of the Philathea class will be held with the vice-president, Mrs. N. B. Conant, next week Saturday afternoon at 2.39 o'clock. The annual election of officers will take place at that time,

Miss Miriam Cash is at home with a cold. Her aunt, Miss Edgerly, is sick in hed with an urly carbuncle, containing twenty openings.

The William Dodds family of Great Road are all sick with the grippe. L. W. Chase is laid up with a sore foot that was crushed between cakes oc ice on the pond where he was work-ing last week. This necessitates wearng a plaster cast and taking a vacation of a few weeks.

Dorothy Worthin, eight years of age, was taken to Groton hospital last week and there underwent an operation for gangrene appendicitis. The case was considered almost hopeless, but latest reports are very encouraging and re-covery is expected. Dr. Goodwin of 'linton, one of the most skilful sursecons in this state, performed the op-ration and to his splendid work and the good nursing are chiefly due the successful results.

Senator C. A. Kimball was a guest of honor at the banquet given to Lieut. Winfred C. MacBrayne at Hotel Richardson in Lowell Monday night in recognition of his appointment to the staff of Gov. Samuel W. McCall. Republicans, democrats and progressives were present and party lines were swept away in the sociability and good fellowship of the evening.

Owing to the scarlet fever scare the igh school jumors gave up their play heddled for last week Friday night. N. H. Whiteomb and sons, Harold and Adams, visited the Boston poultry show last week. Philip Prescott, of Bindge, N. H., was the guest of his mother, Mrs. J. H. Kimball, on his ed, at two o'clock in the afternoon on way to the poultry show.

The Back Log entertainment which more or less situated in said Ayer on was slated for this week Thursday evening was postponed until next week Tuesday evening. The change was made because some of the members Street, bounded and described as folwished to accept the invitation to the complimentary ball in Harvard last "Be Thursday evening.

A bird dog belonging to Harry afterwards.

On January 24 the Woman's club will listen to an address by Miss Whit-comb, of South End House, Boston, A piano duet by Mrs. Young and Mrs tone, and a vocal trio by Mrs. Hartwell, Mrs. Hager and Mrs. Houghton are promised. Mrs. Florence J. Wil-cox will have charge of the tea.

Church and Parish Meetings.

Members of the Congregational church and parish sat down to an appetizing dinner in the vestry last Saturday. Following this the church and parish meetings were held. Rev and parish meetings were held, key. J. C. Alvord acting as moderator at the church meeting and G. A. Cook serving in the same capacity at the parish meeting. Reports of officers and committees were read and approved, and the officers of church and proved. parish were generally re-elected. Ushers chosen for the new year were Wesley Elsnor, Frank Gregory, Har-old Conant and G. A. Cook. The treasurers report a good financial standing, with but few bills due and

standing, with but few bills due and unpaid. It is hoped that these obligations will soon be met.

The number present was about the same as usual. A few of the regular attendants at the annual meetings were absent on account of sickness. were absent on account or sickness. However, the occasion was pleasant from a social point of view, and the business was conducted promptly, the spirit of harmony and fellowship pre-valling as usual.

Church Notes.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield preached a very interesting war sermon last Sunday on the topic. "Why is it true that the history of war is the history of the human race itself? and must it remain so to the end of time?" In connection with this sermon Mr. Fairfield announced a series of sermons to be given from time to time on the general subject of war as follows:

2. What ideas have compelled peo-ple to wage war? What have they fought for? 3. Does war pay? Have the natives

services were connected with the system during the year.

The total increase in the construction account for the year amounted to \$165.77, the quantity of water pumped to be sawn work on. William \$1.00 on \$1.00

during 1915 was 26,888,500 gallons, a decrease of 1,378,100 gallons than the decrease of 1,378,100 gallons than the during 1914. The largest amount pumped in any one month was 1,993,200 gallons in the month of May.

The total number of services now connected with the system is 248. All of these services, excepting only the watering trough in Depot square, are

as school teacher on account of a severe attack of the grippe.

R. G. Dort, of Groton School, conducted the service at Trinity chapel last Sunday afternoon and will again have charge of the service on Sunday. On account of the illness of one of the teachers the Sunday school classes did not meet, but all classes will meet as

might or by deeds of kindness that usual on Sunday afternoon, directly after the service.

The registars of voters will meet in the town hall on Saturday, January 29 for the purpose of adding any new names to the voting list before the annual town meeting. They will be in session at the hall between the hours of twelve at noon and ten in the even-

"Here are topics for six sermons, said Mr. Fairfield, but I shall not giv said Mr. Fairneid, but I shail not give them consecutively. As an old Scotch-man said of the doctrine of eternal damnation, "No constitution would be equal to that." But I shall give them from time to time in the weeks that

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Seventh, 1916. CHÁRLES H HASKELL, BENJAMIN J. PRIEST, JOHN E. MAYNARD. Selectmen of Harvard.

### REGISTRATION NOTICE

The Board of Registrars of Voters vill be in session in the Selectmen's toom, Town Hall, Huward, for the purpose of Registering Voters for the Hulled Oats oming Town Election.

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saturday. January 29th. from 12 My Hens are Laying to Beat the Drum FRESH EGGS FOR SALE EVERY o'clock noon to 10 o'clock P. M. CHARLES H. HASKELL, BENJAMIN J. PRIEST, JOHN E. MAYNARD, JAMES L. WHITNEY.

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containing Fifty-Seven (57)

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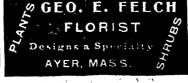
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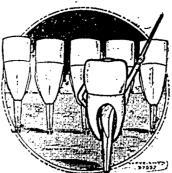
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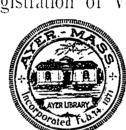
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The Board of Registrars of Voters will be in session in the Selectmen's Room, Town Hall Building, for the purpose of registering voters and cor recting the list of voters,

Thursday, January 20, 7.30 to 9.30 P. M. Saturday, January 29, 12 M. to 10

P. M. Registration will close at 10 P. M. Saturday, January 29, and no names will be added to the voting list after that date until after the next election, except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding 30th day of April and the close of registering, or to correct a clerical error or mistake.

Persons wishing to register should bring a tax bill or a notice from the Collector of Taxes to show that they have been assessed for the year 1915 Naturalized citizens wishing to register must show their certificate of

naturalization.

PETER B. MURPHY. FRANK J. MALONEY, LOUIS H. CUSHING. GUY B. REMICK,

Registrars of Voters. COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, 88. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of EVELINE S. PARKER of Pepperell, in said County.

Whereas, FRED W. LOVEJOY, conservator of the property of said Eveline S. Parker, has presented for allowance, his first account as such conservator. COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-TTS. Middlesex, 88. Probate Court

vator.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County, on the seventh day of February. A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And waid conservator is ordered to

o clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And raid conservator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourtien days at least before said court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventeenth day of January in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen. 

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Subscribers are urged to keep their aubscriptions paid in advance.

Saturday, January 22, 1916.

### GROTON

### News Items.

William H. Gay, after three and a half years with the Goodrich Rubber Co. of Boston, has resigned his position and purposes to stay at home for awhile, helping his father on the

The following is taken from the Clinton items in the Boston Globe of Friday, January 14: "At her home on Chestnut street last evening Miss Gertrude Grady, whose marriage to Louis Sheedy of Groton is to take place next Monday, was tendered a shower by Monday, was tendered a shower by the operators at the local telephone exchange. She was given a dinner set and many other gifts.

The woman hater," given in town hall last week Thursday and Friday evenings for the benefit of the Oddfelevenings for the benefit of the Øddfel-fellow Hall Building association, was much enjoyed, being a fine play, humorous throughout. The characters were admirably taken, as was expected from the previous success of the well-known local talent employed. The handsome gowns worn was a feature that called out high compliment, both for the wearers and for the garments

Mrs. William B. Robinson is better of her recent attack of bronchitis.

After reading the valuable communication by W. P. Wharton in these columns a few weeks ago, the query has arisen among those who have rant and gooseberry bushes, whether rant and gooseberry bushes, whether there is not any remedy that may be applied to the bushes so that they may be saved as well as to stop the spread to the pines? Some have only a few bushes in their gardens and would hate to lose the fruit if it is possible to have it and at the same time not to help in the great disaster which to help in the great disaster which the properties of the to help in the great disa may befall the pine trees.

Myron P. Swallow, who underwent operation for hernia at the Grotor hospital three weeks ago, returned home last Sunday.

Mrs. M. W. Parkhurst has moved from the upper to the lower tenement of her house on Champney street. Joseph F. Bateman has been kept from work on our trees by an attack of grippe and is not yet able to go outdoors. Meanwhile the moth work is being carried on by William Brad-

who is superintending it for the

is the latest victim to be seized the scarlet fever. Malcolm Gibson has been kept from stones.

We find in the Clinton Item of Jan-uary 17 the picture and sketch of his life with obituary of Calvin Childs, a war veteran, who died at his home in South Lancaster on Monday, January 17. The sketch says he was born in Pepperell April 29, 1839, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Abram—Childs. The names, Abram and Calvin Childs, are names to be found in the historical Mr. and Mrs. Abram Childs. The state federation. Mrs. Foole advised names, Abram and Calvin Childs, are every woman's club to belong to the names to be found in the historical records of Groton. The building called now "Childs block," was where Calvin Childs had his blacksmith shop.

This war vature of Laprocuter to: This war veteran of Lancaster just ceased must have been of the same

J. A. Burton, principal of the Hich school, gave a talk Tuesday afternoon at the parents' and teachers' meeting. His subject was "Education," a subject which measured. fect which necessarily covered much ground. One of the leading points of the talk was the needed cooperation of parents with teachers and with others of the public besides the parents; that the pupils do not receive all their education from the teachers. The address was a very good one, but attendance at the meeting was y small, only about twenty being

The Groton Woman's club meets The Groton Woman's club meets next week Friday afternoon. Under the department of literature, Mr. Hinchman of Groton School will speak on "The English lake district." The date of this meeting, January 28, 12 the bath of the second se is the birthday of our former citizen. he late Hon. George S. Boutwell. His daughter, Miss Georgianna Boutwell, will at this time present to "The Bout-well school," a picture of her father in whose memory the school was amed.

hamed.

Mr. Lyman, superintendent of schools, has given out notice that Mr. Miers of the faculty of Framingham Normal school will speak next week Wednesday afternoon in Miss Woods' room of the high school building. He will talk to the pupils at ten o'clock and at three o'clock to all who improve this opportunity of hearing him. We have Mr. Lyman's word for it that what he says will be something good. what he says will be something good. Samething well worth hearing.

The meeting of the Neighborhood club was with Mrs. Etta Sargent on Wednesday afternoon. The preva-Wednesday afternoon. The preva-lence of illness from colds kept several lence of illness from colds kept several of the members at their homes. Only twelve being present. The usual routine of roll call with quotations, current events and business meeting was observed. Mrs. Harriet Gray. gave the current events, After a reading "Peace on earth," by Mrs. Grace Dickerman, came a solo by Miss Tuttle. Refreshments and afterward the club song brought the pleasant meeting the color of the groom, as best man.

ame officers as last year were re-

send last week Friday and the officers of the Pearl Hill lodge at Fitchburg

this week Tuesday night. There will be readings by Mrs. Warren Sturgis at the library Friday, January 28, and Friday, February 4, at eight o'clock. The public is cordially invited.

On account of the illness of Mrs. Ardelle Warren, the current events section of the Woman's club will meet next week Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. William H. Whitehill, instead of with Mrs. Warren as given in another item in this column.

resent. Mrs. Abram Miller of Champney
Little four-year-old Elsie Cunningstreet went Friday to the Clinton hosam is the latest victim to be seized pital, where she will be operated on pital, where she will be operated on Saturday by Dr. Goodwin for gall-

school for over a week by the chickenpox.

Mrs. Grant Shattuck hears frequently from her husband who has gone
he is at present. His trip so far has
proved most enjoyable and beneficial.
His health is greatly improved.

Mrs. William F. McMahon of Sto lie. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Sawyer charge of the dinner. We may able to make a fuller report

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owned by Arthur G. Fuller, formerly and in the settling of a new country; the property of the late Abbott family.

The annual town meeting is to be held on the first Monday in February.

We find in the Clinton Item of January 17 the picture and sketch of his

were made to yield in vegetation and the foreign element were especially enger in the work.

On Mrs. Poole's remark that it seemed as if Brockton took all the garden prizes at the exhibits, Miss Boutwell reminded her that Groton

Boutwell reminded ner that Groton had always come in for a good share, having had silver cups, etc., awarded them. Mrs. Poole was glad to learn of Groton children's success. Their club made much of pictures. They Mrs. Fred W. Mansur has been kept to thome for the past week or two, feeling unable to go out.

Mrs. Weber of Elm street, who has a chronic illness is at this time control of the street with the street who has days of picture exhibits, noticed two young boys, ragged little urchins,

they lingered longest over certain ones. One of these was a sunset and another a scene on the Hudson. On inquiring why those were favorites, the answer was "they make me feel good." The effect of good beautiful pictures is thought much of in the Brockton club.

Mrs. Prode was an interesting speak.

Mrs. Poole was an interesting speak-Mrs. Poole was an interesting speaker and only some of the points made in her talk are given her. The company adjourned to the lower reom for music and club tea. Miss Tyrrell sang "A time to smile" with Mrs. Holmes at the piano. Refreshments followed. Mrs. F. F. Woods and Mrs. Needham pouring. Mrs. Tyrrell sang, "A Massachusetts Federation hymn," written by Mrs. Harrietta Chase for "The Groby Mrs. Harrietta Chase for "The Gro-ton Woman's club," the words sung to the tune of "Watch on the Rhine."

Wedding.

The following is from the Clinton tem of January 17: In the church of Our Lady of the Rosary, this morning at nine o'clock, took place the marriage of Gertrude, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel H. S.

own day club song brought the pleasant meeting to a close:

Joseph F. Bateman, who has for some years past filled the office of moth superintendent, has resigned, not to consider him a candidate for the position. He has been laid by tack of grippe and pleurisy for the last five weeks and is now just able to be around the house. In the meantime william Bradley acts as superintendent, he will not be a candidate for received to the president requests that not distinguishing mark be placed upon the boxes. The provided was of cerist with the village and tentration on the village and the village in provided to the village and the village in the village and the village and the village and the village in the village and the village the same officers as last year were reelected.

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Middlesex Rebekah lodge enjoyed the
moonlit ride down and back from
Ayer, where they enjoyed attending the installation of the Vesta Rebekah

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There were fifteen members of the word in the installation of the cotton weaving industry.

Mrs. Sheedy left this noon for a honeymoon, a part of which will be spent
at the Baldpate Inn, Georgetown. On
their return they will reside in Groton.

The program ended with vocal solos by Miss Sylvia
Lawrence, accompanied by the organ
and violin, played by the Misses Bixbylodge.

where they will be at home to their friends after May first.

The bride received her education in the Clinton public schools, graduating from the high school in the class of 1203. For a number of years she has been supervisor in the local office of the Rew England Tel. and Tel. Co.

The groom is a graduate of the Groton high school and Lawrency academy, class of 10. He is now in the grain business in Groton.

Mr. and Mrs. Sheedy were the recipients of quantities of wedding presents, including furniture, cut glass, silver, china, money, linen, etc. They carry the best wishes of a host of friends to their new home and life in Groton.

Groton.

Baptist Church Notes.

Both the morning and evening service on Sunday were well attended. Great interest was shown in the evening service. The subject was, "Who will go to heaven?"

at- as follows:

called on Saturday, who pronounced the case as scarlet fever. Cold and fever together caused serious illness. and for a few days Wilhe was a very sick boy. He is now reported as gain

Little Marian Blood, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Blood, is quite ill with the grippe.

state federation. Mrs. Poole advised every woman's club to belong to the General Federation.

The speaker took up each section of club work, the current events; educational, civies, arts and crafts, home economics, etc., and toid what they in Brockton were doing in those departments. She was very much pleased with their work of the home and school gardens, ther being three hundred, and all the children were very enthusiastic. The back yards even were made to yield in vegetation and the foreign element were especially

Andrew Blood has been confined to the house this wek with the grippe, one of our prevailing epidemics. Mr. and Mrs. O. H. Bixby have also suf-

fered from severe grippe colds. children Blood, have whooping cough.

Born, at Groton hospital, on Mon-Mrs. Fred W. Mansur has been kept at home for the past week or two, feeling unable to go out.

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had a chronic illness, is at this time
of writing, Wednesday, very low.

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The Baptist Content.

Nichols & Frost to the employees

Miss Florence Furbish, Miss Hazel Bates, John Hough and Lee Bixby attended Shirley Grange on Tacsday evening.

Members of the Grange who attend ed the Pomona meeting in Groton on Thursday afternoon, enjoying the dimer and installation exercises, were Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Bixby, Miss Husel. Bates, Miss Mildred Dodge and Donald Bixby. Little Porte made one of the party. Little Porter Bixby alice

A number of workmen are at G. About Town. class condition for another season. The Ladies' Aid society will meet on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Charles

in their school gardens. Mr. home of the bride's parents; only the in their school gardens. Mr. Trow-two families being present. Mr. and bridge spoke briefly on the develop-

and Mellish.

Last Sunday evening Mr. Caulkins, of Littleton Common, was present and started the ball rolling on the latest C. E. campaign, known as "the campaign of the millions." This will fit in nicely with the efficiency campaign aiready started, as it means progress in all directions. The subject for Sunday evening is "Amusement that its worth while." The meeting will

### BOXBOROUGH

will go to heaven?"

The services on next Sanday will be as follows:

Morning worship at 10,00; subject. Geers, both of Stow Grange, very ably installed the officers of Boxbord (Frange on Friday evening January 14, as follows: Frank W. Dodge, master: Grange on Friday evening January 14, as follows: Frank W. Dodge, master: G. Waido Livermore, overseer: Miss Sarah Bichardson, lecturer: Carl the boys was held on Monday evening. The room was illuminated with brilliant starlight sparklers. In the glow of the camptire Mr. Tucker read a story entitled. "The mystery of the old deserted cabin."

The subject of "The best boy in Groton, who is he!" was postpooned on account of the inclement weather until

Lyman school. Mr. and Mrs C. B. Robbins attended

the poultry show in Boston last Thurs-

## SHIRLEY

Announcement is made of the en agement of Miss Olive F. Marsh, of Vestminster, to Myron E. Harvey, Jr., of Fitchburg, a former well-known resident of this town.

The Altrurian club will observe zuest night on next Tuesday evening in the vestry of the Congregational

Miss Madeline Logue is substituting as teacher at the Center school for Miss Lund, who is sick. Miss Margreta S. Hastings, the prin

cinal of the high school, who has bee sick for the past three months at her home in Brookfield, has returned to Shirley and will resume her school duties on Monday. Miss Hastings is staying at the Congregational parson

Ralph. Dorothy and Arline Blood. The Alliance will meet with Mrs. hildren of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Luther Holden, "Elm cottage," next Thursday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock.

boarded here some months. Little
Marguerite Webster is with relatives
in Farmington, N.-H.

Miss Ethel Bliss visited the past
week with her friend. Miss Bella
Harding, of Fitchburg, and on Monday evening attended a banquet given
by Nichols & Frost to the employers. by Nichols & Frost to the employers of the firm.

The extremely cold weather this week has enabled W. V. Bixby to cut all the ice necessary to fill his ice-housen and the work of cutting teaming and packing is now completed.

Miss Florence Furbish, Miss High.

Mrs. John C. Ayres is confined her home with a severe attack of the grippe and heart trouble Mrs. Emaline Howard of Westministe.

staying with her for a few day; Mrs. Annie Postings, who has beer west Groton, has returned to held home at the North.

### HOLLIS, N. H.

Dr. Qua and wife from Pepperell were Sunday visitors with Mr. and Mrs. George W. Woodin.

Mrs. Francis A. Lovejoy and son Raymond spent a few days last week in Boston and vicinity. Miss Lena Ladd from Concord was at home Sunday with her parents, Mr and Mrs. Geo. A. Ladd,

The pubils in Miss Gertrude Hes-The pupils in Miss Gertrade Ins-sion's grades enjoyed a sleighride to Pepperell on Tuesday evening. They were driven by Bert S. Brown. On the way back they stopped at Mr. Brown's and partook of a lunch and spent a very pleasant evening there Little Franklin Worcester recently had adenoids removed by a Bostor physician.

Mr. and Mrs. Withington have re-cently had a visit from their daughter who lives in New York.

Mrs. Fred G. Muzzey was quite ill recently with an attack of the grippe, but at this writing is very much better. The young folks in town have been enjoying themselves immensely of late by skating and sliding.

The annual meeting of Camp Far-, S. of V., was held last week Tuesday evening and the following officers day evening and the following officers were elected for this year: Lester J. Hayden, com.; Walter N. Hayden, s. v.c.; Leslie B. Lecke, J.v.c.; Wm. E. Lund, sec. and treas.; Harold E. Hardy, Henry A. Wilson and Irving E. Messer, council. The installation of these officers together with those appointed by the commander takes place this Friday evening, January 21

iting at Charles Obers in Nashua re-Sunday evening is "Amusement that is worth while." The meeting will be led by Robert Bixby. The dower and prayer meeting committees will hold committee meetings this week.

The following item, which has been several weekn, delayed, may nevertheless be of interest to many: Born, at Sheidon Springs, Vt., a son to Mr. and Mrs. Delwin M. Shepley.

Mrs. Fred Hills, née Miss Helen Gray, formerly of this town, but now of Chicagof, Alaska, recently remembered to his clean, beredher unele on his eighty-second birthday by sending him a parcel post package from Alaska, which contained a gold piece, a pair of water seal socks and some confectionery, with which the venerable gentleman was greatly pieased. Mrs. Fred Hills, née Miss Helen

Mrs. Lewis G. Woods has been vis-

It is reported that Miss Nellie De-nault expects to train for a curs, and hat the will start on her new work in the spring.

Hon, C. A. Kimball has been assigned a place on the committees of agriculture, street railways and towns, holding the position of chairman on the last named.

Most of the farmers, Hartwell & Hosmer, and others have been busy harvesting ice this last week. A good quality of ice from twelve to fifteen inches thick has been taken from Long pond, Nagog and Warren lakes. Several children have been at home sick with chicken pox this week. Many of the cases have been in the

west district. Miss Hannah Dodge is expected home from Groton hospital today. Considering the serious nature of her operation convalescence has been unusually rapid.

Scarlet fever patients are improving and no new cases have been reported this week. Gordon Armstrong has been suffer ing from a very severe cold that bor-dered on diphtheria, but we hear that

he has sufficiently recovered to be out of the house again. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kimball and Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Kimball attended the extension school in Westford Wednesday,

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from one of P. W. Kane's cottages to Gardner, where Mr. Greenough is em-

Miss Mildred Dodge is assisting at H. E. Kemp's during Miss Kemp's Illness

The little son of Walter Lewis is

on the road to recovery. William Fallon is one of the latest scarlet fever victims. Miss Marion Parker has resigned er position with the Hollingsworth her position with the Hollingsworth & Vose Co. and is assisting Mrs. E.

A young son arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. H. Daly last week Fri-T. E. Thompson, jr., has accepted a positoni as fireman for Hollingsworth

& 'Vose Co. Albert Duquette is confined to his home with a slight attack of the

P. E. Smith and family enjoyed a sleigh ride to Pepperell Tuesday at-We understand the Gun club are stage a minstrel show in the near fu-ture, under the direction of James Green. under the direction of James

Andy and Albert went fishing last week Friday. It is reported all they caught was "a cold." caught was

Figures recently compiled show that the present population of N York is estimated at 5,333,537, the being an increase in four years lation of New 5.333.537, this WANTED—An American woman be-tween the ages of 30 and 40, in a family of two adults. Public Spirit Office.

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NOTICE IS HEIREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed executrix of the will of Sakadi ELIZABETH BARR, late of Groton in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon herself that trist by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the state of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to LUCY ANN DOLOGE. Executrix.

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### AYER

### News Items.

A. E. Lawrence has a new auto truck which is being used in his business. Charles E. Perrin, our popular plumber, is still having hard luck with his large auto truck. Monday he went to Harvard to do some work. At the close of his labors he started for home in his machine, when he noticed that the car required more than the usual power to move it. Unon investigation power to move it. Upon investigation ne found that the oil in the bearings of the engine had become so conof the engine had become so con-accaled by the intense cold that it failed to lubricate the said bearings, which were much damaged thereby. Charlie-was obliged to send out a distress sig-tial to E. O. Proctor for assistance. The rescue party made a quick trip to Harvard and toilsomely towed Charles and his disabled truck back to its moorings in Ayer. Incidentally it may be said that it will require considerable cash to put the car in good condition.

Miss Evelyn Sanderson has returned from a visit to her sister, Mrs. R. L. Bosworth, in Holyoke.

Foreman Michael Daley of the Boston Ice Company's houses at Sandy nond began gathering the large fice crop with a large force of men Monday. Mrs. John Sherlock slipped and fell on the ice near her home last Saturday

and broke a bone near the right ankle Mr. and Mrs. Hanson Savage, of Cohasset, left last Saturday for California, where they will make an in-definite stay. The trip is taken main-by in the interest of Mrs. Savage's health, which has been quite poor for several months. Mrs. Savage was Miss Bessie Kellogg before her marriage and was a resident of this town.

The subject of the Christian Science meeting at Dickinson's block, next Bunday morning at 10.30 is "Truth."

nome of Mrs. Blanche Whitney, East Main street, Friday afternoon, January 28, from three to five o'clock.

Joseph Augustus Peabody, who died in Lunenburg on January 11, at the age of eighty-nine years, was a shoemaker by trade and located in this town when a part of Grotom. He was proprietor of a boarding house located in the upper part of the building that was destroyed in the great free that was destroyed in the great free that

nes in the European war. Dr. was-ingford is a son of Mrs. Ida Walling-ford of that city and both were form-er residents of this town.

the dance," in four parts; "The call of the city," a one-part drama; "The gold-en oyster," and "Save the coupons," both farce-comedies. Next Wednesday evening Mary Pickford will appear in "Heads adrift," in four parts, a drama of tangled lives interwoven with the

when that institution was situated in Concord Junction. Three months ago of tangled lives interwoven with the mists of the sea; also, two other extrareless and Pathe Weekly.

Mrs. Bessie Jacobs, who was secretary for Col. Nickerson for a long time, and cared for him during his illness, has taken a room in the house occupied by Mrs. Chandler, next the Episcopal church, where she can be found if her services are required as a nurse in sickness.

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continuously.

Those who wish to be candidates for office at the annual town election on February 7, in order to get their names on the official printed ballot, must file their nomination papers on or before Thursday, January 27, at live o'clock in the afternoon with the town clerk. No papers can be received after that day and hour.

Mrs. L. H. Cushing is confined to her home by illness,

The Ayer Machine Company, the new firm which is to do business at the Chandler Planer shop, is still busy having their machinery installed. It is expected that by next week the firm

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Nomination papers are being circulated for the nomination of Chas. C. Wood for assessor, three years.

Readers of the department, "Ossawers to questions by enclosing a stamped addressed envelope and addressed envelope and addressing Dr. Smith at 19 Arlington street, Boston.

Frank Fletcher has bought a new Dodgo Bros. roadster model car.

Mrs. Ann Barlow, mother of Mrs. J. W. Brown, who has been very sick with pneumonia, remains about the sanie, She is out of danger and unless any further unfavorable conditions arise she will recover. Mrs. Barlow is over eighty-one years of age. Mrs. Brown is sick with the The home of the Howe family is or

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Yi we believe and almost all we know.

Saturday Japanese at the Saturday afternoon. The corremony was performed by Rev. E. C. Chariton of the Methodist church. They will live in Harvard. The name of George F. Kingsbury died last Tuesday morning of valvular heart disease, aged sixty years, from which he had suffered for quite a long time. Mr. Kingsbury's early life was spent in Windham, Vt. Later he came to Box. In Mrs. Clara L. Stone Felton, formerly of this town, was united in marriage to Mrs. Inda I. Wheeler, daughter of Mrs. Nellie Gilchrist, in Townsend last Saturday afternoon. The corremony was performed by Rev. E. C. Chariton of the Methodist church. They will live in Harvard. The name of George L. Wilson was added to the voting list at Wilson was formerly conducted by E. It likes.

church. They will live in Harvard.

The name of George L. Wilson was formerly conducted by E. H. Bige of the registrars of voters Thursday evening. The next and final meeting previous to the town election will be held on Saturday, January 29, from iwelve at noon to ten in the evening, bury was a carpender by trade and continuously. bury was a carpenter by trade and was considered my expert workman. He followed that occupation until ill health compelled him to give up work. The decased tears a brother, Everett N. Kingsomy, of East Northfield, Vt.

The funeral was held Thursday afternoon at two ochock.

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The body was placed in the receiving tomb at Woodlawn cemetery.

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Charles Briggs, who has been at the Clinton hospital, recovering from a surgical operation, will come home this Saturday. He will be under the care of Dr. J. J. Goodwin, the noted surgeon, of Clinton, for some time yet. Mr. and Mrs. O. Hartwell Kidder were host and hostess to the members of Harbinger lodge, K. of P., and their friends on Thursday evening. There were about thirty-live present. Whist was the event of the evening. Little Miss Gertrude Kidder served the guests with lunch which consisted of coffee, sandwiches, pickles, cake, cheese, fancy cookies and ice cream. Walter C. Winslow and Mrs. Maynard won first honors and Charles Harris and Mrs. Lucy Morse the consolation prizes.

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Attended the installation exercises
of Acton lodge on Monday evening.

The Ayer Machine Company, the The Ayer Machine Company, the new firm which is to do business at the Chandler Planer shop, is still busy having their machinery installed. It is expected that by next week the firm will be ready to begin active oberations. Twendy-five men are now employed, several being from Ayer.

Airs, Harriet Smith, of Leominster, and some installed these officers of colors this week Friday morning and

McCartin and J. P. Broderick, all of Lowell, who gave vocal and instru-mental solor, and Mrs. Lillian Moore, of Ayer, who gave vocal solos. The reading by Mr. Thornton was espe-Howell, who gave vocal and institu-mental solor, and Mrs. Lallian Moore, of Ayer, who gave vocal solos. The resting by Mr. Thornton was espe-cially interesting. It was adapted from the well-known novel, entitled. "Paul Clifford." The recital of the story tended to show the influence for evil which results from improper laws and the penal system of our day. Reduced to its substance it may be

n. Directly after installation there were entarks made by the installing officers and members of their suites, Miss Carrie Miller, of Fitchburg, and others, tirty miles an hoar on the level. It was equipped with a proper headlight, Directly after installation there were remarks made by the installing officers and members of their suites. Miss Carrie Miller, of Fitchburg, and others. Walter C. Winslow, c. c., and Mrs. James King, p. e. c., acted as toastimaster and toastmistress, respectively. Following the speech-making came the supper, which was in charge of two joint committees of Harbinger tologic and Harbinger temple, of which lodge and Harbinger temple, of which O. Hartwell Kidder and Mrs. James

King were the respective heads.
In addition to the installation there were drills by the ladies' degree team of Alpine Temple of Fitchburg, with Mrs. Viola Knight as commander, and

after midnight with the lodge and temple receiving hearty thanks for the fine evening spent and the splendid hospitality that they had shown.

Unitarian Church Notes.

Divine worship Sunday at 10.45. Service by the mirister. Preacher, itev. Edwin A. Rumball, Boston. Mr. Rumball has had a most unusual experience for a Unitarian minister. He has been preaching about eighteen years and in that time has been a missionary to English Romany glpsies and a medical missionary to the figherman of the Labradon and Newfoundiand and has had seven years' business training in a London house whose annual turnover exceeded 300,000,000. He was minister of the 000,000. He was minister of the church in Rochester, N. Y., for seven years, succeeding in that city the well known Dr. William Channing Gan-

A choice selection of the most pop-ular tracts setting forth the funda-mental convictions and affirmations of the Liberal Faith will be found in the racks near the door.

Frank E. Harlow, tenor, and Fred W. Hosmer, basso, were welcomed back to their old church last Sunday as members of the choir and quartet Both are also soloists.

The attendance continues to grow last Sunday setting a new mark

Inquest. The inquest on the death of W. Arthur Burrington, who was injured at what is known as the North Littleton. what is known as the North Littleton, Lowell and Fitchburg street railway station on December 26, was held in the district court Saturday morning, Associate Justice John M. Maloney presiding.

arnsworth, motorman and conductor, respectively, on the car that caused the accident; Archibald O'Clair, caused the accident; Archibald O'Clair, conductor for the road, who was off duty at the time of the accident, but who was riding in front vestibule with the motorman; W. M. Book of Lowell; a passenger; Edward Smith and Albert Duffy of Groton and Louis H. Cushing of Ayer, superintendent of the road.

meeting at Dickinson's block next
Conday morning at 16.25 is Truth.

Also Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on The Uniterian Gur's club are to have a dance in the town hall on the Coule West and the Louis Coule Wish week Friday morning and Clus may for Ayer, superintendent of Cushing of Ayer, superintendent of Cushi

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inheard or unheeded. There is nothing to show that Eurrington knew of this practice or had seen the second car approaching.

The fatal car was a Brill-semi-convertible box car capable of developing thirty miles an hour on the level. It was equipped with a proper headlight, controller, air brake and hand brake. It was in charge of Motorman David U. Robbins and Conductor Earl Flanders, both of Ayer. Conductor O'Clair who works for said company was riding on the front platform, off duty and bound for Lowell. Robbins did not intend to stop at the highway and was running bis car at a fair rate of speed as he approached it, ringing his gong constantly. He had blown his whistle at the whistling post. He saw Burrington between the rails on the further side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty feet away crossing to the northerly side of the highway about thirty f was running his car at a fair rate of speed as he approached it, ringing his gong constantly. He had blown his whistle at the whistling post. He the further side of the highway about thirty feet away, crossing to the northerly side of the track. He immediately applied the air brake and did his utmost to avoid the accident, but it was too late. The left front end of the car struck Burrington as he had

complete receiving nearly traines for the fine evening spent and the splendid the regular stop. I have no doubt the fine evening spent and the splendid the regular stop. I have no doubt the fine box in the officers installed were as follows: Harbinger lodge—Walter C. I mark their Groton, Groto

danger became aparent.

Therefore, I find that it does not appear that the unlawful act of any other person than the deceased contributed to the death.

### PASTORAL LETTER

To My People: Dear Friends-As your minister has

now taken up his residence among you, this pastoral may serve to indi-cate how you are to make use of his

Your minister, comes to you as a professional man and stands in the professional man a same relation to you as your physisame relation to you as your physician and your lawyer. Like them he bears a diploma certifying that, in the judgment of an institution of compatent authority, he is qualified for hisprofession. Like those who follow these other learned professions, he is bound by the ethics and traditions of his profession. One of the west in his profession. One of the most im-portant of these is the sacred seal. Under the sacred seal all professional confidences are received and forever

By his ordination vows your minister is bound to manifest zeal and fidelity in the three-fold office of the minis-

In the priestly function, it is his duty to serve as an intermediary, if any in-termediary be needed between the in-dividual member of his church and the Infinite Life which we call God. It is his function to interpret to his people the spiritual life just as the artist interprets to his people the beauty which hes back of the visible

world.

In the prophetic function, it is his duty to serve as a teacher of faith and morals. It goes without saying that it is not enough merely to hand on what one has received. The ideal is that the teacher of faith and morals shall seek for new light. If he wishes to publish good tidings to his people the minister, acting in his prophetic capacity, mus tion still more abundant and more

In the pastoral function, your minis-ter's duties are more inclusive. He is inclined to believe that the minster in his pastoral capacity can serve a needy world better than in either of the others. Jesus, the hero of our faith, has certainly appealed more to the hearts of men as the Good Shepherd hearts of men as the Good Shepherd than as the High Priest or Great Teacher. Frank B. Crandall.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF

# Personal Property

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage of pcr-sonal property given by Daudelin & Cotton, Incorporated, to Elmer E. Duncklee, dated May 17, 1912 and recorded in the town clerk's office of the town of Ayer in records of mortgages of personal property, book 3 page 156, for breach of the conditions contained in said mortgage and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction at the rendering plant of Ayer Rendering Company, formerly Daudelin & Co ton, incorporated, in said Aver on the easterly side of the road leading from Groton to Harvard and near Pine Meadows, so-called, on Monday, the seventh day of February, A. D. 1916, at 11.15 o'clock in the forenoon, the personal property described in sale mortgage which is now in existence and not released from the lien thereof

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## The Evolution of the Locomotive From the Pygmies of the Past to the Giants of the Present-What Becomes of Old Locomotives and Railway Cars and Those That Have Outlived Their Usefulness?

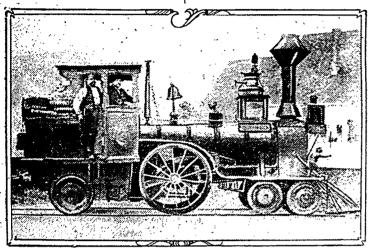
than by a comparison of the large and powerful steam and electric locomotives used by the New Haven today with some of their prototypes of some of the old New England railroads which now form part of the New Haven's system in southern New Eng-

Comparing these pygmies of the past with the giant locomotives of today brings to the mind at once the enormous strides made by rail transporta-

this country and its present cab. But the feature of this engine ming and lubricate the cylinders and high state of efficiency can be which attracted attention through the emphasized in no better way countryside was the figure of the little darky, Uncle Tom, mounted in front and used as a flag holder. This engine had four foot drivers.

The Leominster of the B., B. and F., sity.

Governor Bradford and the product of Engine No. 9 of the old Norwich and the same builders, the Leominster, also Worcester road, now one of the New of the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg, bears interesting testimony to the rapidity with which the evolution of the locomotive was proceeding in those tion in the last three-quarters of a cen- years and reveals the constant study



THE UNCLE TOM, 1844

tury and presents one of the chief real the early designers were making of the sons for the country's growth in this problems of increasing the power, period. These locomotives, seen in weight and speed of their creations, their successive types, are like steps in This locomotive weighed twenty-four the ladder of national progress

Some Historic Railroads. seen on the New Haven's lines, types and South Framingham. representing every stage of the locomo. The Washington, Built by Griggs, 1854 tive's marvelous evolution, and this is An engine of a somewhat different because the New Haven is made up of type and of later design was the Washmore of the original railroads of this ington of the Boston and Providence country than any other large system. This engine was built in the Roxbury

The Earliest Locomotives. Between the very early locomotives, for years made fast time over the line such as that seen hauling a train on between Boston and Providence, now 1841, and the latest Pacific type encifics and its limited trains. The Washgines used to haul the New Haven's ington weighed twenty-four and threefast passenger trains there is little re-quarter tons, its cylinders were 15 by semblance. Yet in these curious con- 20 and its driving wheels five feet in trivances, spouting smoke from their diameter. tall smokestacks and at first barely beating out the horse, is seen the germ. Washington was what is known as "an of the idea now embodied in all its inside connected engine," its main rods completeness of detail in the engines being between the frames and working of today. It remained for mechanical on a cranked axle joining the main genius to perfect this idea in order to driving wheels. This type is still fol-make the transportation industry the lowed by English engine builders. It genius to perfect this idea in order to great instrument of commerce and so, was discarded years ago by American

The Governor Bradford, 1844.

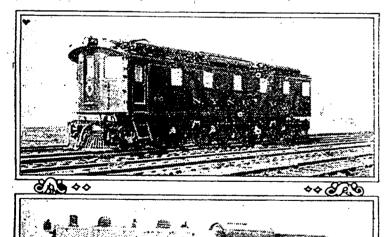
tons, had cylinders 16 by 20 inches and four and one-half foot drivers. For Many types of locomotives have been many years it ran between Fitchburg

The development of the locomotive is shops of the company by G. S. Griggs, indissolubly linked with the history of the road's master mechanic, who turned out many famous engines. This lothe old Hartford and New Haven in traveled by the New Haven's big Pa-

Like many engines of this period, the cial intercourse that it has now be, builders. In this type the cylinders are placed below the smoke box.

The Roger Williams, 1846.

Representing a considerable advance! Marking the transition stage from loover the very early types of loco comotives of the Governor Bradford motives is the Governor Bradford, type and those of a later period was which was once familiar to patrons of the Roger Williams. This locomotive the Old Colony. Here the locomotive was built in Lowell, Mass., and was was actually beginning to take shape, rebuilt and enlarged in 1846. It then Built by the old Boston firm of Hinck- weighed twelve tons, had 13 by 16 inch ley & Drury in 1844, this engine weigh- cylinders and five foot drivers. To this



THE NEW HAVEN'S LATEST ELECTRIC LOCOMOTIVE AND THE NEW HAVEN'S GIANT OF TODAY.

In 1885 this old engine, rebuilt and doing duty as a switch engine in the ven's shore line. Boston yards.

The Uncle Tom. 1844.

now merged in the New Haven syswood and for the purpose of letting thiefly to permit the fireman to crawl

ed fourteen and a half tons. Its cylin I tocomotive fell the honor of pulling the ders were 12 by 20 inches, and its sin- first passenger train from Providence gle drivers had a diameter of five feet. to Stonington in 1873 on the road, the New York, Providence and Boston modernized to some extent, was still which now forms part of the New Ha-

The Daniel Nason, 1858.

The Daniel Nason, for many year, A contemporary of the Governot one of the most famous engines of the Bradford and of the same type was Boston and Providence, was another the Uncle Tom, used at one time on creation of Master Mechanic Griggs the Boston, Clinton and Fitchburg, This engine was built in the Roxbury shops in 1858, weighed twenty-five and tem. Built some time in the forties, three-quarter tons and had cylinders this curious engine for years hauled a measuring 16 by 20 inches and four local passenger train consisting of two and one-half foot drivers. A concars between Fitchburg and Sterling, picuous feature of these engines was mass. Like all early engines, it burned the running board, with its guard rails

HE progress of transportation in off steam had a tall pipe close to the forward while the locomotive was runquently attained a speed of sixty miles in service until 1889. It was exhibited at the World's fair at Chicago and is now in the museum at Purdue univer-

> 1849. Appearing only five years after the The Mohegan of the N. and W., 1859. Haven's leased lines, was a type very common half a century ago and of which numbers are yet to be seen This locomotive, the Mohegan, was purchased of Samuel Hatch in 1859. It cost \$8,000, an average price for loomotives of that period. This engine reighed 50,360 pounds, had 14 by 22 inch cylinders and four and one-balf foot drivers. It made over fifty miles an hour at times

> > The Comet of the Hartford and New

Fairly representative of the American style engine of the sixtles was the engine Comet of the Hartford and New Haven, possessing among its features wo domes, one for the whistle and one for the safety valve, and having its sand boxes curiously concealed in the

The New Haven Engine of 1879.

The Herenies of the New Haven road s more or less typical likewise of the ocomotives of the early eighties, revening, as compared with its prototy, es, a great increase in weight and in the size of the driving wheels. This loomotive was built in the New Haven's in 1879 and weighed 75,200 pounds. Its driving wheels were sixty-1 from the trolley wire through the panhree inches in diameter. It was conlemned about 1897.

One of the Early Consols, 1880. Size and power became increasingly evident in the locomotives turned out for these New England roads in the

total weight of 251,500 pounds 334,100 nstead of being sixty inches in dimeter, are seventy-three inches, and here are six of them instead of two. Governor Bradford have grown into ylinders measuring 24 by 28 inches. and a further metamorphosis has been wrought in the addition of the super neater device by which steam is heated to a very high temperature, which adds 25 per cent to the power and fuel economy of the locomotive. These ocomptives exert a tractive force of

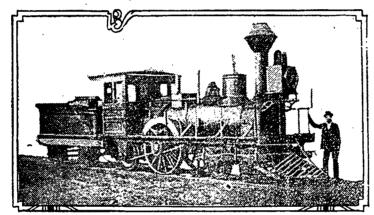
The New Haven's Latest Electric Lo comotive.

Typical of the new chapter of trans portation history which the progress of electrical science has brought about are the New Haven's latest electric locomotives used in hauling passenge and freight trains in its electric zone between New York and New Haven Differing radically in appearance fron he latest steam leviathans, these electric locomotives have little about then o suggest the tremendous tractive force of which they are capable. box on wheels? they might be called. Yet these electric locomotives will haul an 800 ton-passenger train at a maxi mum speed of fifty-five miles an hour. They will handle 1,500 ton freigh trains at a maximum speed of thirty

But more than this these electric mo ors can do. Unlike the steam locomoive, it is possible to hitch two together and operate them with one crew as : single unit on what is called the multide unit plan, thus doubling the power Thus two of these locomotives operated by one crew will haul a 1.600 ton passenger frain at fifty-five miles an hour and a 3,000 ton freight train at thirtyfive miles an hour.

Freight trains of this size, 3,000 ton being the trailing load, are, in fact, perated daily between the New Haven's Harlem river terminal and New

Haven, These electric locomotives weigh 110 tons, 80 per cent of this weight being directly on the four pairs, of drivers, The maximum tractive force they can exert is 40,000 pounds, 13,000 pounds ontinuously. In this type of motor the current, having 11,000 volts, passes tagraph and by means of transformers inside the cab is reduced to 600 volts and is then delivered to the motors. There are eight of these in all, arranged in four groups. These locomotives were built under the combined direction of the engineering forces of



THE ROGER WILLIAMS.

onsolidation engine No. 94 of the New York and New England. This type appears but a few steps behind the present. Built at the Hinckley works in Boston in 1880, the big locomotive reveals the great strides made by builders of the Governor Bradford in the decades that had intervened.

Without the tender this engine weighed sixty tons. It had 22 by 22 inch cylinders and forty-four inch drivers. It was one of the biggest engines seen east of the Hudson and for years cheaply and quickly he communicates was used in the freight service between Hartford and Hopewell Junction. Big as this engine appears in comparison with the early ones, it would take about four such engines to ven's largest engines of today.

## Two Early Moguls.

The Mogul type of engine is represented in the Capitol of the old Providence and Worcester road and also in engine 160 of the New York and New England. The latter was built at Providence in 1888 and weighed 127,000 pounds. Its cylinders were 20 by 24 and drivers sixty-eight inches This locomotive hauled the famous White Ghost passenger train on the New England between Boston and Willimantic and was the first large Mogul een in New England. In 1890 it was sold to the Housatonic road and thereafter was used in the freight service.

The New Haven's Giants of Today. Dwarfing even these large locomo tives, however, are the New Haven's Pacific type engines, known as the 1300 series, the embodiment of power and efficiency and capable of tremendous speed if required.

Compared with the fourteen and a half tons of the Governor Bradford, these leviathans of the rail weigh 154,-900 pounds on the drivers and have a

eighties, as shown, for example, in the the New Haven and the Westinghouse Electric and Manufacturing company, Secondhand Engines and Cars.

> The Independent of June 21, 1915 sks, "What becomes of all the old ocomotives and railway cars and those that have outlived their usefulness? And the paper replies: "They are sold

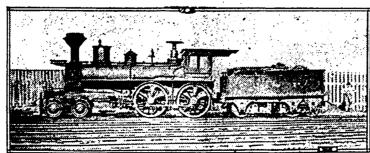
to small roads and to contractors, and

the market for them is worldwide. "When some one in India or Africa rest is easy. There are a number of dealers in secondhand railway equipment in this country. The advertise ments of their stock appear in the trade equal the efficiency of the New Ha-liournals, Negotiations are concluded quickly, and it is not long before a big tramp steamer loading at a New York lock has a consignment of hundreds of tons of railway cargo stowed in its hold to be unloaded at some port at the

world's end. "When, some years ago, the motive ower of the New York elevated line was changed from steam to electricity there was sent out one of the larges lots of secondhand railway material ever put on the market-340 engines and 134 cars. So Americans traveling in strange places frequently encounter these old elevated engines. Some are it Africa, some in India; they are seat ered all over South America. In Mex ico they are used by mining companies that have their own branch lines run ning to the government roads.

"In Japan, when the emperor's troops started off for Manchuria at the time of the war with Russia, many of the troop trains were hauled by these small nosed engines with the word 'Manhatan' still painted on them. Some of these engines were used on the Mukden allroad in the war.

"These tiny locomotives cost \$5,000 aplece when new; secondhand they



THE WASHINGTON, BUILT BY GRIGGS, 1854.

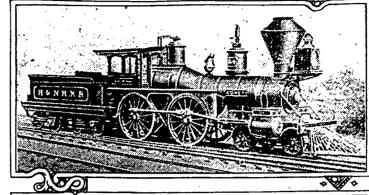
fetched from \$2,600 down. The cars were sold at from \$400 to \$600 each. "Cars and engines that have been used on steam railroads of standard gauge bring much higher prices. Prac-

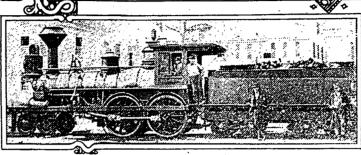
The 12 by 20 inch cylinders of the tically no freight cars are shipped entire, although there is a good demand for passenger cars. of these castoffs of the big railroads is mostly among the logging roads of the country. The railroad, as a rule, clings more tenaciously to its cars than to its

Present Railway Efficiency. With the development of the locomo tive the progress in other departments

575 are stockholders of the New Haven railroad. The stockholders of the country have increased in number in ten years 146,7 per cent.

The average journey of each passen ger on the railroads of the United States during 1914 was thirty-four The consumption miles, which compares with an average journey of 26.54 miles in 1894, or an increase of 28.1 per cent. Each train carried in 1914 an average of fifty-nine passengers, compared with forty-four in 1894. There were 1.032.086.000 pas engers carried on these railroads in 1914 and 540,688,000 in 1894, an in rease of 90.9 per cent, and there were





THE HARTFORD AND NEW HAVEN AND THE LEO MINSTER OF THE B., C. AND F., 1849.

kept pace. While in 1840 there were mile in 1914 as compared with 14,289,but 42612 miles of completed railroad in 145,000 passengers carried one mile the New England states, in 1914 there twenty years ago, an increase of 145.9 were 7.822 single track miles in this section and 13.628 total miles of all track. In this respect the United States has far outstripped Europe in the building of railways, for with a census estimated population in 1914 of 98,900,081 the United States had 245,894 miles of railway, while Europe, with a population of 455,547,673, reported but 212,641 miles of railway.

It would be impossible to compare freight and passenger car equipment of the present day with that of the early railroad period. While today the equipment of practically all railroads of the country is more or less standardized, in the early days of railroad building passenger cars in particular were of any design that appealed to the maker. In other instances old stagecoaches were utilized. The present equipment of the railroads of the United States is practically all modern. About four-fifths of the locomotives and freight cars now in use and about three-quarters of the past have been first in every stage of rail senger cars have been purchased since road development. No European coun 1900. An estimate of the cost of railway confirment now in use by railways representing 245,624 miles is the ratiroads of the United States not placed at \$3.573.689,300. Of the 2.304, of such low cost of operation. In three-267 freight cars in service in 1914 the quarters of a century the railroad manaverage capacity was 38.9 tons and agers of the country have taken More freight can be carried in one of motive and have constructed out of the modern freight cars than was that idea an efficient machine that is hauled in a freight train of twelve beyond comparison, cars in the early days of railroading.

Some idea of the growth of railroads may be gleaned from statistics of the

(00) miles, while the passenger cars

run 10,000 miles an hour. There are

352 stations and about 36,000 employ-

ees, receiving over \$33,000,000 a year

in wages. About 500,000 persons are

In 1914 there were 1,698,818 employ

States, who received compensation

amounting to \$1,373,069,811, or 45,15

per cent of the gross earnings. In other words, of every dollar taken in by the

railroads the employees get a little over

45 cents. Of all money paid out by the

railroads for operating expenses the

employees' share amounted to 62.51 per

The capital cost of the railroads of

the country is \$15,531,631,376, or \$64,-

479 per mile, which compares with a

capital cost of European railroads of

about \$25,000,000,000, or \$124,000 per

mile. It cost nearly twice as much to

build the European railroads as it did

to build those in the United States, de-

spite the higher cost of labor in this

There are 622,284 stockholders of

American railroad stock, of whom 26,-

es on the railroads of the United

served every day by this one railroad.

of railroad transportation has naturally 35,129,269,600 passengers carried one per cent.

The number of locomotives in tweny years increased \$1.5 per cent, while their weight increased 231.6 per cent The number of employees increased in the same period 117.9 per cent, and their compensation increased 212.9 per cent. There were 691 employees per hundred miles of line in 1914 and 444 in 1894, an increase of 56.1 per cent.

The present efficiency of American railroads and the low cost of the service may be seen from a comparison of the rates charged for hauling one ton of freight one mile. In the United Kingdom this service costs 2.39 cents in Germany, 1.37 cents, France 1.30 ents, Russia 1.17 cents, Austria 1.45 cents, while in the United States this ervice is performed for 7.29 mills, or 80.00720.

As the people of the United States vere the first to grasp the true significance of the discovery that steam could be utilized as a motive power, so they try can boast of such efficient railroad ervice as that which is performed by total capacity 89,784,883 tons, crude contrivance the original loca-

English Diggers of Old.

In the years 1649-50 there arose New Haven railroad. There are in the strange party in England called the tracks of the company over 600,000 Diggers. They might be seen in large ons of steel in the rails, which is 70, numbers in some localities, diligently 000 more tons than in all the battle-digging up and cultivating the waste ships owned by the United States gov- lands and out of the way places. rament. There are 2.223 bridges- They objected to the land being held thirty-one miles of bridges. The number by a few proud, covetous men, "to bag ber of freight cars is 37,000, passenger and barn up the treasures of the earth tars 2,500, locomotives 1,300. The from others." Yet, as one of their

only with what was common and un-

tilled and to make it fruitful for the

use of man." Gerard Winstanley, their

chief leader, urged that the poor should

be settled on the common or waste

lands and that in this way the coun-

try would yield much larger crops,

the hungry be fed and times be made

better for everybody. The Diggers

were very peaceable people and not at

all disposed to make trouble, but the

movement was suppressed by the au-

thorities. Nevertheless it had its in

duence in later years, for from 1760

to 1830 more than a thousand acts of

parliament were adopted for inclosing

Two Classes.

The human race is divided into two

classes, those who go ahead and de

something and those who sit and in-

quire, "Why wasn't it done the other

Remorse goes to sleep during a pros

perous period and wakes up in adversity.—Rousseau.

way?"-Oliver Wendell Holmes

and utilizing waste lands.

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freight ears run every day over 673, leaders said. "They intended to meddle

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### TOWNSEND

Center.

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In Odd Fellows' hall last week Friday evening, at the E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge, Mrs. Rockwood, district deputy president, and suite, from Groton, installed the following officers: Mrs. Hannah Gray, n. g.; Mrs. Agnes Woods, v. g.; Mrs. Mary E. Smith, sec.; Mrs. Harriet Savage, treas.; Mrs. Hattie Misner, r. s. n. g.; Mrs. Marygaret Higgins, l. s. n. g.; Mrs. Margaret Higgins, l. s. n. g.; Mrs. Eva Ely, r. s. v. g.; Mrs. Emma Seaver, chap.; Mrs. Edna Bray, warden; Mrs. Lillian H. Ross, con.; Mrs. Clara Heselton, i. g.; Mrs. Icea Cowdry, o. g.; Miss Lizzie Whitcomb, a. s. r.; Mrs. Belle a. s. l. Following the installation an excellent supper was served in the lenguet hall, in charge of Mrs. Ellen Richards and aids. During the social hour pleasing remarks were made by visiting and local members.

Friday noon of last week Rev. Al-

Friday noon of last week Rev. Albert S. Kilbourn returned to his pastorial duties in Enfield, N. H.

Mrs. Carrie Chase, of West Towns-end, formerly of Ayer, is at present employed in the home of Mrs. O. L.

Seeing a handsome, but timid-pheasant near the homes in our vil-lage last Sunday was a gentle remin-der to the children and grown-ups that during these cold days of snow and ice grain and food should be placed within the reach of our feath-ered friends that visit us from the woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cartiand are entertaining this week as guests Mrs. Cartland's sister, Miss Stella McPhee. and Alfred Huggan, from Brookline The youngsters seem to be enjoy-

ing coasting down the various hills in town in spite of the cutting winds and zero weather.

Seeing a handsome but timid pheasant this week near the homes of our village was a gentle reminder to the children and grown-ups that during lood should be placed within the reach of our feathered friends that visit us from the woods.

Mrs. Dora Chandler is entertaining s guest Miss Anna Kittredge of Leominster.

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The remains of Charles Mahla, aged thirty-six years, who died of typhoid pneumonia at his home in Jersey City, was brought to Townsend Monday evening and funeral services held Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock trom the home of Mrs. Mahla's sister, Mrs. Ellis Cook, Rev. E. C. Charlton of the Methodist church officiating, Mrs. Florence Gwinn and Miss Hattle Sanders sang "Lead kindly light" and "Sometime we'll understand." The bearers were George A. Wilder, C. Spofford, Austin Allen, Ellis Cook and Farley Kilbourn, Interment was in the Center cemetery. The deceased held a position as picker in a broker's office and was a favorite with his associates. He is survived by his wife, Mrs. Millie Parker Mahla, who has the sympathy of her friends in her affliction. Mrs. Mahla plans to return to Townsend soon and care for her aged father, Charles Parker.

The lecture and food sale given in The lecture and food sale given in

The lecture and food salvegiven in the Methodist hail on Tuesday evening under the auspices of the Epworth lengue was well attended and the food table received life hal patronage. The musical program, consisting of piano duet by Mrs. Waiter Farrar and Mrs. Esther Scales, piano solon by Miss Agnes Farrar and Mrs. Walter Farrar, violin, solo by Miss Katherine Markham, with Mrs. Farrar accompanist, and the letture that followed by Dr. Charlton on "Tales from the sea," was all thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated.

Mrs. S. O. Marshall has been en.

Mrs. S. O. Marshall has been en-tertaining this week her daughter-in-law, Mrs. George Marshall, of in-law, Mrs. George Marshall, of Athol; her granddaughter, Mrs. Chas MacLaren, of Detroit, Mich., and her great-granddaughter, little Miss Flor-ence MacLaren, four years sold.

Mrs. John Stewart, Fitchburg road, attended the poultry show in Boston and received a prize for her turkey gobbler. Her daughter, Miss Sidie Stewart, of Whitman, accompanied her to the show.

Miss Grace Barker, of Neison, N. H., has been the mid-week guest of Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Struthers, Mr. Struthers' brother Arthur, from Boston, has also been a guest at the paronage this week.

The bride wore a dick blue suit with hat to match. The bride is a Townsend girl, educated in our public schools and from a child has been a sweet singer. The groom is clerk in one of the offices at the Boston and

## Interesting Meeting.

Interesting Meeting.

A meeting of exceptional interest was held by the Congregational Latdies' Missionary society on last week Friday afternoon with the president. Miss Ellen Haynes, at the home of Mrs. Emma Davis.

Miss Haynes gave a talk on the work among the Indians at Santee and showed camera pictures of the school there and the Indian students at their various occupations.

Mrs. Clement outlined briefly the lecture given in Fitchburg recently by Charles A. Eastman, the Indian author and lecturer, bringing out many good qualities in the Indian which good qualities in the Indian which made for "True Americanism."

Mrs. Carrie Struthers and Mrs. Mary Davis spoke on "The new world —Alaska, our last frontier." Mrs. Sawyer gave some rays from missionary lights as over against the darkof Mormonism in Utah. Miss ness of Mormonism in Ctah. Miss Lucy Shedd read extracts from a pamphlet relating to the brave work of two Eaton brothers from Maine in establishing the now successful Bill-ings Polytechnic Institute at Billings. Montana. Miss Shedd also read a letter that she had received from Mr. Eaton, thanking her for the nice warm comforter and assured her it thad been given a place of honor in the guest room of the dormitory.

The contents of the letter has given by way of Washington.

to the elderly lady who, although quite feeble, keeps industrious with her needle. Mrs. Ball has been a very active and consecrated member of the Missionary society for years and her voice and presence at the meetings are greatly missed. She is able to have them meet with her at her home occasionally, which is a source of help and comfort to her.

West. Mrs. Maria Piper, who has been on the sick list for the past few weeks at her home on the Fitchburg road, is reported as improving.

Alden A. Sherwin, who is at present employed at carpentering in North Leominster, spent the week-end at his home here with his mother, Mrs. W. Z. Sherwin, his wife and little daugher being on a visit to relatives in Quincy.

A nurse from Reading is assisting in the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morgan in place of Miss Evelyn per was read by Miss Rath on "Hollis homes." and Miss. Rath on "Hollis homes." and Miss.

Miss Helen Plummer, who teaches in Fitchburg, spent the week-end at her home at Dr. R. S. Ely's.

Mrs. R. E. Ely spent the week-end with relatives in Boston and vicinity, returning to her home the first of the

week.

Mrs. Austin is again on the sick list, quite ill with the grippe.

The West Townsend Brotherhood recently elected the following offlicers and committees for the ensuing term: Henry B. Hathaway, pres.; Warren Elliott, v. p.; Herman L. Stickney, sec.; Ashbel Streeter, treas.; Rev. Joseph MacKean, teacher; Dr. R. S. Ely, Frank Boutelle, Abbott Hodgman, Carl B. Willard, Alexander Reed, social com.; George A. Seaver, Herman L. Stickney, Mervin Wares, Charles Hodgman, membership com.; Fred A. Patch, George Adams, Duncan Rusk, Justin C. Hodgman, visiting com.; lan Rusk, Dr. R. S. Ely, Rev. Joseph MacKean, boys' com.; Warren Elliott, William Mills and William W. Webster, personal interest committee.

ster, personal interest committee. The Ladies' Auxiliary of the Brotherhood met at the vestry of the Baptist church on Monday evening at the close of the open meeting of the Study club and adopted 'their constitution with twelve signers. The officers of the association will bring in a list of the committees to be voted upon at the committees to be voted upon at the birds and animals who inhabit the woods surrounding the town quite

Rev. Joseph MacKean attended the meeting of the Ministers' association in Fitchburg on Monday.

Notice has been given that Rev. 8. D. Ringrase, of Fitchburg, will give a concert and entert imment at the Baptist church in February, the object heigt to raise money for the payment of mortgage on the Highland Baptist church, of which he is now pastor.

The Ladies' Mission circle met on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Wednesday afternoon at the home of Miss Alice Seaver with a good attendance. The meeting was in charge of the president, Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman, the topic being "Churches of non-christian lands—their difficult beginnings," and after scripture reading by Mrs. Abbott Hodgman and prayer by Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence a very interesting program was enjoyed. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lucy Lawrence on February I.; topic, "Tilse of churches in non-christian lands,"

Mr. and Mrs. Amos. Lodery, bayer

Mr and Mrs. Amos Jodery have welcomed a son at their cottage on Canal street. Mrs. Daniel MacKen-zie, from the Center, is assisting at

zie, from the home. At the meeting of the Eclipse engine company Monday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year. Louis Welch, fore;; George H. Streeter, Ist asst.; George H. Tenney, 2d asst.; Clarence W. Welch, stew.; William W. Webster, Clerk and treas;; Louis A. Welch, stew.; William W. Streeter, standing committee.

Mrs Mary Forsyth is assisting in the home of Mrs. Austin during her illness.

Wedding.

A quiet home wedding took place on Saturday afternoon at 3.36 at the home of Mrs. Elsie P. Blood on Elm street, when her granddaughter, Mrs. Inda Irene Wheeler, daughter of Mrs. Stindy club was held on Monstrage to Stanley L. Cotton of Harvard. The cermony was performed by Rev. Emanuel C. Charlton of the Methodist church in the presence of the immediate members of the families and friends from Harvard, Ayer and Townsend. Single ring service used. The bridal couple were attended by Mrs. Alice Stickney and Mrs. Leon Z. Watkins of Townsend.

The bridal couple were attended by Mrs. Alice Welch, accompanist, which was heartily encored. The bridal couple were attended by Mrs. Alice Welch, accompanist, which was heartily encored. The bridal couple were attended by Mrs. Alice Welch, accompanist, which was heartily encored. The bridal couple were attended by Mrs. Leon Z. Watkins of Townsend. The bridal couple were attended by Mrs. Couple were attended by Mrs. Leon Z. Watkins of Townsend girl, educated mour public schools and from a child has been a sweet singer. The grown is clerk in one of the offices at the Boston and singer. The groom is clerk in one of the offices at the Boston and Maine station at Ayer and popular with his associates.

After a wedding luncheon the young couple left on the 5.26 train on their return will reside in Harvard. Friends of the happy couple extend best wishes and congratulations. those taking part in the program was given a rising vote of thanks and the program closed with "America." The next meeting will be held on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. E. J. Lees, the topic being Henry Van Dyke.

## HOLLIS, N. H.

Arthur Wright, of Lynn, Mass., spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Nellie Nichols.

There was an unusually small attendance at the Grange meeting on Tuesday evening. The topic was, "Some of the things that ought to "Some of the things that ought to happen in our town in 1916." The discussion was opened by Rev. Robert French, followed by C. Anderson Colburn. The master, Harold E. Hardy, said one thing that ought to happen is a large attendance at the Grange. There were many things mentioned, among them electric lights, water works, a prohibiting law which is enforced against dumping broken crockery, tin cans and other rubbish by the side of the roads, that the sidewalks be made safe to walk upon in the winter. The remainder of the program was as follows: Reading, "The little old town," Miss Lucinda F. Read; recitation, Ella Farley; vocal solo, Miss Hazel Marshall.

Mrs. Elbridge Farley left Hollis on

On last week Wednesday evening at equal expense.

The officers of Aurora lodge Fellows were installed on last Wednesday by Mr. Garland, der Nashua, as follows: Fred Hold K.; George Robbins, v. g.; C. A burn, w.; Arnold Coolen, che:

burn, w.; Arnold Coolen, chap. And Colburn, con.; Marcellus J. Pow. w. sec.; George B. Cleasby, trees, tiam E. Lund, r.s.n.g.; Sam. et B. com, Ls.n.g.; Wesley Ladd r.s.y. H. Erickson, Ls.v.g.; Allan Herrick, s. s.; Norman Bennett, L.s., Georg Wilson, I. g.; T.: H. Gueth n.s. et g. The Woman's club held its regular

per was read by Miss Rath Rogers on "Hollis homes," and Miss Bertha Hayden had another paper on the same subject, which was read by Mrs. Fred Wheeler, Mrs Charles E. Hardy and Mrs. Harold E. Hardy were

On Tuesday evening, January 25, the ladies will give their monthly church supper in the vestry. There are a good many cases the grippe in town at present.

### BROOKLINE, N. H.

William Ladd Dodge lies very seri-ously ill at his home on Mason street. Willis Burns and family, of Mil-ord, accompanied by Miss Bessie Wheeler, were recent visitors at the nome of Silas Wheeler.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Tessier spent last Sunday at the home of Mrs. Tes-sier's brother, Frank Melendy, of Mil-ford.

George Nye has recovered from a severe attack of the grippe and asthma,

oming. January 31.

While driving a load of logs from the Reed woodlot on Dixon hill last Monday afternoon Henry B. Hathaway met with quite a serious accident by slipping from the load and falling where the birds have been feeding in such a manner as to break two ribs. The injured man was assisted to his. The injured man was assisted to his. The injured man was assisted to his home by Mr. Lashua, who was with him and he is now under the care of a standard to the care of a standard

what friends have a hard time scratching a living when the ground is so coated with ice.

Arthur Brown, one of our rural carriers, has been a victim of the grapper George Fairbanks, of Leoninster. was a visitor in town last week Wed nesday

ed her sister, Cora Winn, of Hudson, Mr and Mrs? Patrick O'Connell were called to Cambridge, Mass., last week on account of the death of Mrs. O'Connell's brother, Maurice Lynch, a law

O. D. Fessenden was compelled to close his mill on last week Wednes-day as practically all his men, about eighteen in number, were sick from colds and the grippe.

Mrs. Minnie Holcombe, Miss Marion Holcombe and Miss Grace Whitcomb went to Milford last week Thursday and attended the concert given by the Lotus male quartet. Alten Jensen left for New York on

last week Thursday, where he is te enter the United States postal service Mrs. Walter Fessenden, who was called to Worcester the week before ast on account of the illness of he father and sister, had not been there but a few days when she was tele-graphed for to come home, as her husband, Walter Fessenden, was sick and confined to his bed. All of the patients are at the present time showing signs of improvement. ing signs of improvement.

Mrs. Mary Smith tripped over a rag which caused her to fall, badly bruising the right side of her face

ters, the Misses Mary and Carrie Shat-tuck, who have been visiting their niece in Wendell, Mass., for about seven weeks, have returned home,

## Grange Installation.

A most pleasant and successful public installation took place last week Wednesday evening at the Grange meeting when its officers were installed for the present year. Visiting members were present from Hollis, Mason and Hudson. Following is the list of officers installed. Wallace Jenness, m.; Harry Cory, o.; Minnie Maxwell, lec.; Addlord Onilette, stew., Forrace Hall, asst, stew.; Edna Hall, chap.; Hattle Pierce, sec.; Clarence Russell, treas.; Robert Taylor, g. k.; Grace Whitcomb, Ceres; Marion Holcombe, Pomona: Minnie Holcombe, Flora; Blanche Hall, l. a. s.; Alice Whitcomb, planist. Following the installation Mrs. Charles Glison and her assistants served all present with sand-A most pleasant and successful pub issistants served all present with sand wiches, cake, fruit and coffewiches, cake, fruit and coffee. There were short addresses by visiting members and townspeople, after which the following program was presented by members: Piano duet, Grace and Alice Whitcomb: recitation, Hattie Pierce; cornet solo, Starr Barnaby: reading. Clara Russell; farce, entitled "The red lamp." After the program there was marching and a social time in which all joined.

Between 1910 and July 1, 1914, 40,-000 Japanese arrived in the United States and 35,125 departed; in the same interval, 23,071 Chinese arrived

and 26,496 departed. Wood block paving is growing in popularity in the United Kingdom for the reason that it shows longer life the reason that it shows longer life under heavy automobile traffic than any other smooth pavement produced

### LUNENBURG

News Items.

Ice cutting has begun in town and some icchouses have already been filled with a fine quality of ice twelve inches in thickness. If the cold weather continues a few days longer a much large quantity will be harvested in anticipation of the needs of next summer. William F. Hills, who was lately drawn as juror, entered upon his du-tics Monday morning at Worcester for the grand jury.

Mrs. Grace P. Brock, of Leomin-ster, installed the officers-elect in Hat-tie D. Stone tent, D. of V., at their rooms in the lower town hall on Tuesday evening.

A game of basketball is scheduled at the town hall this Saturday evening. The game arranged for Tuesday evening was postponed on account of the installation of the D. of V. officers held in the lower hall.

Oblivaries.

Joseph Augustine Peabody, the old-Joseph Augustine Peabody, the oldest man in the town of Lunenburg, died at his boarding place on Highland avenue. January 11, aged 89 years and 28 days. His health had been poor for several months, but for the last two or three weeks he had failed quite rapidly until the end came on Tuesday night at eight o'clock.

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Mr. Peabody learned the trade of shoemaker many years ago, when all such work was done by hand, and used to make the old-fashioned "hand turned" shoes for the Leighton Shoe Com pany in Pepperell, and also for the Howes Company in Leominster, until modern machinery supplented the old-time hard work

modern machinery supplented the old-time hand work.

Mr. Peabody enjoyed walking and has been heard to say that he should walk just as long as he was able, and thought he should not live very long after he stopped walking. Until a lit-tle over ayear ago, he used to walk to the postoffice every day, a distance of one and a half miles and return, step-ping off more liveller than many of the young men. He was a member of the ping off more livelier than many of the young men. He was a member of the Methodist church and as long as he was able to walk never missed a Sunday, no matter what the weather might be. He held the position of Sunday school librarian for many years.

A brother, William S. Peabody, and two sisters, Mrs. George E. Jones and Miss Fannie E. Peabody, of this town, enrylve him: also, seven nephews and

Miss Fannie E. Peabody, of this town, survive him; also, seven nephews and nieces, one of whom, Mrs. Elia F. Lithgow, has her home in Nova Scotta, and a nephew, Joseph F. Pabody, in Groton. A niece, Miss Alice Peabody. s a teacher in the Center school. Lunenburg.. The funeral was held in the Moth

The funeral was held in the Moth-odlst church on Thursday afternoon, Rew. Alfred Noon conducting the serv-ice. Four of his nephews, William R., Joseph L., Sidney C. and Edwin Pea-body, of this town, were the bearers, and burial was in the North cemetery.

it is not often that the town of Lu-neffourg is called upon to lay away three of her citizens in the tomb in the short space of one week, yet such was the caes here last week. The funeral

the case here last week. The funeral of Charles B. Longley was held on Monday afternoon; on Thursday afternoon that of Joseph Augustine Peabody, and one Friday that of Orrin Daaforth a most worthy man, eighty-five years of age.

A little more than four years ago hemet with a severe accident seriously cutting one of his feet. The conditions were such that it was at last found incressary to amputate the diseased member at or very near the hip joint. This was done at the hospital, where he remained until healed, when he was he remained until healed, when he was ne remained until healed, when he was returned to his home. As he was over eighty years of age, and one limb entirely gone, he was practically helpless, and at last both Mr. Danforth and his wife decided that it was best for them to go to the town farm and there they have remained until his death occurred on Wednesday, wight, language. curred on Wednesday night, January

The funeral was held on last week Friday afternoon, Rev. Alfred Noon conducting the services, friends and relatives attending. Misses Irene Price

and Lorane Heywood furnished the music and the body was placed in the tomb at the North cemetery.

Mr. Danforth was born in Lunenburg on January 5, 1831. He was a member of the Congregational church and attended its services just as long as he was able. He is survived by his wife, a married son who lives in Ashburnham, and an unmarried daughter in Allentown, Pa

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# A Sensitive Lover

By SARAH BAXTER

Barnard was walking the floor. When a man walks the floor with a knit brow it is evident there is some thing on his mind. And there was something on Barnard's mind-a good deal, in fact. He was a worshiper of Miss Brayton, and Miss Brayton was very ill. Barnard had heard that the doctors were desirous of making the experiment of a transfusion of blood, but had not thus far found any hearty person who was willing to give up his or her blood for the purpose.

Barnard had offered himself to Miss Brayton, and she had refused him He was now ready to give her his blood or his life, if necessary, but would not this be placing her under an obligation which might cause her to reconsider her refusal? It seemed to him like taking an unfair advantage of her; that it would be an obtrusion, an ungracious act, rendering him liable to a charge of trying to win her by unfair means. Besides, Barnard had always said that unless the girl he wanted wanted him, and that very badly, he didn't want her:

How would it do for him to give her his blood without her knowing from whom the gift came? Barnard stopped short in his walk and tugged at his mustache. Then he took up his hat, crammed it down on his head and hurried away to Miss Brayton's physician.

After an interview it was settled that the invalid should receive Barnard's blood without knowing it. This could be done by performing the operation in a room dimly lighted, with Barnard's face covered. No one but the doctor and the couple operated on need be present, and the identity of the blood given need not be divulged.

The operation was performed, and Miss Brayton regained her health and Barnard had the satisfaction of having saved her life, but saw no more evidence of a predisposition for him than before. Indeed, it was not long after the operation that he heard she was engaged to a man whom he had feared as a rival. This threw Barnard into despondency.

One evening at a young persons' gathering, at which Barnard, Miss Brayton and her fiance, Mortlake, were present, Barnard heard a young lady near him say that there was a very pretty romance between Miss Brayton and Mr. Mortlake. Barnard pricked up his ears, but failed to learn what the romance was. But a week later lie met a friend who asked him why he had not got in ahead of Mortlake when Miss Brayton was fil and offer her his blood. Thus it came out that Mortlake had saved his flancee's life.

This was a romance with a venge ance. Mortlake had undoubtedly won the girl by claiming to have saved her life at the risk of his own.

That evening Barnard was walking the floor in a more disgruntled state of mind than before. His rival had beaten him by a lie, and he was not in a position to set the matter right. True, he had only to refer the matter to the surgeon who performed the operation, but this would be interfering between a girl and her lover-a dog in the manger business that was far beneath a man of Barnard's sensitive honor. On the other hand, what right

had he to permit the girl he loved to marry a man who had lied to get her? Barnard, being in a ed in a quandary. These sensitive fellows who keep themselves in the background are usually overlooked by girls who, did they know the facts, would most assuredly prefer them. Barnard was too refined in feeling to save ci-

ther himself or the girl he loved. But one morning Miss Brayton, being indisposed, sent for her physician. During his visit she told him that there was a certain secret which she knew he was pledged to keep, but she knew it all the same. Then she announced to him her engagement.

"I congratulate him," said the doctor. "He took considerable risk for you and deserves you."

"How he must have loved me!" "I fancied he was doing it for love." "It would have been ungracious for me to refuse him after the sacrifice he made for me."

"You have got a fine fellow. I took fancy to Barnard the moment I laid eyes on him." "Barnard!"

"Yes, Barnard. You're engaged to Barnard, aren't you?" Miss Brayton's eyes grew as big as "Was it Mr. Barnard who saved me?

"Why--yes-I thought you knew." The cat was out of the bag. Soon after this revelation Mortiake received a note from his flancee stating that she must break her engagement with him, since she had discovered

that she could not love him Barnard heard that the girl he loved was free, but since she had pledged the doctor to keep mum he had no idea of the cause of the breaking of her engagement. One day he received a note asking him to call. He did so, and Miss Brayton frankly told him that in refusing him she had mistaken her feelings. Barnard was not slow in giving her an opportunity to correct the mistake. They were married, and it was not till the day after the wedding

that his wife told him the secret. "Why didn't you tell me that before?" he asked in an injured tone. "Because I didn't propose that you should indulge in any more nonsense.

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The entertainment given at the Methodist vestry on last Saturday evening was very fully attended. The committee at the head of the Reds. Saturday evening. January 22. They are making a tour of the state under committee at the head of the Reds. Gertride Cherny and Hoh Marsyall, and the remain arranged by the grand the remain arranged by the grand the remain arranged by the grand the whole comming of about several transportations and these winning the greatest mumber of games were awarded a prize. The commanday was divided into four groups and those winning the greatest mumber of games were awarded a prize. The committee on refreshments were harvesting less twich collection of hot concar with sendition of hot means were awarded to hot concar with sendition of hot conca

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Frank McPartlan was to Bostor ek Friday on business. He was to est of Thomas Smyth, of Dorch gnest of Thomas Smyth, of polytical gnest of Thomas Smyth, of polytical fer, over Friday night. He also visite ed his sister, Miss Elizabeth McParrilan, and his friend, Miss Margater Smyth, of West Newton, returning home by Saturday after a very please.

Mrs. Runsford Deware web to Milby, Quobec, on Friday of last week for a tensdays visit with her reas

Miss Mi'dred Lunt was obliged to

give up teaching in Shirley on Thes-day for a few days on account of an attack of the grippe.

attack of the grippe.

The illustrated lecture given Sunday evening by Rev. J. B. Lewis at the Congregational vestry on "Briddhism, the religion of the pessimistic proved enlightening. The hard part perhaps, to understand, is why the religion, if one of gloom and unpleasions should have gained such a ligion, if one of gloom and unpleas-antness, should have gained such a following. The many shides developed the ideas on the customs of the Far to have been repeated at Oak hall, but owing to the intense cold of Mon-day, evening, and the fact that it was ascertained that many in that locality would not be able to attend, the at-tempt was not made by Mr. Lewis as bets to fore.

Mrs. Addison Woodward has been islting friends in Fitchburg this

Mrs. William Taylor has been in rather poor health for the past two weeks. Mrs. Lizzie Gilson is caring for her and attending to her house-ball official for the passes. hold affairs for the present.

Mrs. P. F. Sullivan is improving slowly from an operation performed two weeks are at the Memorial hespital, Nashua, N. H.

pital, Nashua, N. H.
Philip Blood, the twelve-year-old
son of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund Blood, is
making good recovery from an operation for adenoids and a nasal growth
performed in Nashua. He was only

Miss Ruth Tucker, assistant at the two weeks.

Harold McMurray has entered the of the Nashua River Company at their Groton mills.

The burned boards and debris from the building of A. A. Tarbell, which was not entirely destroyed in the recent fire, has been cleared away by the owner, who intends to rebuild when the weather is more suitable. The high front of the block left standing has been secured by ropes and supports.

Rev. D. R. Child and H. F. Hobart were in Northern Vermont the early part of the week on business. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy have

closed their summer home. Pinchurst, and gone to New York for the next two months.

Mrs. R. E. Tarbell is stopping at the home of Mrs. Louis Shattuck for

Saturday. January 22, 1916.

PEPPERELL

News Items.

Mrs. N. W. Appleton was called to Roxbury on Friday of last week by news of the illness of a relative, remaining over a part of this week.

Mrs. Agnes Cuthbertson came from Fitchburg last Saturday to see her father. William Marshall, who is in a very weak condition since his fall and the breaking of his wrist. Although the suffers no pain he is not improving from the shock of the accident satisfactorily.

Calvin Lawrence has the care of his sister-in-law, Mrs. Julia Lawrence, who is assisted by Mr. Clapp. He has seemed slightly improved.

Mrs. R. E. Tarbell is stopping at the home of Mrs. Louis Shattuck for a short time.

A party of the friends and neighbors of Mr. and Mrs. Carl Lawrence, Oak hill, gathered by invitation at their pleasant home on Monday evening. January 17. The occasion was the birthday anniversary of Mrs. Lawrence and a sum of money was presented by Mr. Gaskill made allusion to the fact that as Mrs. Lawrence seemed to already possess so many pretty ornaments and useful articles, her riends thought it wisest to allow her the choice in expending the sum in the envelope, which was given with many good wishes. Mrs. Lawrence made a pleasing response, acknowledging the first kindness and thought. The remainder of the evening was passed with music, whist, and the serving of refreshments by the hostess.

Miss Alice Deware entertained a

persell: Hangerty rg., Sartelle in Sail-sweep, form in his collective filling has the filling hanger and the liver has from the filling hanger than the filling hanger hanger her the sail from the filling hanger hanger hanger hanger. Brown of Hollist timer, E. Harling hanger the four 10-minute quitter has does not depend upon environment to the range the hanger hanger has somether of these served het vocc i and speakerbets to are essential to the truly happy perserved het vocc is and speakerbets for the discourse was particularly somethers. His discourse was particularly bright and held the attention of his abdience.

Saveral members of Prescott Grange several members of Prescot Grands
(thended the installation of the oftheers of Middlesex-Wordster Pomona
Grafae, held at Groton on Thursday
of this week. The installing officer
was Charles M. Gardner of Westfield. high priest of Demeter, with two as-

S. M. Nokes is making repairs or its icehouses which were burned lass his icentifies which will be summer, previous to harvesting his ice which is now in good condition, from twelve to fourteen inches thick. George Maynard of the South road

is out again, after being confined to his home by an attack of asthma. Mrs James Dunn went to Chelms-ord Wednesday to visit Mr. Dunn's father.

Mrs. George Shaw has been confin of to her home with an attack of

Mrs. Dora Bancroft has returned to her home at Winthrop after visit-ing her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Hannon Williams, at North Pepperell. Ruth Smith, the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Willard Smith, has been under the care of a physician the past week for an illness resembling jaun

Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Chinn of Brighton, former residents here, have recently become grandparents through Mrs. John Walch (née Maud Chinn of Boston. the birth of a daughter

of Boston.

A very pleasant social afternoon meeting of the L. A. S. was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Jerry Annis. There were twenty-one present, two new members joining at this meeting. Committees for the Federation fair were appointed to the research. ed and accepted. It was also voted to hold a parish supper on Friday evening. February 4, at the Methodist vestry. The hostess served refreshments of hot cocoa, sandwiches, with performed in Nashua. He was only performed in Nashua. He was only performed in Nashua. He was only and lemon pattles, assisted by Miss day until Monday, and is now doing Edith Annis, Mrs. Shepardson and nicely at his home.

Fred J. Dunlap was in Boston on Ered J. Dunlap was in Boston on meet with Mrs. Judson Willoughby in cheese and olives, cake, cream pi

Mark Shattuck had an attack of in-flammatory rheumatism the first of this week at his home on Nashua street, followed by an acute intestinal trouble. He is improving at the pres-

George Parker, an age; resident of this town, died on Sincay, January 16, at his home on the Toynsend road, Mr. Parker was a native of Pepperell, having been born in the house in which he lived and diec. December which he lived and dec. December 100, 1800, making his age dishty-two years. He was married in early life to Miss Elizabeth Spandang, of Towns, end, who died nearly thirty years ago, leaving him with a twe veyear-old son, George P. Parker, who resides in this village on Main street. Mr. Parkhas since married twice, bit for several years has been living alone in his last the street of the landers of the lande has since married twice, but for several years has been living alone in his old home place. Up to a few years ago he conducted a business there as a monument and marrie worker, and also carried on his tarm. He was very active and apparently in fairly good

o - had made a remark to friends He had made a remark to friends lately, however, that seems to indicate that he becam to realize his years. On the occasion of his last brithday he was speaking of his age with his neighbor. Nathaniel Lakin, and said when he went he wished he could go to sleep and never awiken; and those who found him lying peacefully in his load Monday morning with ne signs. bed Monday morning with no signs of a struggle or any suffering, realized

that his wish was fulfilled. that his wish was fulfilled.

On Thursday he was at Mr. Lakin's for a few moments, apparently as well as usual. They did not see him about his place again during the week or a second distribution of the second him about him about him about him about him as well as a second him as driving to Townsend Harbor as was his ustom every Saturday. They were not alarmed, however, until Monday not alarmed, however, that Monday morning it was noticed no smoke was coming from his chimney. Mrs. Shat-uck, residing with her brother, Mr. Lakin, was the first to go to the house, nd getting no response she alarmed and getting no response she marmac the neighbors, Mr. and Mrs. George Newhall, who forced an entrance and found Mr. Parker lifeless in his bed. His son and a physician were sum-moned by telephone. In the opinion of the physician death was undoubted-by due to heart failure and must have y due to heart failure and must have occurred several hours before he was liscovered. Dr. Bulkeley, of Ayer, medical examiner, was summoned as a matter of form and the body was re-moved to the home of his son and

wife on Monday evening.

The deceased is survived by one son, pefore mentioned, and two nieces, one of whom is Mrs. Anna (Jewett) Page, of Northampton

mpton. were held on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of his son, George P. Parker, Rev. George M. Newhall, a neighbor of the deceased, officiating.

Many floral tributes were sent by relatives and friends, among them a

than managery Theumatism the first of this week at his home on Nashus street, followed by an acute intestinal street, followed by an acute into their bottom in the street believe in the followed by an acute into their bottom in the street believe in the followed by an acute into their bottom in the street believe in the followed by an acute in the followed by an acute in the followed by an acute in the followed by the standards given at the color of the acute in the followed by the standards given at the color of the acu

large increase over last year. Many of these are taken'by people who do not find it convenient to go to the

church. The annual church supper and roll call will be held on Thursday evening. January 27, and the church officials and their wives are the committee of arrangements. The reports of the pastor and clerk are reserved for that

## Extension School Classes.

slon school, under Mrs. I. R. Harris and Mrs. George H. Shattuck, met on Wednesday afternoon about four o'clock at Sub-master Harris' room in the high school building, Mrs. Harris has the class from the section including High and Pleasant streets, and Main street to the high school Mrs. Shattuck's class includes those on upper Main street. Eim street and the part of Townsend street to the four corners. There was an attendance of about twenty-five, some of the nursing and finances will be presented by the officers of the armid the four corners. There was an attendance of about twenty-five, some of the nursing and finances are invited to attend this meeting and learn about the work. The give an exhibition of their work, and reports of the nursing and finances will be presented to attend this meeting and learn about the officers of the armid to attend this meeting and learn about the officers of the armid to attend the meeting and learn about the officers of the nursing and finances support. The annual meeting will be held on Monday evening. ance of about twenty-five, some of ance of about twenty-nye, some of the teachers from Main street and High school building and girls from the high school being present and showing much interest. Mrs. Harris addressed the meeting, giving the purpose of forming these groups and out-lining the work of instruction from the college. A paper on meat and its substitutes was also read by Mrs. Harris, reproducing many of the essential points brought out at the November meeting of the Extension school in town.
The class under Mrs. Harris is to

meet in the high school building at 3.45 on Wednesday afternoons.

The class under Mrs. Shattuck will meet at her home on Tuesday after-noon of next week and arrange their future plans and meetings.

Oak Hill Club.

A meeting of the Oak Hill Woman's club was held at the home of Mrs. Olis Merrill on Wednesday afternoon with eleven members present. After the business session and reading of current events the subject discussed was the plan to be adopted for their

finally decided to enroll one of their number, the secretary, Mrs. Paul Maxwell, as a correspondent student of Amherst college. The lesson which will be forwarded to her will be taken

Miss Mari of Chapt, R. E. is releving this week at Dr. Mellas' price to hospital, Newton.

The sixth year of the Peopereil 1 strict Nurse association ends with this month. In this time over 7,000 calls have been made upon sick people and at the different schools. The officers have met from twelve to lifteen times a have met from twelve to fifteen times a year, and valuable assistance has been remedered by a few other people. The townspeople have been asked to support this work by paying individually one dollar per year as a membersive fee. In the few

one dollar per year as a membership fee. In the face of much difficulty the Extension School Classes.

Two groups of the Service Extension school, under Mrs. L. R. Harris and Mrs. George H. Shattuck, met on Wednesday afternoon about four January 31, at eight o'clock. All per-

mon, who was wanted here for break ing and entering committed in this town about Christmas time. Dem mon was arrested as a drunk by a officer in Fitchburg Wednesday after the complaint was filed police court in Fitchburg and was escorted to Ayer to answer to the more serious complaint. He was bound over for the grand jury Friday morning. The Pepperell Woman's club met

ne reppereil Woman's club, met on Tuesday afternoon in Saunders' hall. Rev. Ra'ph Conners gave a lec-ture on "How to be happy," which was listened to by a large number. The lecture was filled with many good suggestions which, if followed, would give much happiness to the world. give much happiness to the world.

## Reminiscences of Olden Days.

In the issue of this paper, January 1, 1916, mention was made of the death of John Loring Shattuck and the fact that he was greeted by Abra-ham Lincoln in Illinois. This was in 1858 when Mr. Lincoln was stumping the state for the office of senator. His opponent was Stephen A. Douglas, who sought a reflection and at times work as a Neighborhood class. It was they appeared in joint debate.



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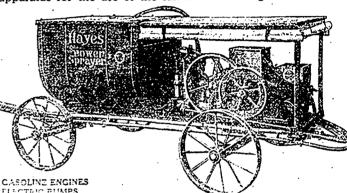
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## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our heartfe hanks to neighbors and friends who ockindly extended their sympathy and issisted us in our recent hereavement; ilso, to the W. R. C., for the beautiful

CALVIN P. LAWRENCE. MRS. JULIA A. LAWRENCE and Family. East Pepperell, Mass., Jan. 20, 1916.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU ETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and

tate of PLINY MEHRICK HARKOOD late of Littleton in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by MINNIE L. HARWOOD who prays that letters of administration with the will annexed may be issued to her, without giving a surety on her bond, or to some other suitable person, no executor having been named in said will.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the ninth day of February A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitloner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each weak, for three successive weeks, in the Littleton Guidon, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by malling, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, sevendays at least, before said Court.

in said County the last before said Court, and by malling, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days, at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

3t20 W. E. ROGERS, Register,

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF

## REAL ESTATE

Try a cortain increase deed givwood, to Elmer H. Duncklee, dated Mey 18, 1912 and recorded with Mid-alesex So. Dist. Deeds, book 3784, page dies, for breach of the conditions contarged in said mortgage and for the e spose of forestosing the same, will

sold at public auction upon produces on Monday, the seventh day of February, A. D. 1916, at cleven o'cleek in the forenoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by mortgage and therein described as fol-

said Ayer on the casterly side of the, road leading from Groton to Harvard and near Pine Meadows, so-called, bounded as follows: Beginning at a stake and stones at the northwesterly corner of the premises at said road at a corner of land

formerly of Ephraim Sawtelle; thence easterly on said Sawtelle land thirtytine (39) rods to land of Edward A Richardson: thence southerly on said Richardson's land about eleven (11) rods to land formerly of Silas Nutting: thence westerly on said Nutting land thirty-four (34) rods to a stake and stones at said road; thence northerly on said road about nine rods to the place of beginning.

Being the same premises conveyed lin et als by deed dated Fébruary 22. 1911 and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, book 3586, page 57. Said premises are conveyed subject to a right of way over an old cart path along the northerly side thereof to land of Edward A. Richardson as reserved in the deed of said Richardson to said said Daudelin et. als dated November 25, 1910 and reorded with said deeds in book 3586,

page 55. The premises will be sold subject tony unpaid taxes

WILLIAM E. WHEELER, ssignee and holder of said mortgage. Ayer, Jan. 13, 1916.

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