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LITTLETON

News Remains of the executive loand at the Girls' club in Ayer Thursday after-

Margaret Brown and Charlotte Woodbury are taking a turn at Light measles.

Vera, Ethel and Jessie Smith have been housed with tonsilitis.

Clifford Yapp caunght his hand in a heavy barn door Wednesday and churshed a single very severely. Dr. Christical singleal skill was necessary to dress the injured member.

of the F. W. Parkers.

Hon. C. A. Kimball visited the familiar scenes at the state house Wednesday, met his friends in the legislaturelature and attended a committee hearing. He was a guest at luncheon given in Young's hotel by the Middlesex club in honor of Senator Weeks of Massachusetts and Senator Sterling of South Dakota.

Dr. Towler and Dr. Powers of Camp Devens, with their families, will move into Mrs. Minnie Johnson's house on King street next Thursday.

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Fred Cook surprised his people last week Thursday by coming home for four days dufing a vacation necessitated by the coal shortage at Tufts college.

Elizabeth Brown was at home for the holiday and Back-log dance.

Warren Fletcher has been sick with a heavy cold.

Mrs. Orlando Bowman continues quite ill: Mrs. John A. Kimball's condition has improved somewhat since last week. She sits up a few hours each day.

Mrs. C. F. Watts is decidedly better in many ways and enjoys the contents of her sunshine box and calls from friends each day.

Earl Spears has moved back into

Earl Spear has moved back into his cottage on Mill road. He has a position with the Armour Company, with headquarters in Waltham.

Carlton Needham has been retained at Camp Devens, instead of going to Maryland as he was originally ordered.

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Mr. Jones, the occupied the Harry Smith house in the fall, has been promoted to the trank of lieutenant colonel and transferred to a camp in Maryland, where he is to build a base hospital.

The Camp Fire Girls met with their guardlan, Mrs. H. F. Proctor, Thursday afternoon, and did Red Cross work.

Mrs. George Newcombe's father and mother, from Fitchburg, were guests of the Newcombe family over the holiday and attended the dance.

Warren Hariwell was at home for February 22nd.

Miss Kittredge, of Leominster, was

Miss Kittredge, of Leominster, was holiday guest of her sister, Mrs. P. Smith, of Harwood avenue.

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Mrs. Michael McNamara is reported much improved in health.

Ten degrees below zero was commonly reported last week Friday morning. Never mind, this week the blackbirds are singing.

A. F. Conart and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell attended the all-day meeting of the Farm Bureau and the public safety committee at the state house in Boston last week. The key-note of the day was get interested yourself and interest early body. else-in. planning early and generously for a garden this season; secure your seeds early and put thought, heart and hand into the big garden drive; everybody, all work together.

Mrs. Hartwell has received more Mrs. Hartwell has received more

Mrs. Lyda Gregory and Mrs. George Bonnell have recently entertained their niece (Mabel Reed), her hus-band and young child.

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B: Frank Jacobs has bought the B.

S: Hager place on Goldsmith street for occupancy and will put in modern improvement before moving in.

He and Mrs. Jacobs will go immediately to her father's, where they will live until their home is ready.

At the Baptist service Sunday morning much interest was manifested and a number of signatures of voters secured in support of the movement to ratify the prohibitory amendment to the constitution.

H. B. Sauler and W. L. Goddard are red and blue forces chosen last Sun-day evening at the C. E. meeting in the campaign for attendance during the month of March at the Sunday

Mr. and Mrs. James Chappelle have made arrangements to run the boarding-house at the Common, succeeding Mrs. Showe.

The Woman's club enjoyed the hospitality of Mrs. J. M. Hartwell's home on Monday afternoon. Miss Marion W. Flags, vice president, opened the meeting, and after the business of the afternoon was acted upon. Miss Julia S. Conant, chairman of the program committee, introduced speakers and musicians. A paper, "A review of the years," by Albert F. Conant, save a most interesting and instructive account of Mr. Conant's homes in Boxborough, South Acton and Littleton, the family, the schools from which he acquired his ed catlon, the teachers of his early years and various developments in modern times that have enlisted his interest, etc. Mr. Conant's paper received the most enthusiastic welcome from all club members present, and the wish has been emphatically expressed that it may be published in our local newspaper.



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activities in Ayer, Mrs. Ali Prouty, as vocal soloist, and Miss ian Prouty, as 'cellist, deligi' supplemented the program.

the month of March at the Sunday evening service.

A large attendance had a very interesting program marked the February meeting of the Baptist Woman's Missionary society at the parsonage of wednesday afternoon; Miss Rachel U. Cornwell, leader. The subject was the mission in Congo land. Besides a general survey of the subject, features of interest were current topics, some of which had reference to persons well known in Littleton and a solo by Mrs. Emily S. Phelps.

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Announcements have been received of the marriage of Mr. Peterson and Miss Jennie Tibets, who now reside in Brockton.

The terrible windstorm of Tuesday sweet much in its path. Trees feeling and branches were hurled over large distances. Peter McNiff's barn on Harwood avenie was unroofed, and part of the roof on Ed. Wesley's barn on Harwood avenie was unroofed, and part of the roof on Ed. Wesley's large was disloted. The day went on record as a most escapreeable one in this freakish weather. What next?

On Saturdas evening, March 5, there will be a public meeting of all citizens in the fown hall. Hon, Chass. A. Kimball will preside. John II. Hardy will speak on "Farm production and farm thort", Hon, Prank A Patch will discuss "Coal and wood, or the fuel shouly". "Special addition of the fuel shouly." "Special addition of the fuel shou

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WESTFORD

Mr. and Mrs. John Feeney had a bad scare from a threatened fire on last week Wednesday evening. An overheated chimney was discovered just in time, for there was a high wind blowing at the time, and another half hour would have made bad work. Neighbors and members of the fire commany were sent for and helped company were sent for and helped avert the fire.

The J. V. Fletcher library has secured a supply of fuel and is now open the usual three week day afternoons and evenings, closing at eight o'clock. We also note a supply of coal received at Westford academy, which insures regular sessions.

Mrs. Maria Stone is among the sick ones and under the doctor's care. Miss Edith A. Wright spent over the oliday with her sister and family; tev. and Mrs. William E. Anderson, Mrs. Howard A. Lincoln and Miss

Helena M. Bartlett spent a part of this week in Boston and vicinity. "Grandma Walker," at Mrs. George A. Walker's, is severely sick. She passed in an unconscious condition her eighty-seventh birthday this week.

The regular meeting of the Tadmuck club will take place on Monday afternoon at the Congregational vestry. The meeting will be in charge of the art committee, and Miss Mary G. Balch will speak on "Humor in art." As is well known, Miss Balch merits a good attendance. Please note the charge

We are sorry to note the accident that happened to Fred R. Blodgett on Monday. While teaming wood, driving out of the woods with a sied load of wood, one of the sied runners struck a stump somewhat hidden by the snow and upset the load. In jumping in the opposite side, clear of the load, the sied runner passed over one foot and leg. He managed to get home and later examinations by the doctor showed a broken bone. This means a cessation of this young man's capable cessation of this young man's capable activities for some time, and his friends extend their sympathy and good wishes for a patient convalestore. The family nave also receally been saddened by the death of a readtive. Mrs. Annie Blanchard, in New York, and Mr. Blodgett returned only last week from attending her funeral.

The last of Westford's first buses of the last of Westford's first by the local Red Cross, consisting of knitted helmets, sweaters, wristers and socks.

The last of Westford's first quota of the draft, the last fifteen percent, which in this case took six of our young men, were summoned to Ayer for training at Camp Devens this week—George Wilson, Thomas G. Sullivan, Arthur Meloit, E. Clyde Prescott, Paul Symmes and Joseph Thompson. Each young man was presented with a comfort kit by the generosity of some of our citizens; also, equipped with knitted articles by the local Red Cross. They were given a send-off on Tuesday at the town hall. All the children of the Frost school sang and gave the salute to the flag, and Charles L. Hildreth took pictures of the group. Three rousing cheers were given them as they departed. Julian A. Camerot kindly furnished the transportation by automobile.

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Washington on the Pacific coast to Boston, a distance of 3000 miles. What is the matter with coal from Fennsyl-vania, less than half that distance.

The United States Board of Agriculure is ordering a census of the plans of farmers as to the acreage intended or spring planting and sowing of grain and an itemized statement of what the crops are to consist of. The state of Massachusetts has sent forth plans to execute the plans of the United States, execute the plans of the United States, and a farm to farm canvass will be made. Plymouth county has started out to be self-supporting on bread food and all kinds of grain. The least self-sacrificing patriotism is required to answer these questions, and the United States, which justly and wisely is ordering wheatless and meatless days has a right to know the plans of the producers of food. It does not expect plans to carry as close as a seriel of wheat or corn.

The Red Cross meeting at the Black.

The Red Cross meeting at the Black-smiths' corner was held with Mrs. Ben-jamin Prescott on last week Friday. A good deal of work was done. This household has furnished two sons for helping liberty and freedom to win a victory over autocracy.

Deaths.

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Cyrus Hamblett died at the home of Myron Queen, North Chelmsford, last week Wednesday in his ninety-second year. He will be remembered by many westford people, being a brother of Theodore H. Hamblett, who for many years was a resident of Brookside, and pussed on a few years ago. For several years Cyrus Hamblett was a resident of Westford, living on Oak hill, on a small farm near the Coburn deltage, as it was then called. He leaves two sisters, Misses Edna H. Hamblett and Elizabeth Hamblett, both of Low-ledi; three nephews, Dr. Clement Hamblett, ol. Lowell, George Hamblett and W. O. Tuck, both of Haverhill; three nieces, Mrs. Stephen Puffer, Misses Viola Hamblett and Mrs. Alice Munton, of Lowell. The funeral took place from the home of Myron Queen last week Friday afternoon. The services were conducted by Rev. E. Ambrose Jenkins, of the Congregational church. Misses Edna and Myrtle Daniels sang "Beautiful land" and "Nearer, still nearer." The bearers were Dr. Clement Hamblett, George Hamblett, Myron A. Queen, George W. Merrick. Burial was in the Riverside cemetery, North Chelmsford. was in the Riverside cemetery, North Chelmsford.

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Ernest Bosworth has suffered a serious nervous break-down, requiring his removal to a hospital for special treatment.

The third in the series of union services took place at the Congregational church last Sunday with a good attendance. Rev. L. H. Buckshorn preached a practical and inspiring sermon from the subject "Equivalents," and a full choir sustained the musical part of the service. There will be one more of the union services at this church on Sunday morning, at which the services will be held for four woods alternating in preaching.

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Misses Mabel Webber, Gertrude Dawson and Grace Burns, of Lowell, were recent guests of Miss Laura Mcan informal gathering held at her home last Sunday.

Leo Provost, after having spent the holidays here at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Provost, left here on Monday to resume his studies at St. Anselm's college in Manchester, N. H.

The mild weather of the first of the week came as a great relief, and if it continues the snow and ice will soon disappear.

Owing to the abandonment of the heatless Monday ruling the mills and shops will run here now on the regular schedule and the change back to the old form is certain agreeable to all concerned.

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wright to start the frozen electric car. The next meeting, Thursday everings, March 7, will be past masters and they will be assisted by some charge, and they will be assisted by some cutting wood on Oak hill. This wood is substituting for coal that has got it substituting for coal that has got it concestion," or an attack of indisposition to move

tion to move.

One thousand carloads of apples seventy-third birthday anniversary at spendir, have been shipped from the state of her home last Wednesday. Her two lier sisters

daughters, Mrs. John Edwards and Mrs. William Baker, planned an agreeable surprise for her in the form of a tea, making the day a very pleasant one. It ring the day many friends and neighbors called to offer their congratulations. ongratulations,

The lauties' Circle met last Wednesdas at the mission house instead of at the home of Mrs. Nelson Prescott. The many new houses that are be-ing erected here by the Abbot Worsted Company will be ready for occupancy shortly. They are litted with modern shortly. improvements, including a sleeping porch.

George D. Wilson and Joseph Thompson left here for Camp Dev-ens on Tuesday, -Mrs. Wilson gave a family dinner before her son departed for the training quarters. Her daugh-ters, Mrs. George Weaver and Mrs. Nathaniel Whitney, with their chil-dren, were home for the occasion.

The employees of the Abbot Worsted Company are doing their "bit" in the purchasing of thrift stamps, an average of 200 stamps a week being taken.

About 1563 stamps have been sold in also does a large amount of business in the sale of thrift stamps.

Food Conservation.

Miss Carolyn Putnam Weber gave her sixth lecture and demonstration on food conservation last week Thursday evening in Abbot hall. A large num ber of the women were present and were very much interested in the dishes prepared by Miss Weber. Among the substitutes for meat were Among the substitutes for meat were soy bean cutlets, macaroni rarebit, savory rice, baked egg au gratin and a beef loaf from the cheaper cuts of meat. Generous samples were passed around to the audience and it is safe to say that they will find a place in the home instead of the more expensive cuts of meat.

It is through the generosity of Julian A. Cameron of the Abbot Worsted mill that Miss Weber is conducting these lectures. All expenses which are

these lectures. All expenses which are being borne by him include the cost of material, which is no small item, and the housekeepers here appreciate it highly. Help came at a time when it was needed the most for those who are not familiar with the use of dark

LITTLETON

Deacon John W. Thacher cast his vote Although well advanced in the eightles he has never missed casting his vote since he became of age, a fact worthy of announcement we think.

The King's Daughters meet with Mrs. W. H. Davis on Tuesday afternoon, Pieces of cloth 10x15 inches, A short time ago

The Boston Post of Sunday has an article claimed to come from Red Cross headquarters, saying that can-celled stamps are of no use to them, that they are in no way responsible for the stamp saving idea.

Hayward Canney has applied for military aviation service and is about to take his final examinations.

A son, George Wilbur, was born re-cently to Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Canney, of Arlington Heights.

and fund. kettredge, who has been to house with acute in-segmentism since August. ipid recovery.

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The United Workers will hold their March meeting with Miss Elizabeth Thacher next week Wednesday. Lead-er, Miss Florence Wilcox. Subject.

Africa and civilization. Elisha Case has received a letter giving information of the safe arrival in France of his grandson James H. Thorpe, Another grands in George Thorpe, is boatswain's made on one of the convoys.

Many residents were startlefire alarm given from passing trains on Tuesday night, but little further in-formation could be gained until morning when it was discovered that th flagman's shanty at Priest's crossing in South Littleton had been destroyed by fire. Lawrence Kelley, the flar-man, was minus a shelter of Wed-nesday morning, but fortunately the wind had subsided and the sun smiled upon him. The cause of the fire is unknown.

The regular meeting of the Pride of Nashobah lodge of Odd Ladies will be held on Monday evening. All members are urged to attend. The entertainment committee has planned a

Automobile Accident,

A most deplorable automobile acci-dent occurred last Saturday afternoon a little past one o'clock on Proctor's hill, Great road, when Clarence Ellis, of Somerville, driver of a large empty imousine bound for Ayer, and George Gordon, of Ayer, driver of a Ford. ordon, of Ayer, driver of a Ford, arrying soldiers towards Boston, col-Gordon, of Ayer, driver of a Ford, carrying soldiers towards Boston, collided, causing much damage. L. Griffin, private in the 301st Infantry Supply Company at Camp Devens, sustained a fractured skull. He is reported to have been formerly a professional singer. A sister, Miss Mary Griffin, of 720 Harrison avenue, Boston, is his nearest relative. H. Silverstein, of the Quartermaster Corps at Camp Devens, received an ugly laceration on the head from the glass and a score of bruises, but was able to continue to his home in Boston. Dr. Christie rendered first aid to the injured men. Later, Griffin was removed to the base hospital in an ambulance from Camp Devens.

The Ford car had top, windshield and a wheel demolished, but the limousine escaped with a broken glass and a few scratches.

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The only explanation for the accident is that a snowbank on the hill made the passage narrow, and each driver refused to turn out sufficiently.

Back Log Sunset Party.

There was an unusually large con any of young people at the suns

pany of young people at the sunset party and everybody seemed to appreciate the good time furnished, as social evenings have been exceedingly rare since the coal shortage necessitated closing the hall to every function outside of town business.

Miss Elsie Ewing played for the children in the afternoon. At three o'clock they formed in line for the grand march with Priscilla Stone and Junior Kimball leading. Miss Ewing gave splendid satisfaction at the plano and the little tots in dainty dress and faces wreathed in smiles made as pretty a picture as one could wish to see. ty a picture as one could with to acc. For three hours they enjoyed full pos

For three hours they enjoyed full pos-session of the floor.

At 6.30 a most palatable supper was served and then followed a concert and dance with music by Hibbard's orchestra of Lowell. Many guests came from Westford, 'amp Devens and other nearby places to participate in one of the happlest of occasions. The financial receipts must have justi-tied the expense and efforts of the fact fied the expense and efforts of committee in charge of the affair.

Mrs. W. H. Davis on Tuesday afternoon. Pieces of cloth 10x15 inches, suitable for comfort pillows are much needed, also cloth for towlels, serviettes, eye dressings, etc., are needed. Look over your bundle box again, remembering each article made adds to the comfort of some soldier at the front. Knitting for war relief work is always in order at the meetins.

The King's Daughters' annual Easterness and able to pay for the same to er sale is to be held on Tuesday, April 9, in the Unitarian vestry.

The Boston Post of Sunday has an itelly an egg machine; that given a

the interested amateur that a nen is really an egg machine; that given a house of certain carefully specified make, with a flock of hens to properly fit the house, all one last to do is to feed certain amounts of grain and other egg-producing food according to make, with a flock of hens to properly fit the house, all one las to do is to feed certain amounts of grain and other egg-producing food according to a scientifically worked out schedule, one may reasonably expect a certain number of eggs per diem, of course according to the size of the flock and the cost of experiment. We can vouch for the correctness of the formula and are sorry space forbids roln; into

Symmes and Joseph Thompson. Learn young man was presented with a component of the young man was presented with a component young cheers also equipped with knifted articles by the local Red Cross. They were given a sended on Tuesday at the town hall. All the children of the Frost school sale that the property of the street of the Frost school should be at the sale to the flatter of the street of

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ch. Roland G. HoughWhiteomb wont to the
the Fruit Growers' as Worcester on Tuescolay. Mr. Whiteomb to speakers, giving his production of rage. production of rasp-that he is located at Waco, Texas, with the aviation corps.

Adams, of Waltham, is a the Red Cross meeting was held with Mrs. A. E. Lawrence on last week Wednesday afternoon.

WHERE WILD FOWL BREED

lukon River and the Lakes of Tha Hyperborean Region Favored Spot of Many Birds.

Until the acquisition of Alaska by the United States it was a wonder where certain wild fowl went when they migrated from temperate climes on the approach of summer as well as snowbirds and other small species of the feathered tribe. It was afterward found, observes a writer in the Kansas City Journal, that their habitat in summer was the waters of Alaska—the Yukon river and the lakes of that hyperborean region.

People wonder where the wild fowl come from. They see the sandhill crane, the wild goose heron and other fowl every spring and fall pursue their unwearied way, but like the wind, they do not know whence they come r whither they go

Up on Golovine bay, on the north side of Norton sound, is the breeding place of these fowls. All the birds in creation, seemingly, go to that country to breed. Geese, ducks, swans and thousands upon thousands of sandhill cranes are swarming there all the time. They lay their eggs in the bluestem grass in the lowlands.

Myriads of robins and swallows are there, as well as millions of magnificent grouse, wearing red combs and feather moccasins. This grouse turns as white as snow in winter. You can kill dozens of teal ducks

or grouse as fat as butter balls in a few moments. The wild fowl and bears live on salmon berries and huckleberries, with which the hills are literally covered.

NIGHT SHADOWS IN RUSSIA

Penetrating Light Makes Sieep Impos sible Unless the Traveler Carries a Blue Curtain.

The particular journey herein re-corded fell on a white night in Juneof those eerie white nights against which the Russian or Siberian trav eler carries a canny blue curtain Olive Gilbreath writes in the Yale Re-

Without these blue guards sleep is

out of the question and the senses, purthe penetrating light, are as ragged as the beggars staring out of the stations. Verst after verst hour after hour, the plain unwinds endlessly, monotonously, like wool from a skein. A pale incandescence hangs over the earth, fringing objects ghost Trees blur in the half-light and grow phenomenally large; izbas and windmills scrape the sky. A tremor of primitive terror runs through one's One calls to the hills for de liverance—but there is not even a rise in the ground! With midnight springs up a delusive promise of respite from the light; a shadow creeps reassuringly over the earth, but it is dusk and not darkness. There is no re-

Fat Beauties.

Throughout the empire of Morocco and in Tunis there are villages where he elder members of the adult population follow professionally the pursuit of fattening young ladies for the mat-

rimonial market of Barbary. The Moors, like the Turks and most other Orientals, give a decided preference to "moon-faced" wives over lean ones, and are more solicitous as to the number of pounds which their brides weigh than about the stock of accom-

plishments they possess. A girl is put under the process of fattening when she is about twelve years of age. Her hands are tied behind her and she is seated on a carpet during so many hours every day, while "papa" stands over her with stick, and her mother, at times, pops into her mouth a ball of stiff maize porridge, kneaded up with grease and just large enough to be swallowed without the patient choking.

If the unfortunate girl declines to be stuffed she is compelled by torture and gulps down the boluses, lest she should be beaten.

Origin of a Postal Custom.

The steamship Oregon was lost off Fire Island on March 14, 1886, states the New York Sun. She was rammed by a constwise schooner, remaining afloat for half an hour, a time which made it possible to save every person aboard. When her mail was fished up and delivered the pieces were stamp ed with a statement that they had been in the wreck, the first instance of a practice which is now employed by direction of the International Postal union. The credit for this simple de vice is believed to be due to Edward M. Morgan, at that time in a subordi nate position in the New York pos office, who foresaw that a few miwork with a rubber stamp utes' would forestall an infinitude of complaint

To Stop the Hurt.

We cannot prevent the little unkindnesses and selfishnesses of others from hurting, but by promptly applying the antiseptic of common sense, we can prevent them from rankling and poisoning. Because my neighbor has treated me in a manner of which he has reason to be ashamed, why should I double the injury-by-irritation and brooding? Let it end where it beganwith the doer.-Exchange.

New Flash-Lamp. A practicable flash-lamp without a battery has been invented by utilizing a tiny magneto-generator driven by a spring and clockwork.

Wood Growth Wood grows lengthwise but once

during the first year. After that it continues to grow in thickness each year of its life, but the length growth is each year extended only by new twigs.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the es-tate of HATTIE T. BLAKE late of Pepperell in said County, deceased. Pepperell in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and lestament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by PERLENY J. BLAKER, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the fourth day of March A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause. o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at, least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, sever days at least before said Court.

Witness Charles J McInite Esquire Wirness Charles J. McIniire. Esquire,
First Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of February in the year one
thousand nine hundred and eighteen.
3t24 F. M. ESTY, Register.

SKIMMED MILK IS VALUABLE

Milk, but Lower in Carbohydrates

Feeding Calves.

Skimmed milk is a little richer in protein than whole milk, but lower in carbohydrates. Since most of the fat has been removed in the cream the skimmed milk will need carbohydrates to make it a balanced ration for

A good plan is to replace a portion of the whole milk with skimmed milk, gradually increase the skimmed milk with some form of carbohydrates till all of the whole milk is replaced by one of the best carbohydrate supplements to be fed with skimmed milk Some feeders cook the meal, stir it in



Whole Milk Age.

the skimmed milk and feed it to the calf. After the calf is two weeks old it will eat fine ground meal and if fed small quantities will assimilate it. Lingeed meal is also used.

Care should be taken in feeding calves. They should be taught to drink from the pall as soon as possible. Nothing but clean vessels should be used and the milk should be clean and

KICKING COW EASILY CURED

Rope Passed Around Body of Offending Animal, Drawn Tight, Will Prove Effective.

The kicking cow is easily cured by fending animal take a rope with a loop detected faults in timepieces which othin one end of it or a trunk strap and pass it around the body of the cow. Draw it tight. The cow usually will jump a little at first, but when she finds she cannot get out of the rope, she will stand-and cannot kick. If this method causes the cow to give bloody milk, place the rope or strap behind the udder and draw it up in the same manner. With some cow this cannot be done because of the shape of the udder.

Another method is to hobble the cow by passing the rope around each leg behind the udder, and tying just above the hocks. This is rather dangerous for the man tying the rope. After the preventive measure has been repeated several times the cow will stand readliv to be milked.

SUCCESS IN DAIRY BUSINESS

Dairyman Must Put Himself Through Some Process of Trainingvledne la l

Under the strained circumstances of these days, to succeed in dairy work you must know how to think, and that means that you must have put yourself through some process training, either on your own hook or by proxy, that is, with the help of a school or working for some practical dairyman. It does not matter at all how you get your information, just so you get it, but to begin dairying with out it is as hopeless as to jump into a deep river without knowing how to

DRINKING WATER FOR STOCK

Cow Will Not Reach Maximum Pro duction Unless She Has Abundant Supply in Winter.

Warm drinking water for the dairy stock will save feed and also benefit the milk flow. It saves feed because it does not draw on the vitality of the cow as does cold water. It benefits the milk flow because a cow will not reach her maximum production unless she drinks water abundantly. This she will not do if it is ice cold.

COW TESTING IS PROFITABLE

Farmers May Have Work Done at Nominal Cost by Joining Association-Cost is Divided.

Farmers who are too busy to test their own cows may now have this work done for them at a nominal cost by joining a cow-testing association. ing association is an organization of about twenty-six dairy farmers who employ co-operatively a man to test their cows for economical production.

Without Oil.

tactless man is, in the running of his affairs, like an engineer who runs his locomotive without oil, whether it is through ignorance or just to show what can be done. Both men come to grief before they have gone yery far.

Liquid Colors. Alcohol, when pure, is greenish in color, while water is distinctly blue in shade.

SUMMER CAPITAL OF INDIA

Simia, the Most English City From London to Melbourne, Increases in-Population During Year.

The British empire never gives the sun a chance to set on it, but of all the cities from London to Melbourne that fly the Union jack, the most English is Simia, summer capital of India. It is more English than anything in England, as though the English in India were stirred to a more aggressive Anglicism by their distance from

Simia has been pictured to all the world in Kipling's "Plain Tales," states a writer, but it has changed a good deal since the era set forth in those Little Richer in Protein Than Whole sketches. The railroad from Kulka was completed years ago and the long journey from the rail head to Simla in the tonga, or native cart, which was one of the unforgettable experiences of the visitor in the early days, is hardly a memory now. The sailing time from the Indian ports to Europe has been cut in half since Kipling wrote and, altogether, Simla is much more a part of the world. Yet it keeps its characteristic flavor in spite of modern improvements.

It is a summer city. In winter there are perhaps 15,000 people there, most of them natives. In the hot weather skimmed milk. Fine ground meal is the population goes up to 40,000 or Most of the newcomers are officers of some importance in the Indian world-men on leave from a hundred scattered districts, men from lonely frontier posts and fever smitten southern provinces, men who act as fficial advisers to the kings of semiindependent native states, meeting their own people in numbers for the first time in a twelvemonth.

BLIND REPAIR WATCHES BEST

Sightless Men Known to Detect De fects That Other Tradesmen Failed to Discover.

Blind people-those who have been

the proper methods. To cure the of- ful that on more than one occasion he

News Items.

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Mr. and Mrs. Henry W. Brockelman loft last. Sunday for a man man acked rest with Mrs. Hichard Greatell in Dorchester, a sister of Mrs. Brockelman.

Miss Marion R. Storer and treginals Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Lester G. Helden, the former a sister of Mrs. Brockelman.

At the regular meeting of the board of selectmen held in the Engine hall last week Thursday evening, the following appointments—were mader James H. McMahon, of Fitchburg, town counsel: Edmund F. O'Nelli, registrar of voters: Thomas Manktellow, Jamitor of town hall and special police: Jeremish Gleuson and James Morkus, weigher of cotton at Sanison Cordage Works; Charles A. Stebbins, Guy R. Cook and Joseph Murphy, engineers of fire department; G. M. Ballou, C. R. White, Howard A. Hatch, fence viewers; Thomas Manketlow, George A. Stebbins, field viewers; Googe Farmer, Walter Knowles, Nelson W. Wamboldt, special police: John L. Beach, Harold B. Blenkhorn, John F. Lynch, Fletcher Osgood, Benjamin T. Sherman, speckal police: John R. Beach, Harold B. Blenkhorn, John F. Lynch, Fletcher Osgood, Benjamin T. Sherman, speckal police: at Indvarrial School for Boys; H. O. Peasley, Guy F. Cown and Scannick of the grant and coal.

The republican town committee met last Saturday evening at the home of Frank R. Wheeler and organized with Robert R. J. Hoiden, chairman Arthur G. Dunn, sec; J. Fred Brown, treas.

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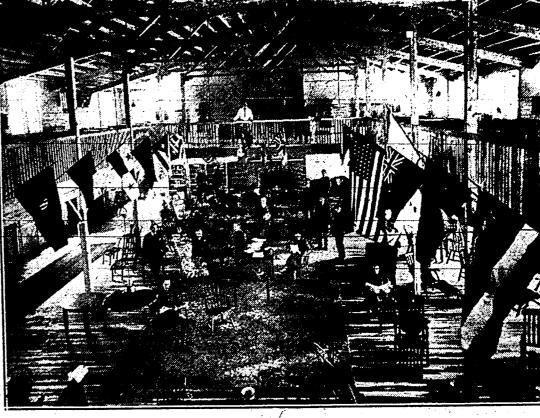
Joseph Trembley has returned home from Jacksonville, Fla., where he has been employed as automobile, repair man for Ley Bros., the wellnown contractors.

The dance recently given for the benefit of the Red Cross, under the management of Charlotte L. Knox, netted about twenty dollars.

The dance held on last week Friday Mrs. Knox, for the benefit of the niversalist church, netted about by Mrs. Knox, Universalist c twenty dollars. Prisailla the two-vear-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Landry, died on last week Thursday from pneu-monia.

on her hands), so as to be near her sol-

met by the profits from the ten room and then the club will be not only self and then the club will be not only selfgoverning and non-sectarian, but selfsupporting as well. It is at present
paying many of its running expenses.
There is a possibility that the ladies
mending committee of the D. A. R.
may meet at the Shirley club house.
For many years the Daughters of the
American Revolution have kept the
inalienable right to mend for our soldier boys. The women go in rain,
shine, slush or sleet, and they pay their
own way to Camp Devens often from
a considerable distance, to render this
pariotic service.
The Massachusetts women workers
thas behind it 200 girls, most of them



From the Boston Evening Transcript

INVITING INTERIOR OF ROBBINS' POND SOLDIERS' CLUB

The Great Rugs and Many of the Tables and Chairs Now Used by Men of New National Army Were Once Furnishings of German Transatlantic Liners

meat and wheat Turnish fuel for solding the regulations under which they are diers. The Massachusetts women workers has behind it 200 girls, most of them wage earners, who are straining every scarifice. To raise the \$5000 for more organization secretaries, so sorely needed today. Its members believe they should have a little help from the public. It is as hard, with the price of living steadily going up, for an organization made up largely of wage earners, to raise \$5000 as it would be for a larger and a more powerful association to raise its \$4,000,000.

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It may be that food will win the to the use of the men of the camp; and war, as those who should know maintain. It is true beyond all doubt that meat and wheat "furnish fuel for soldiers" as they do for all the fighters administered, of the requirements for in all the battles of life; and the well-known slogan, blazoned along the much-traveled highways of the country is good and sufficient for its destined purpose.

But, on the theory of present-day economists, it might be added with equal truth and force, if less brevity, the enjoyment of the men and made to invite rather than to repel by a set large read is manager of this press and contests are even now products.

The force surface of the pond at its foot is furnishing some rare sport. The frozen surface of the pond is also in daily use now for the more serious that soldiers cannot live by bread to invite rather than to repel by a set.

William J. Creed is manager of this

William J. Creed is manager of this institution, and a staff of eighteen men is employed regularly about the place No women are allowed in this club house except on tours of inspection accompanied by their relatives or friends of the camp and no provision is therefore made for their entertainment.

The club house on West street, in billiard tables and bowling alleys are in the basement on the ground. The main structure occupies what was once the lawn of one of the older residences of the town, while the old house itself has been joined to the club house proper by a passage way and serves as an administration building for the War Camp Community Service.

The women friends and relatives of the soldiers are at all times welcome at the West Street house, where they are entertained. A weekly program of social functions is carried out afternoons and evenings, in the management and arrangement of which the wives of officers of the division assist, and it is here that regimental and company dances and afternoon teas are, held to which all men in uniform are warmly welcomed. Coteries of The women friends and relatives of are warmly welcomed. Coteries of properly vouched for young women are brought from each of the surrounding towns in turn for the differ-ent dance evenings and the system has ent dance evenings and the system has already attained great popularity with the men of Camp Devens. Each party is chaperoned and no individual ex-cept a soldier in uniform is admitted without an identification card or let-ter of invitation.

Saturday afternoon and all day Sun-ay the Soldiers' club keeps open Saturday afternoon and all day sunday the Soldiers' club keeps open house and, as large as it is, on these occasions it is taxed to its utmost as a rendezvous for the soldiers and their visiting friends.

Among similar buildings devoted to much the same purposes and under the direction of the War Community Service at Ayer is the Ayer Girls' club on Washington street in the village. These quarters-since the establishment of quarters—since the establishment of the camp and the great influx of girls who have come to the new mercantile branches of Boston houses as clerks, telephone operators and waltresses— have been filled to their utmost capac-

ley, on the other side of Citin Devens, largely patronized by the temphon-operators engaged at the camp ex-change and by others employed in the town of Shirley, which like Ayer, has been given a decided impetus and growth by the establishment of the camp. This also is under the admin-istrator of the War Camp Community Service.

While on the mail route list week Arthur Brown's horse was cat quite badly and he was obliged to remain in Mason over gight.

Murion Holes on is ill with Liberty measles.

Miss Mary Couler has been a guest at the bare of Eldorus Fessenden.

THE MILITARY TRAINING AT THE ANTONMENTS

By William H. Tat:

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The contrast between these same men as they came from the farm and the counting room, from the milroid and the factory, end as they now mart by ir khaki as a strong arguments. It is not the contrast for universal in fair training to the private has not been underly the discipline of obediance noted.

GROTON

News Items. During the terrific wind of Tuesday afternoon the roof and part of one side of a car was blown from the north of a car was blown from the north bound freight and lay across the track. A vast amount of credit is due the young son of Joseph Cleary of the mill district, who seeing the obstruction, hastened to the home of John Glison telling him about it. Mr. Glison telephoned the station agent immediately to warn the engineer of the four of clock train of the danger ahead. But for the forethought of this young man a serious accident might have happeneed.

The Groton Alliance will meet in the church parlor on Thursday afternoon, March 7, at 2.30 o'clock. After the business of the meeting Mr. Ames will give a synopsis of "The Syrian Christ," by Mr. Rhibany. Supper will be served at 6.30 to members of the parish. The evening will be devoted to a discourse of church affairs and a social time.

Mr. and Mrs. M. J. O'Connell, of Allston, were week-end visitors at the home of Mrs. O'Connell's mother, Mrs. Hangon of Hollis street.

Mednesany for a weekher parents in Hyde Park.

A clipping from the Providence
Journal: "The Cuiver Dye Co., has
been incorporated by Ralph F. Cuiver,
of, Mt. Vernon, N. Y.; Eugene L. E.
Drake, of Providence, R. I., and Archie
L. Drake, of Framingham, Mass., with
a capital of \$50,000 to do business, in
Providence. Mr. Cuiver, one of the incorporators, is a son of Mr. and Mrs.
James F. Cuiver, of Groton."

The Community club met on Wedspeak.

The Maitland Johnson family on

The Community club met on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. David Gibson. Twelve ladies were present, including a guest, Mrs. William Gleason, sister of the hostess. The usual roll call with quotations and musical numbers were enjoyed. very pleasant afternoon was spent A very pleasant afternoon was spent in starting the new work which had in starting the new work which had been given out by Mrs. Griswold at the previous meeting, and the finishing of work on hand. Refreshments were served at the close of the afternoon. The next meeting will be held on March 13 at the home of Mrs. Durant.

The arts and crafts department of The arts and crafts department of The Woman's club met as usual on Thursday evening of last week.

the Woman's club met as usual on Thursday afternoon.

All are glad to see the snow gradually disappearing. The recent rains have made the streets and sidewalks very icy, which has occasioned many falls during the past few days and caused automobiles and teams to slew dangerously from their course. Clayton McKean has been in town

Rev. G. M. Howe, who was unfortunate in falling on the ice some weeks ago, is recovering slowly from the shock of the fall. Although able to be about, his shoulder troubles him

considerably.

On account of the illness of Philip
Torrey, Mrs. Torrey was unable to
into town on Thursday from Boston.

Warren Whitehill is at home for a
meeting of the Woman's clubs held in Warren Whitehill is at home for a w weeks' vacation.

During the strong wind of the past week many of the telephone lines were put out of commission, trees ruined and considerable damage done. The old trees in front of the Prescott place on the Boston road suffered greatly from the windstorm, some of the large limbs being badly broken.

The Neighborhood club met Wed-

nesday afternoon for the purpose of accomplishing more in the Red Cross work. They plan to meet every two weeks for the regular club meeting. Out the intervening meeting will be devoted to sewing, knitting, etc. without a program or refreshments.

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The Washington's birthday party given by the Woman's Alliance of the Unitarian church on Friday evening. February 22, in the town hall, afforded much pleasure to all who attended. Music was furnished by Newell's orchestra of Mariboro.

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Mys. Claim. They were somewhat the good lines and the great of the gre

The young people's dancing school that has been holding meetings every Thursday, under Mrs. Jones, of Clinton, will give its final dance and exhibition on Thursday, March 7.

Mrs. Corinne Fallon Fay, of Boston, who was operated upon for appendicitis several weeks ago at the Groton hospital, is at present at her mother's home in the mill district. She plans to visit her brother, Peter Fallon, in New York, as soon as she is strong enough to take the trip.

The senior class of the high school will give the three-act comedy, "Prof. Pett," Saturday evening, March 16, in the town hall, the proceeds of which will be used for the Washington trip, to which the members of the class are looking forward.

Mrs. Fannie Sampson, her board. The sentor class of the high school will give the three-act comedy. Prof. Pett." Saturday evening, Murch 16, in the town hall, the proceeds of which will be used for the Washington trip, to-which the members of the class are looking forward.

Mrs. Fannie - Sampson has heard from her son, Lieut, Sampson, who is stationed at Waco. Texas. He and two other lieutenants are drilling a company of nearly 200 men, and he states that the days are rather warm, but the nights are comfortable.

About Town.

Richard Harrington and wife came the mother, Mrs. Hattle G. Harring- News It to their mother, Mrs. Hattle G. Harring- News It to their mother, Mrs. Lawrence E. Blood in All little daughter spent the holiday in Fitchburg.

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Last Tuesday morning Mrs. Everett Williams was severely burned when a can of water in which she was boiling Hanson, of Hollis street.

Sunday morning worship at the Baptist, church will be at 10.30; subject, "Christ, the bread of life." Evening service at seven; subject, "What does it mean to confess Christ?" Rev. Arthur. Burrows will be the preacher.

Mrs. Boscoe Follett left Grotor.

Mrs. Roscoe Follett left Groton on Wednesday for a week's vacation with her parents in Hyde Park.

A clipping from the Providence Journal: "The Culver Dye Co., has been incorporated by Ralph F. Culver, which a been incorporated by Ralph F. Culver, and the Colver Dye Co., has been incorporated by Ralph F. Culver, and the Grange, and

The Maitland Johnson family on Chicopee row were greatly alarmed on Tuesday when their chimney caught fire, necessitating the assistance of the fire department. No damage was done.

J. E. Adams has sold his Maxwell touring car to Miss Lois Wright, of

On Thursday evening of last week Mr. and Mrs. Gardner Rockwood opened their home to their friends, when a progressive whist evening was greatly enjoyed. The prizes were won by Mrs. Horace Rockwood and Miss Clarissa Coburn.

Clarissa Coburn.

At the next meeting of the Woman's club March 8, the music section, with Mrs. Marion W. Ames, chairman, will present the cantata, "Spring rapture." The members of this department have devoted much time. In preparing for this afternoon's entertainment, which is looked forward to by the other club members. On account of the liness of Philips.

Chelsea on last week Wednesday. Miss Addie Robley spent the week-end with friends in Auburndale.

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Mrs. George Campbell, of Nashua, has recently visited her parents, Mr., and Mrs. Charles H. Berry.

Mrs. Cedric Hodgman, of Beverly, spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Hodgman.

Theodore Picherden Campaign

Theodore Richardson, formerly of Groton, who has accepted a position as salesman for the J. L. Hammet School Supply House, Boston, was in town last week and attended the Washington birthday party in the town hall on Friday evening.

There will be a lecture in the town hall on this Saturday evening under the auspices of the Woman's club by Lieut. Com. Thomas Mott Osborne. This is an open meeting and a cordial invitation is extended to everyone to attend

retreshments and singing.

'Mr, and Mrs, Samuel Blodger are pleased to have with them on a visit their daughter. Mrs. Forrest O. Andrews, and baby.

'Capt. and Mrs. Hollister, of Buffalo, N. Y., arrived in Groton last.

Lawrence Academy Notes.

Miss Catherine Beatley, a former Two of becacher of it wrence, cademy, has been the given of Headmaster and Mrs. Arthur d Clough this week.

The annual mablic Substance in Rodinson. Capt, and Mrs. Hollister, of Buffelo, N. Y., arrived in Groton last week Thursday afternoon and will occupy the house vicilted by Capt, and CMrs. Califfin. They were somewhat declayed in arriving in town by the Blass of their son.

Mrs. Arthor J. Cjough tims week.

The annual public debate of the Alpha Beta society will take place. Applied to Tassday ever, k. March 19, in the anothery hall. The subject 1 for disease, will be, Recovery That for their son.

About Town.

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Mrs M

win the war, and draw up your plan of your campaign.

Any who wish to order fertilizers or seed at cost through this committee are asked to communicate with Stephen W. Sabine as early as possible. Details of prices will be announced later, depending somewhat, of course, on the total orders secured.

Let us all be prepared to open our spring drive just as soon as the conditions of soil and weather are suitable.

S. W. Sturgis, Chairman Committee on Food Production and Conservation.

hanced by sixty-five 'stereopticon views which were very clear, prosenting to the eye de comparison of the new with the old—in travel, industries, ducation, medicine, dress, worthing and customs; the old empire of China, asleep for centuries, with China, the republic, awake in a measure to christianity, and becoming each day more alive to the wonders of modern progress. Mr. Ganley expects to give a second illustrated becare on the evening of March 10. These education and Conservation.

AYER

News Items.

The Free Public Library Commission of Massachusetts, in behalf of the American Library association, will dedicate the Camp Devens library on Wednesday afternoon, March 6, at the Camp Devens library on the companion of the Camp Devens library on the companion of the Camp Devens library on the camp Devens library on the camp Devens library afternoon, March 6, at the camp Devens library afternoon, March 6, at the camp Devens library afternoon, March 6, at the camp Devens library commission of the camp Devens library on the dedicate the Camp Devens library on Wednesday afternoon, March 6, at three o'clock.—The building will be accepted in behalf of the war department by Major-General Harry F. Hodges. Gov. Samuel W. McCall will be the chief guest of the afternoon. be the chief guest of the afternoon.

town hall.

Groton Inn was full to overflowing over the holiday and many had to find rooms outside. Some have effsaged rooms for next year, lest they be crowded out then.

Mrs. J. F. Peabody was called out of town last week to attend the funeral of an aunt.

Miss Sarah Priest, of Littleton, who has been at a Boston hospital for an operation, isvae Mrs. Fannie Sampson's while convaleaging. She is very comfortable and able to be around the house.

Miss Mary Donahde has been on the sick list.

Mrs. Green, of Fitchbirg, was the guest of Mrs. W. A. Lawrence over the holiday.

More defined and indirect for the person of the American Ambance Field Service at the front, was the speaker. Soon after he reached from the wounded from the zone under fire. No lights were allowed on the autos for fear of attracting the attention of the nemy, and his descriptions of trips taken on pitch dark hights were thrilling. The 250 stereopticon views, made from photographs taken by himself, fairly carried his audience field of battle.

Fred B. Barrows has been trans-

James Bowers, of Hollis street, who has been in poor health for some time, has not been as well for a week or two.

Mrs. C. B. Eddy has been poorly all winter, having heen able to love

Misses Doris and Irene Peabody were home for the heliday and weekend. Miss Irene is having a week's vacation from her school at Framingham: Normal.

Mrs. Ardelle Warren has been suffering from an attack of the grippe.

George Boynton is among the shutins, having a throat trouble.

The annual Groton School play was held on Monday evening in the town hail. The play was entitled "Officer 666," and the parts were taken by the sixth form boys and were well taken. The music by the Groton School orchestra was much enjoyed.

A good program had been arranged for the meeting of the Grange on Tuesday evening, but the severity of the weather kept many away who were to have taken part. The evening proved to be a very pleasant one.

An alarm for fire on Tuesday after-year gest led everyone as the wind.

Ing proved to be a very pleasant one.

An alarm for fire on Tuesday afternoon startled everyone, as the wind was something terrific, but it did not prove to be serious. It proved to be a chimney fire at the home of Maitland Johnson.

The third in the series of military whist parties which are being held by the Odd Fellows in their hall on Station avenue, took place on Thursday evening with a good attendance.

Guy Swallow, who is manager of The following rhetoricals were six-

tion avenue, took place on Thursday evening with a good attendance.

Guy Swallow, who is manager of a store in Nashua, N. H., has been home for nearly two weeks, having laryngitis. His father, Mr. P. Swallow, has attended to his business in Nashua part of the time. He is improving.

West Groton.

Everything is extremely quiet, the village still being in the grip of the measles. Little Georgia Webber has been quite ill and one of the little boys in the Sherwin family, also.

Mrs. M. E. Williams spent last week with her daughter, Mrs. Worster, in Fitchburg.

Owing to weather conditions on last week Tuesday, making the roads almost impassible for pedestrians, the Improvement society meeting was not held, one member only being present.

On last week Wednesday forenoon about 500 soldlers from Cana Devens.

William C Jackson and family re-

William C Jackson and family re-ser act week at the conjecter, Mrs. Mar-occupying their house on Washington street, which has been occupied for the past few months by an officer's family. Mr. Jackson is now at work in a tanner, at Feabody and spends his week-end in Aven

munity. E. on the whole typically New England—knowing their own condievil that not a few of these outside workers expected. And as a matter of fact nothing out of the ordinary has happened there. The 'uplifters' believe that this is largely due to the fact that they organized the military zone effectively. The natives take a somewhat different view. But why not compromise upon the fact that Ayer has stood admirably by the government in this matter of training the New England division, and will emerge from the war as the best known town in seven states."

Camp Devens Library. The library building at Camp Dev

ens, given by Andrew Carnegle, is nearing completion, and the opening will be on Wednesday afternoon. Meanwhile enlisted men and officers are finding the books they need. The

and its quiet is appreciated by men who have few places for reading and study.

There is a collection of about 15,000 volumes, the greater part of which has been collected by librarians throughout the state, and supplemented by the purchase of non-fiction from the \$1,000,000 fund secured by the American Library association last fall for books and buildings in all the cantonments and camps.

The library is in charge of John A. Lowe, agent of the Massachusetts free public library commission. The books are prepared for circulation by neighboring librarians, assisted by officers wives. There is an average attendance already of 150 readers a day.

The books called for are exceptionally line and the percentage of non-fiction is higher than that of the general library. One day's circulation is an interesting sample. There was a quantity of fiction and the authors were Beach, Doyle, Groy, Lincoln, Vance and Wells. A licutenant in the intelligence department sought a German grammar (although he knew German, his men did not know the

has been in poor heature for a week or two.

Mrs. C. B. Eddy has been poorly all winter, having been able to feave the house but a few times since last fall.

Miss Nellie M. Parish has taken rooms in E. B. Gerrish's house and has Alderson Balley with her. She is recovering from the effects of an operation, and Alderson is recuperating a little too.

Miss Marion Merrill. of Pepperell, spent Sunday with Miss Ethel Moors on Court street.

Misses Doris and Irene Peabody

Misses Limited to East Weymouth

Mandata at Camp Wardsworth, land at Camp Ward

on portrait painting, pen drawing, sketching and shorthand. One man from Texas, who has never been in New England before and was invited New England before and was invited to Boston for dinner, wanted something which would show the special character of Boston and its people. The quality of the general circulation may be shown by the following figures:

Philosophy Useful arts
Fine arts
Literature
Travel
Biography War books Inter-library loans_....

All the librarians in the state are cooperating. They are willing to lend material, and recently, in answer to an appeal for illustrative material for the officers' training school, pictures were gathered and mounted in large quantities. The library is endeavoring to get what is needed at once. Current magazines are desired and

ing to get what is needed at once. Current magazines are desired and new fiction, as well as technical books. The library building is to be an administrative and a distributing center, books being sent from there to the Y. M. C. A. the K. of C. buildings, the Hostess House, the hospital, etc. Camp Devens Site. The following historical sketch taken from the Boston American

February 24: Two hundred and forty-four years

and twelve other families, authority "to begin a town at Musquetaquid to be called Concord."

This town was founded, and until his removal to Lancaster in 1659, Simon Willard was the foremost man of the new colony. While he resided there he was chosen "clerk of the writs," and also was made "surveyor of arms," which was the beginning of his military career. On October 2, 1854, Major Willard was placed in command of an expediwas placed in command of an expedition set on foot by the commissioners of the United colonies against the Nianties—a tribe of the Narragansetts in Rhode-Island. In the-discharge-of-his official duties Maoir Willard was frequently called to Lancaster, and eventually was asked by the people to settle there. He accepted, and was given several parcels of land in the middle of the town, and his estate was bounded on two sides by the Nashua



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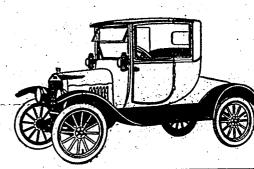
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HENRY A. JOHNSON. Groton, Mass., March 1, 1918, A Chance to Make

Purchase the fifteen room House situated on the corner of Forest and Grove Streets, Ayer, and open a lodging house. This property, formerly ocbe sold to settle up the estate, as will also the nine-room House situated on Forest Street and a Cottage situated on the corner of Church and Grove

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to listen to them. The applause was constant and a generous response was given to the encores. The inimitable gestures of the end men during the singing varied pleasantly the seriousness of some of the songs. The dance given by one of the men also added not a little fun to the program.

There were many sharp and telling hits in the questions and answers between the songs. These showed some knowledge of certain events of interest in the town and were received with lively applause.

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In the interval between the two

In the interval between the two parts of the program popcorn balls, made by the girls were sold. The whole affair, including the ushering was done by the soldiers. The Girl Scouts did heroic work in seiling tickets. The women on the committee who secured the actors are to be congratulated for the result of their efforts and the soldiers deserve the thanks of the Scouts and af all who were fortunate enough to hear the program for the rare treat they enprogram for the rare treat they enjoyed.

Rev. J. W. Thomas, Victor J. Cook a soldler of Binghamton, N. Y. and Grace E. Van Vorls of Slikirk, N. Y. Last Sunday the pastor of the Baptite church baptized a young man in the morning and gave the hand of fellowship to two in the evening. Next Sunday the subject of the pastor's sermon at 10.46 will be "The God of Elljah." Sunday school at twelve. Praise meeting at 6.30. Preaching at 6.45 by Rev. Afred Boutwell of Camp Devens. "If Christians just squeeze in, how can unbelievers get by?" B. Y. P. U. Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock. B. Y. P. U. Tuesday evening at way between the two rooms, thereby of Camp Devens. Participated in senional raids in Fitchburg last Saturday in the senional raids in Fitchburg last Saturday in the fitchburg last Saturday in the fitchburg police and several military police from Camp Devens. Walter Hays, a former waiter in the West Street lunch, died at the Heywood Memorial hospital, Gardner, sarily Sunday morning, of pneumonia. The young man was nineteen years of age and a native of Templeton. Stories about the cause of his death in other papers are declared to be without foundation.

The Unitarian Girls' club will meet with Mrs. Daisy Beckford on Wednesday werning, March 6. Hostess, Mrs. Beckford. They are to give an afternoom whist at the home of Mrs. Frank B. Crandall on Nashua street on Tuesday, March 5. Tickets may be, obtained from members of the club.

Mrs. S. N. Lougee of Nashua, street, who has spent the past two months with her daughter, Mrs. George H. B. Turner, returned to her home Thursday.

The net sum of \$109.45 was made at the minstrel show given by the minimum the sum of \$109.45 was made at the ministrel show given by the minimum the sum of \$109.45 was made at the ministrel show given by the minimum the sum of \$109.45 was made at the ministrel show given by the mi

Minstrel Show.

The town hall was filled to its limit. Thursday evening on the occasion of the second minstrel show given by soldiers from Camp Devens. This was given by the 301st Ambulance Company, under the auspices of the Special. Aid society and was for the benefit of the Girl. Scouts. The missic was by the orchestra of eight pieces, who, with their leader, were seated near the stage on the main floot.

The entertainment opened with a scene on Saratoga race tracks. Four soldiers had part in this and the betting and watching the races was very realistic. Then came an illustration of numerous sleight-of-hand performances by one soldier which were watched with great interest and generously applauded.

This was followed by the work of the minstrels, which began with an overture, "When the Yanks come marching home," and the choruses, "Dixie," "Long, lean gal" and "Mason Dixon."

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This was followed by the work of the ministries, which began with an overlate, when the Yanks some Justine Sizers, in the biting cold atmosphere, and any on the members for their songs: "For there's Egypt in your dreamy eyes, by Sergt, Carpenter:" don't want to generate the first songs: "by Sergt, Carpenter:" don't want to generate the collemance of the services of the s the patriotic celebrations were held in all the cantonments. The speaker on this occasion was Jeremiah E. Burke, assistant superintendent of schools of Boston, who spoke on the life of Washington. Later, forty of the Golden Rule Girls of Greater Boston gave a fine minstrel show to a crowded house. The same girls gave a concert in the evening at the Soldiers' clubhouse in Ayer before a large audlence. This' handsome building was kept open all day and many of the soldiers availed themselves of the privileges there.

Camp Devens leads every canton-

Camp Devens leads every canton-ment in the country in war risk insur-ance, according to a report given out by division headquarters. Of the three

Lieutenants John M. Raumond, of Salem, and Gerald S. Connolly, of Roxhury, the former attached to the 302d and the latter to the 303d Field

The Eastern Star and Camp Fire Girls have worked on the 9x9 in. dressings and officers' wives at the Hostess house have helped with the red packet dressings.

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Every soldier that could be spared was allowed a pass sometime between the companies of the 301st Infantry were quarantined over the holiday.

Private Charles M. Parkhurst, of Norwich, Vt., of Company B, 301st Field Signal Battakion, died last week Friday morning of meningitis at the base hospital. The body was taken to his former home for interment.

The 301st Engineers are practising to become a singing regiment. Rehearsals are being held in the various companies.

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arrest, stated that the defendant was making sleeping quarters out of the station waiting-room. The officer ordered him out several times within two days. Lowe claimed that he was waiting for a train on two occasions when the officer requested him to move. Being a prospective passenger he considered he had a right to remain there. The fourt, in ordering his discharge, warned Lowe to keep away from the station in the future. Frank Kutchinsky was, found guilty

Frank Kutchinsky was found gully of barrying a loaded revolver without permit and was ordered to pay the cost of the prosecution, a punting to ten dollars.

Stolen Stole Recovered.

Through the persistent and effective work of Chief Beatty for the past two months, the valuable stole belonging to Mrs. S. L. Munson, of Albany, N. Y., which has been missing sing December 25, was restored to its owner on Wednesday. Behind the recovery of this valuable far garment, which its owner claims is worth \$500, there is an interesting story.

is an interesting story.

Mrs. Munson is the wife of S. L.

Munson, a private in Headquarters
Company, 203rd Field Artillery at
Camp Devens, who in civil life was a Camp Devens, who in civil life was a successful business man in Albany, where he amassed a fortune. They were married in that city early in December. While on their honeymoon they came here on Christmas day, going from here to the Groton Inn, where they made their home until recently.

cently.

They went from Ayer to Groton They went from Ayer to Groton is an automobile owned and driven by Thomas Marshall, of Boston, a local jitney driver. Some time after their arrival at the well-known Groton hostelry Mrs. Munson missed the stole, which was a part of a fur set worth \$1500, which was given to her by her husband as a wedding present. She immediately reported the matter to Chief Beatty, who after an investigation had Clifford Doeffle, of Secton, arrested on a charge of a larceny of the stole, Doeffler being a ged in the automobile transportation usiness in



MONDAY, MARCH 4

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The underlying theme of the narrative, namely, the sinister effect of the world-old stumbling block of man, Superstition, furnishes the basis for a story of interesting study, since it links with the ancient tale of Grenelda a modern development of the curse placed upon the possessor of the Devil Stone, carried down into the events of the life of Marcia Manot, as a Breton fisher girl and later as the wife of Silas Martin in America.

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Center.

The 1918 Thimble clab are busy these days doing their "sewing bit and "lending a hand" as mother's helpers, a work that is appreciated and highly recommended.

The Monday clab will hold an open meeting in the vestry of the Congregation and church on Monday evening. The speaker of the evening will be appearing in the interesting articles often appearing in the interesting articles of the public appearing in the interesting articles of the public appearing in the interesting articles often appearing in the interesting articles of the public appearing in the interesting articles of the public appearing in the interesting articles often appearing in the interesting art

The Birthday club recently present-d an Audubon bird chart to be used t the Center school; which is much at the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teachers and

Monday and was accompanied by her friend, Miss Burdo.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wood, of Baltimore, Md., are spending a few days at their summer home on the Fitchburg road.

Among the home-comers and guests for over the holiday and week-end were Dr. Ethel Rockwood, assistant resident physician, Long Island hospital, and Gertrude Rockwood, takeher in Watertown, with W. F. Rockwood: Violet McKenzle, teacher in Danlelson, Conn., with D. McKenzle; Helen Miller, of Quincy, with Mrs. A. D. Fessenden; Francis Struthers and J. Parke Struthers, Hayvard Radioschool, with Rev. A. L. Struthers; Cliftord Lancey, of Harvard Medical colored Lancey, of Harvard Medical colored to the structure of the wind and the cornshouse at the force of the was blown of onto the top of a freight at the top of a freight at the top of a freight at th school, with Rev. A. L. Struthers; Cilf-ford Lancey, of Harvard Medical col-lege, with R. A. Lancey; Miss Harriet Kaiser, of Mason, N. H., with Mrs. Angie Lang; Miss Cary Worcester, of the Shawmut National bank, Boston, with C. F. Worcester; Louise and Robert Teehan, of Worcester, with J. Coffey; James McGuire, of Lynn, with N. McGuire; Mr. and Mrs. Leslie Bul-lard, of Connecticut, with G. Davis; Miss Esther Bagley with F. B. Hig-sins; Miss Bessie Eastman with T. J. Harvey.

Grange.

At the Grange meeting in Monday evening the program subject was "Household pests and the diseases they carry." A paper of "spring-time" interest was given by Mrs. Lilla Seaver on the fly and mosquito pest, giving timely warning as to the importance of destroying early in the season the breeding places of these disease carriers. She also referred to the black and red ants, that while they may not necessarily carry disease, they prove themselves a summer nuisance to some housekeepers.

themselves a summer nuisance is some housekeepers.

George L Whitcomb gave a talk on "The rat pest," a household and wattonal liability, and he presented some startling flaures gleaned from an arrivele by Edward W. Nelson, chief of U.S. Biological Survey. He said that rats, man's most destructive and dangerous enemy, increased annually at the rate of 5000 percent, if left alone, and that the annual loss and damage and that the annual loss and damage by rats in the United States amounted.

The Town reports have been received from the printer and were distributed to the voters on Monday.

Miss Gertrude Higgins, of the Springfield Junior college, was the over Sunday guest of Miss Marion Boutelle, of Bayberry hill.

The Red Cross Auxiliary voted at their weekly meeting to have charge of the town meeting dinner on Monday, and Mrs. Flora Atwood was chosen chairman of the committee. At this meeting letters of appreciation and thanks for Christmas packages and comfort kits were read from Joseph Temple, U. S. S. Virginia: Eneas C. Morgan, 32d Squadron. Aviation camp, Waco, Texas, and Lestre Sporford. Wato, Town and Cape.

There was a good house at the high school senior class benefit entertainment on last week Friday evening. The photoplay was much enjoyed and the candy table, in charge of May Temple and Sadie Moulton, well patronized, about fifteen dollars being realized from the sale of the "sweets." The net proceeds amounted to \$34.57.

The Birthday club recently present at the Center school, which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teuchers and the cand the ca

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at the Center school; which is much appreciated by the grade teachers and pupils.

Friends are sorry to learn of the painful accident that befell Mrs. Albert Howard on last week Friday afternoon. As she was stepping off the plaza at D. W. Farrar's she fell, spraining her right wrist.

Miss Adelaide Well, teacher in Maynard, and her fiancé, Leslie R. Sims, are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Brackett. Old City. February 22 was the birthday anniversary of Miss Well and special honor was given the occasion, Miss Veronica Burdo, of Fitchburg, and Private Curtin, of Camp Devens, being guests. Miss Well represented the Old City as a volunteer for carding questionnaires in Ayer on Monday and was accompanied by her friend, Miss Burdo.

I would be among those fortunate enough to reap some of the fruits of their loyal work. But strange things are happening in the world these tur-bulent times.

bulent times.

Evidently, one of the many advantages of being a resident of a town is that on occasions such as this, one is not forgotten, for I noticed that in the distribution of Red Cross packages the bank from the multiple permutation.

on would be confirmed to the confirmed t ginning to arrive : ous to that of the infederacy in 1860, in firmly convinced antederacy in 1500, the firmly convinced people of the North determined to fight it end. Just as soon as Central Powers are nsuperable streng

Both the children and the birds at the Harbor schoolhouse have had a treat this winter. The children have feeding boxes on their windows and a large feeding place on the ground which they have kept free from snow, and several pieces of suet have been because of the state of the state of the state of the chicken-pox.

Miss Mary A. Taft, of Lowell, is at the home of her sister, Mrs. Josephine large feeding place on the ground which they have kept free from snow, and several pieces of suet have been tied on the trees. The chicadees and have have some in numbers from

Then Mr. Red suddenly disappears.
The chicadees are very sociable and
fly around the heads of the children
who feed them; one venturesome chap
even lighting on a piece of suet in
a boy's hand and feeding quietly.
There is a white rabbit which appears occasionally and two pheasants
have been seen near the school.
The children are very much interested and many have window boxes or

ested and many have window boxes or a feeding place at home. In what bet-ter or easier way can we teach chil-dren to be kind, generous, thoughtful

West.

An organization of Boy Scouts has recently been formed in the village with Charles Hodgman as scout-master, Harold Petts as patrol, James Ferrera as assistant patrol and Daniel Ormsby as secretary and treasurer. Their meetings are held each Wed-

rs in the ministry." The decreased introduced by a patriotic the hymns of the Allied ministry. the hymns of the Allied sing sung and also a solo, we and Freedom," by a well-acist. Mr. Levy spoke very from the experiences of his are to work dating from his are the little Baptist church sing the little Baptist church mage, where his boyhood days seed and where he has many of who are proud of his faither weeful service in the min-

es' Mission Circle met on Thursday afternoon at the Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle and a consting meeting was enjoyed, along of the customs and condition, from the book, "The book," was taken up.

Willard has been enjoying a vication, visiting relatives in and vicinity.
Wilson and family have Bayberry hill, where they the winter with his parhe Centere,

Mrs. Alexander Reed substituted for Miss Allee Seaver at the library read-ing-room last Saturday Miss Marion Boutelle, of Dorchester, stant the week production of the control

spent the week end who for parents Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bout 10, of Bayperry hill. Mrs. Hattle Blood, who has been spending the winter with relatives in Newburyport, has returned to her

Mrs. Mary Tucker has seen on the sick list at her home, suffering from an attack of the grippe. Mrs. Etta Powers, of Alex chato, a former resident here, has be used to her home after visiting with the sister. Mrs. Nellie Newell, and received this vicinity.

-Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. imain all son Philip and Mrs. E. T. Green, of Boston, spent last Friday and Saturday at the Squannicook Inn, "John McElligott, of Boston, was in town for the holiday last week Ernest G. Wilson, of Clinton, and Miss Agnes Wilson, of Wattham, special

the week-end with their family here Mrs. McKenzie, who has been total

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Stickney, of Nashua, N. H., have been recent visitors in

Stillman Rand, of the Squanniegok lnn, is visiting in Boston. Mrs. Lucy Thompson, who has been spending the winter with relatives in the west and south, has returned to town and is at present stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle.

W. A. Boutwell and little daughter June recently visited relatives in Barre Mrs. Margery Fass, of Jamaica Plain, has been a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Richards.

Miss Mary A. Taft, of Lowell, is at the home of her sister, Mrs. Josephine Boynton, and Mrs. Fred Coburn, of Lowell, another sister, has also been a recent guest.

Owing to the rain and bad traveling on last week Wednesday the no-school signal was sounded.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sprague, who have been visiting Miss Emily Cutting have returned to their home in Cabot, Vt.

Mrs. George King has been a recent

sufferer from a severe cold. Dr. E. A. Wheeler, of Atlanta, Ga., who has enjoyed a brief visit with his mother and sister at the Baptist parsonage, left early last week for New York, soon to sail for France, where he will enter the military service of the Y. M. C. A. for a year.

George A. Seaver has recently enjoyed a vacation from his duties as clerk at W. A. Boutwell's store.

Funeral.

Funeral.

On Friday afternoon of last week funeral services of Mrs. Harriet S. Richardson, widow of the late Bradford Richardson, of Mason, N. H., were held at the home of her son, George Richardson, on the Fitchburg road, where she passed away late Tuesday evening of last week. Rev. Joseph McKean officiated and two vocal solos were rendered, "When at last we say good-bye," by Walter E. Wilder and Miss Ina Wilder, and "What will it be to see Jesus," by Mr. and Mrs. Wilder and Miss Ina Wilder, and Mrs. Wilder, and Miss Ina Wilder. The bearers were the two sons, George and Edward Richardson, of West Townsend and Milford, N. H., Albert Wilson of this village, and Mr. Richardson's business partner, Mr. Damot, of Ashby. The body was placed in the receiving tomb

Ange Lang Was Carry Western. Lutius and Ange Lang Was and Carry Western. Lutius and Subert Tebras, or Western. Lutius and Subert Tebras, we show down and the windown and

of the setate of said de-resented to said Court for first account of his ad-en said estate and applica-made for a distribution of his hands among the next

deceased.

hy cited to appear at a to be held at Cambridge, y of Middlesex, on the day of March A. D. 1918. in the forenoon, to show rou have, why said ac-ot be allowed and dis-according to said appliitioner is ordered to serve

tioner is ordered to serve by publishing the same week, for three successive er's Public Spirit, a news-in Ayer, the last publi-one day, at least, before d by delivering or mailing py of this citation to all interested in the estate at least before said Court. Arles J. McIntire, Esquire, said Court, this twenty-February in the year one hundred and eighteen, F. M. ESTY, Register.

PLAN OUTLINED FOR MARKETING PRODUCE

Much Time of Farmer and Labor of Horses Wasted by the Present Farm Practice.

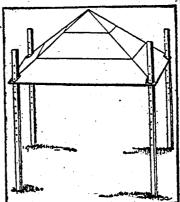
It is impossible to say how many thousand dollars' worth of time of men and horses is wasted every year by the present plan of having each in dividual farmer go to town with a few vegetables, chickens, eggs, or a pound or so of butter. How much better is the plan adopted some time ago by one neighborhood to which we have called attention: One man was employed to act as market agent for the entire group, going to the market town say on Tuesdays. Thursdays and Sat urdays, and selling for a commission of 15 per cent. Three collecting sta-tions were named (at farmers' homes). one say three miles, one six miles, and one nine miles from the market town To these collecting stations the neighhors sent on Monday. Wednesday and Friday evenings whatever stuff they wished their market-man to sell for them. Thus one man did the work of many; a regular line of customers was built up; the market man knew what prices were right and got them, and there are other obvious advantages .-The Progressive Farmer.

HAY STACK ROOF IS MOVABLE

Covering Arranged in Such Manner That It Can Be Raised or Lowered as Desired.

In response to a query for a hayshed roof that can be raised or low ered a writer in The Farmer makes the following reply:

two of them 16 feet square, and they are perfectly satisfactory. The roof must be made so as



Removable Roof.

to admit the posts at the corners, as in the cut. The poles should be cut about 22 feet long and set in the ground about four feet, leaving 18 feet above the ground. Holes should be bored in the posts a foot apart as high as the roof should go, and then one can raise the roof as high as he wants it. Of course, there is no use in having it any higher than one can pitch the hay, but the roof must be raised up high enough to work under while putting in the hay. When raising or lowering, iron pins are placed in the holes to hold the roof. bored one inch holes. The posts should be quite heavy, say about nine inches at the butt. We use a tackle to raise ours, one corner at a time, and keep going around until it is as high as one

FACTORS FOR FERTILE SOIL

Must Be Sweet, Not Acid, and Well Supplied With Organic Matter to Produce Big Crops.

A fertile soil must be sweet, not acid, and well supplied with organic matter and humus. It must have a suit able texture and tilth-a favorable en vironment for the plant roots. The soil must be aerated and have a sufficient supply of soll moisture, which includes proper tillage, irrigation and drainage. All of these factors and others must be associated in a sys-tematic plan of soil management in order that the land may be fertile and produce large crops.

TAKE GOOD CARE OF MANURE

Estimates Worked on Basis of Tonnage Fed Vary Greatly, Because of Methods of Handling.

Manure increases crop yields. The ess the rainfall the more important the application of manure becomes The higher priced the crops are the greater the returns of the manure The manure adds plant food and organic matter to the soil which is of more importance than it at first seems, as the plant can get along with less moist ure when the soil is well supplied with available plant food such as manus furnishes as it decays.

PROTECTING PEAS IN STORE

Damage by Weevil Overcome by Use of Air-Slaked Lime or Liquid Carbon Bisulphide.

The difficulty of keeping seed pea free of weevil damage is overcome in a simple manner by storing them in air-slaked lime at the rate of one part of the lime to two parts of peas by weight. Liquid carbon bisulphide will keep the seed if it be dipped for a few minutes in it, but the full benefit of the liquid seems to depend upon the percentage of moisture in the seed at the time of dipping.

Height of Clouds Varies.

Thunderstorm clouds are very variable in height-from 500 to 2,000 feet. The clouds in thunderstorms may be very deep-from two to five miles and more—hence the appearance as to distance is very deceptive. Cumulus clouds are intermediate, and generally occupy a position from 2,000 to 5,000 feet above the earth.

Russia is about twenty times larger than Germany and France put togeth-er, having an area of 8,505,000 square miles, and is larger than all of North

CALVES WITH WHITE SCOURS

Result of Inflammation of Lining of Fourth Part or True Digestive

White scours in calves is a form of Charrhea. It is the result of an in-flammation of the lining of the fourth part or true digestive stomach, and is generally caused by changing the calf's milk or giving cold or skim milk when not used to it. The munure is very thin and of a yellowishwhite color. The calf has pains breathes heavily and grouns at times, grits its teeth and keeps looking around at its sides. Try to discover the cause of the trouble, and if from a change of milk or giving it too cold, apply this treatment; Give the calf good, warm milk to

drink, following with two ounces of raw linseed oil, two ounces of lime water, one dram of laudanum. Mix and give as a drench. If this does not give relief follow with one dram of laudanum and two ounces of lime water. Mix and give three times a day in a little milk as a drench. Keep up this treatment and see that the inimal is kept dry and warm until it is better.

WARM WATER FOR DAIRY COW

Cheaper to Heat Supply Than for Animals to Do It Themselves With Expensive Feeds.

(North Dakota Agricultural College Bul A good supply of clean, fresh water should always be at hand for dairy cows. Much water is needed for the high-producing milch cow owing to the nature of her product, about 87 per cent of which is water. It should be handy at all times, and in the winter,

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Taking the leading classes of dairy cows, the Ayrshire, Jersey, Holstein and Guerasey, we find the Jersey produces the lightest calves and the Holstein the heaviest. They rank about as follows: Holstein, Ayrshire, Guernsey



Champion Jersey Cow.

and Jersey. The male calves are the heaviest, running as an average 90 pounds for the Holsteins, 78 pounds for Ayrshire, 70 pounds for the Guernsey and 621/2 pounds for the Jersey, while the helfer calves average 88,

7114, 69 and 60.7 pounds. REMEDY FOR CHAPPED TEATS

Carefully Wash With Warm, Soft Wa ter Containing Disinfectant-Dry and Apply Salve.

Chapped and sore teats of any kind should be carefully washed with warm soft water containing a little disinfectant. Dry them carefully and apply a little salve. The salve may be just ordinary vaseline; it may be any of the carbolic acid salves purchased in the drug store, or it may be made up of three parts of lard and one part of tur-

pentine. This saive protects the teat during the time between milkings. It excludes air and keeps the teats from drying and cracking and the surface of the teats become smooth and soft. Instead of being uneasy during milking, the cow will stand quietly and show no discomfort of any kind from this

ADD SUCCULENCE TO RATION

Where Corn Sliage is Not Available Feeding Small Potatoes Will Increase Milk Flow.

Potatoes add succulence to the dairy ration. Where corn sllage is not available and there are plenty of small potatoes, a peck a day will give a marked increase in milk flow. They should be introduced into the ration gradually, and should be run through a root cutter to avoid the possibility of choking the animal.

Roughage for Cows. Give the cows all the fodder-corn or

second-crop clover hay they will eat at night, and let them run on the pastures as long as they can get a good bite, and do not poach the soft ground Famous Tree Destroyed. "Byron's tree," in Harrow parish

churchyard, has been destroyed by fire, wantonly caused by a visitor. This is the elm made famous by the poet who in a letter from Italy in 1822 stated that he used to sit for hours

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yard of Harrow."

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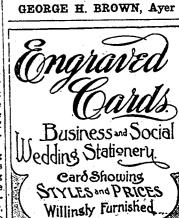
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handy at all times, and in the winter. If the tank is outside, heat should be applied to take the chill off the water. Cows will drink more water if warmed to 60 to 70 degrees Fahrenheit than it made to drink ice water. A tank heater can be provided at low cost that will keep water at proper temperature, thereby saving feed and energy of the animal. It is cheaper to warm ice water than to allow the cow to warm it with high-priced feed.

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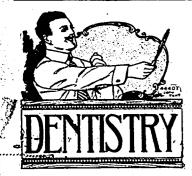
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POWDER HENS BY MACHINERY

Discarded Churn Makes Application Insect Powder Easy and Quite Effective.

(By. C. S. ANDERSON, Colorado Agri-cultural College, Fort Collins.)

A hen may be healthy, well fed, and well housed, but if she is overrun with lice and mites she cannot remain a profitable producer or a good mother for the young chicks.

Under ordinary conditions, lice and mites can be kept down by frequently spraying the poultry houses, roosts dropping boards and nests and by proriding a good dusting bath for birds. When these precautions fall, individual treatment must be followed by dusting the birds with some good insect powder. In large flocks this is very laborious, and the following use of an old discarded churn may help to solve the problem.

Put a cupful or so of insect powder in the churn. Next put in the birds one at a time and turn the churn gent-LAMB by for a half-dozen revolutions. If the powder contains carbolic acid or some other strong irritant, it will be well to protect the birds' eyes by slipping a small cloth sack over their heads.

The rotation of the churn cause the bird to relax and the feathers to open, thus letting the insect powder get well into the skin.

TURKEYS ALWAYS IN DEMAND

Because of Constant Decrease in Num ber of Fowls There is increased Profits in Them.

(By ANDREW WEINANT.) Because the number of turkeys in the United States has constantly decreased in the last few years while the demand has perhaps increased, a more profitable side line than turkey raising for those favorably situated for the work could hardly be found. Given plenty or range, turkeys will readily find grasshoppers and other insects, green vegetation, the seeds of weeds and grasses, waste grains, and acorns and nuts of various kinds. In sions. Then, one evening, she was this way the cost of raising them is small and the profits large. Grain



Turkeys on Range

and stock farms are particularly well adapted to turkey raising, and it is in such places that most of the turkeys found. Little has ever been done in the way of raising turkeys in confinement, and when it has been tried the results have been discouraging.

WAR RATIONS FOR CHICKENS

Corn is Probably Most Important Food for Poultry and Should Not Be Overlooked.

In spite of the high cost of feeds a flock of good fowls will continue to return a handsome profit, because of the great advance in price of eggs and poultry. There is no cheap ration, because all grains and feeds have advanced. Corn is probably the most

not be left out of the ration. constitute the bulk of the hard grain, using equal quantities by weight of each. A little barley, say 20 to 25 per that only girls were in the adjoining out of the question. Low grades and made his heart stand still. "Don't tell me, Edith Br many weed seeds may also be used.

DAMAGED FEED FOR POULTRY

Before Buying Low-Grade Grain Make Sure That It Has Sufficient Amount of Nutriment.

Before buying low-grade or damaged rain to feed the poultry, make sure that it has enough nutriment in it to e worth the price you pay for it. Grains that are simply shrunken, if bought cheap enough, are sometimes profitable to feed; but those which are damaged in some other ways frequently are almost useless and are expensive at any price. When possible, it is well to send samples of this kind of grain to your state experiment station for examination.

EXCELLENT FOOD FOR DUCKS

Mash of Commeal and Wheat Bran Every Morning and Every Other Evening is Favored.

A good feed for the ducks, both young and old, is a mash of one part cornmeal and two parts wheat bran every morning and every other evening, and on the alternate evening a good feed of cracked corn, shrunken wheat or oats. If they can be allowed free range they will pick up considerable food around the place.

Minute by Minute.

If you had tomorrow's work along Ralph H. Wylie with the work of today, of course you would find it too hard for you. But this is just what you are doing when you worry over what is going to hap pen. No day has so many hard things Barry Bldg. AYER MASS. that we cannot bear them, but we never have strength enough at any one time to bear the worries of several days together. Live minute by minute

comes.

Narrow Collar of Girls' Suits

Look Like Fresh Nosegays.

Two advance models for misses have

tricotine, which may also be worn as

as well as a horizontal barlike pane

the blending shades of floss.

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The New Bedtime Bow.

Decorative headdresses for night

vear are reported from London as hav-

ing taken the place of boudoir caps.

SIMPLE, YET ELABORATE.

Though its lines are simple as sim-

ple can be, this distinctive afternoon

gown of blue silk is charmingly elab-

the deep armholes and appears again

Potash From Dust.

on the cuffs, besides being used for a Camp Fire Cuf-

They are known as bedtime bows.

in; says Women's Wear.

THE SNAPSHOT By NAPOLEON S. ZARICK.

per Syndicate.)

The west-bound express was side tracked-at-Ancona waiting for the east-bound train. Bruce Carman, a odak enthusiast in the first stages of the disease, had photographed every attractive view from Albany and Niagara Falls to Ancona. From the back platform, from the steps of his own car, and from the observation smoker. he had "shot" the flying landscape.

At Ancona he was standing on the last platform of the side-tracked train, as well as useful, in a much shorter and had jotted down, his photographic memoranda of snow-crowned Catskill mountains.

A shrill whistle, an oncoming roar, and the express thundered past on the main track. As it slowed up at the station Carman's train moved on, but not before he had indelibly fixed on the film of his kodak a glimpse of the back platform of the passing train. He raised his head and saw, vaguely, a girl bending over a kodak focused, apparently, on him, but before she looked up his car had rounded a curve and she was lost to view.

Carman returned to New York after several weeks, and one of his first acts was to develop his views. With the luck of the ordinary amateur, a fev of them were good, but most of them were bad. Only one view was sharp and clear. Framed by the doorway of a sleeper, a beautiful young girl looked' straight from the film into Carman's

"By Jove!" he exclaimed, "what a beauty! She must be the Ancons

The Ancona girl she was and the Ancona girl she remained for days, weeks, and even months. Carman printed the picture off and she was charming; in blueprint she was pins and are a much simpler propo beautiful, and blueprints are crucial tests of beauty; on carbon paper she was exquisite, and with each experimental printing her image penetrated deeper and deeper into Carman's heart. At last he enlarged her; or, not quite at last, for the crowning point of his folly was to frame her in silver and install her on his dressing table as mistress of his heart and posses christened, and it was in this way:

Jack Brennon ran up to Carman's to communicate some bit of personal information; wandering idly about the room, he saw the photograph, picked it up, glanced at it carelessly, then put it down. "Good photograph," he said; "amateur, of course. I didn't know you knew Edith so well. She's a jolly girl, isn't she?"

"N-no-y-yes," stammered Carman. Edith! and there was a man who knew her! But what a fool he would be to ask the name of a girl whose photograph was enshrined in the privacy of his dressing table! In a moment more Brennon was gone.

By this time Edith's photographic presentment filled Bruce Carman's life, and the entire world was merely a dense veil hiding her from him. He went to every dance and dinner, he haunted teas, hoping that he might find her. Once he was invited to a dinner to meet "My cousin, Miss Bainbridge of Toronto."

When he stood before his hostess that night his face was white and his voice hoarse with emotion.

"Edith, Mr. Carman; Miss Bainbridge, Mr. Carman," The words were spoken and Carman turned to meet her. Alas! this Edith was not his Edith, but only an elderly Scotch spinster. Carman never knew how he lived through that evening.

The winter drew to a close, and Car man was growing hopeless. Should he start out in quest of her, he asked himself? But what a hopeless quest! It was Friday, and Carman was on his way to an afternoon reception. No important food for poultry and should hope of finding her led him there, but one of his girl friends had asked him Cracked corn and oats may well to help her to entertain her guests. cent, will add variety, but wheat is room. Then he heard a name that

"Don't tell me. Edith Brennon, that you have worn his picture ever since." "Yes, I have. You can call it silly if you like, but of all the snapshots that I took, from Denver to New York, his was the only one that came out. Of course, there was a fate in that. Could anyone doubt it? It's in this very locket now, and I'll wear it until I meet him. I know I will some time,

I'm absolutely positive of that,' "Oh, how do you do, Mr. Carman? I didn't hear you come in," exclaimed the hostess. "It's awfully good of you to come so early. You know every one here, don't you? Oh, no-Miss Brennon, I want you to meet Mr. Carman. She's Jack Brennon's cousin from Denver, you know. You've heard him speak of his cousin Edith a thousand

times, haven't you?" The words flowed on in a melodious murmur. Carman heard none of them Her hand was in his and-well, of course, Cupid was on hand to complete the task it had commenced on the sidetrack at Ancona.

Accounted for It.

Charles was invited into the house of a neighbor to inspect a baby, perhaps one year younger than his own brother of whom he was proud. The neighbor, to plague him, claimed the baby superior to his brother. Charles, too loyal to admit it, too polite to dispute with his elder, remarked thoughtfully: "Well, of course it's a 1917 model."

Ant With Her Excuse.

Emily, preferring the doll her grandmother had given her to the one her mother gave her, tucked the rejected doll out of sight in a broken doll crib. Her mother asked her why she didn't play with the doll the had given her Emily looked at her mother a moment in silence, seeming to fear hurting her mother's feelings, then gave a quick

SHORT CUTS. IN MEEDLEWORK

Suppositions That. "Will Save a Few Minister I'me Are Most Welcome In These Bury Days.

Time is very above pur nowallysts, Exception of the bury. No one has ment of the factor of the same of the

use of the parsonage and an annual vacation of three weeks.

a novel embroidered touch which lends them a distinct springtime atmosphere Silk floss flowers in natural coloring embellish the right side of youthful It was some wind on Taesday and dong with minor happenings we note he removal of the large windmill rom the barn on the H. F. Whitney narrow shawl collars, looking as though fresh nosegays had been tucked A small pink carnation with foliage

Jacob M. Taylor, whose mother, a native of Harvard, was a daughter of Deacon Whitney of Old Mill, died at his home in Brighton on Monday. He Singing, "The Star Spangled Banner," is very chic on an Eton suit of navy a dress. Black satin folds are used to define the tailored shapeliness of colla? and cuffs whose curves match.

which offsets the double-breasted closing. Two flying panels, one piece above shoulder blades, give an unusual back to this Eton, for the ends of each

are finished with cord fringe.

There is a one-silled tunic on the narrow skirt which completes this model. The other, a nobby suit of navy Poiret twill, has a bluet embroid-

ered on it, tracings of silver thread simply marking the shadows cast by belt and others of larger dimensions arranged halfway between skirt secfurther promotion in the order. He is the owner of a large laundry in that city and is very successful in business. tion and bodice at center back and one at either side front on the skirt

section itself to serve as pockets, are other features that are "different." Demonstration School.

Demonstration School.

The Worcester County Farm Bureau, coöperating with the Grange, closed on Wednesday evening a two days' demonstration school, one of the best efforts desirned to bring the Worcester County farmer in closer touch with the food situation as it exists today, under war conditions. The woman's department was splendidly attended and with Mr. Dearth Miss Barnes and Mrs. Warner to demonstrate in the varie's ways to cook without sugar, wheat and near gave the women a much better near of what can really sed due in the home.

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The reason is found in the rich speakers or embroidery with which the gown is a trimmed. The embroidery is done in gay, though harmonizing, tones of blue, green, yellow and red silk. It outlines ed in feed in

large_irregular patch on each_side | The organization of Americal sented in the sented ors falls from the front at the waistand the loca stantly findle. to orga Potash From Dust.

It has been discovered that large twenty girls, same age, and the continuous of the apparation portions of the apparation for contain nortions of the apparation for the second sec quantities of the dust that accumulates in certain portions of the apparatus used in making pig iron from iron know intimate ores—that is, in the blast furnaces contains appreciable quantities of pot-

ash. The amount found depends on the kind of ore used in the blast furnace charge.

Speaking of gratitude the French
Camps have sick."

Speaking of gratitude the French government voluntarily presented sum of money. Samuel F. B. Morse with \$80,000 for in groups, to the telegraph to the world. cal charities. The

Bromfield School.

Bernard Foss of Boston with Miss Clara Carlson spent last Sunday here in town as guests of Mr. and Mrs. George C. Maynard.

Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Hill are receiving congratulations on the arrival of their first born, a baby girl.

It was some wind or Tuesday and son.

Deacon Whitney of Old Mill, died at his home in Brighton in Monday. He was a cousin of Mrs. Abby Whitney Green of Old Mill.

The family of George F. Cobb will occupy their summer home on Oak hill on Saturday. March 2, for the summer.

Owing to the icy condition of the roads on Tuesday last one, of the school barkes on the in trip capsized but without any serious results to the load of children.

Joseph Ford with Levi Gebo left this week for their military service at Camp Devens.

Percy W. Willard of New York city, formerly of this town, was elected recently at the annual convocation of the Grand Chapter of Masons held in Albany, deputy grand hixh priest. Mr. Willard is one of the most prominent Masons in New York and is in line for further promotion in the order. He is the aware of a large laundry in that

He can citizen has asked himself is this, "What can I do to help win the war?" All of us can not shoulder a gun and march away to battle, but everyone can do something to help win the war. It may be very, very small from our point of view, but we ought to think of the old, but often repeated saying:

Little drops of water. Little grains of sand, Make the mighty ocean And this pleasant and. I cannot do much, perhaps, towards

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Everyone who knows George M. Stiles will be very glad to hear that a card has been received from him, announcing his safe arrival in France. Grave fears were entertained in re-gard to his safety as it was at first school, Mrs. Arthur Turner. Mrs. Earle O. Turner and Mrs. Walter Watson.

The teachers went to Ayer last Saturday to help in the work on the questionnaires for this district.

Mid-year examinations were held on Wednesday and Thursday.

The Literary society gave the following program this week Friday: Singing. "The Star Spangled Banner."

School; essays, "Conservation of food," Mildred R. Brown and Nancy L. Harthey and Carmello Stanco, one of Mildred R. Brown and Nancy L. Harthey and Carmello Stanco, one of thought he had taken passage on the the first draftees, who left Lunenburg on September 22 for Camp Devens. He was assigned to Company D, 104th Regiment. Gerald Emerson, one of the youngest of our boys, who enlisted before he had reached the draft age, has been "somewhere in France" for several months in active service. Sev-eral letters have been received from him. Arthur Burnap, another of our boys, and a high school graduate, en-listed in England and has had active service and some very strenuous ex-Regiment, Gerald Emerson, service and some very strenuous ex-periences as driver of hospital ambu-

lances.
Winthrop N. Harley left Lunenburg on October 5 and was assigned to the 326th Infantry, and is now in training at Camp Gordon, Ga., as a sharpshooter. He is tied for the second best core in his company.

Accidentally Shot.

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Another sensation was sprung in this electric with the vicinity last week Friday afternoon when it was noised abroad that Herbert O. Mead had shot Mrs. W. R. Peabody. It was accidental, of course, and this was the way it happened. Mrs. Peabody and Miss Helen Wills. The teacher at the North school, who he ards with Mrs. Peabody, went to call con Miss Grace Russ, Mr. Mead's houseskeeper. While there and talking about how one should protect himself. Mr. Mead brought out a new revolver I to show the ladies, and at his request I cannot do much, permaps, towards seeper. The seeper winning the war, but I can "do ny about how one should protect himself bit" with all the others. The first Mr. Mead brought out a new revolver great and most important thing that I can do is to join and work for the Red Cross. The Red Cross does as much for this country as eny grantzation of this country as eny grantzation of the country as eny grantzations that I brown of the heins to take that thinking to Elestrate his policy.

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You can do your share in effecting this saving and really help to win the war by omitting white bread from one meal today and baking in its place muffins or corn bread made according to this recipe:

Corn Meal Muffins

cup corn maal cups flour teaspoon salt teaspoons Royal Baking Powder 2 tablespoons sugar 1 cup milk 2 tablespoons shortening

have accepted some invitations to sing

Mrs. Walter Shattuck is expected home from Fitchburg on Sunday, where she has been for several days.

Mrs. N. S. Appleton has been in Boston this week on Special Aid work

and also attended a meeting of the

Miss Lillian Holmes is with Miss Mary L. P. Shattuck.

February 22nd was colonial night at

and quite a number

Colonial Dames.

Sift dry ingredients together into bowl; add milk and melted shortening and beat well. Bake in greased muffin tins in hot oven about 20 minutes. Same batter may be baked as combread in greased shallow pan.

Our new Red, White and Blue booklet, "Best War Time Recipes," containing many other recipes for making delicious and wholesome wheat saving foods mailed free-address ROYAL BAKING POWDER CO., DEPT. H., 135 William St., New York

FOOD WILL WIN THE WAR

Saturday, March 2, 1918,

PEPPERELL

News Items.

Mrs. Silas Nokes spent the weekend with her husband in West Acton. where Mr. Nokes and Mr. McNayr are loading wood on the cars for James Dunn. The men are boarding with Mrs. Taylor, where Mrs. Nokes knows they are well cared for.

up a small portion of the day.

Bert Blood and Miss Elizabeth Messer were married on Monday afternoon at the Methodist parsonage by Rev. W. H. Beers. The bride wore a navy blue traveling suit with hat to match. After the wedding a reception was given the bridal couple at the home of Frank Messer, after which Mr. and Mrs. Blood took the four o'clock train. Mr. Blood recently bought a cottage on Leighton street, to which he has made extensive repairs, adding more rooms, a bathroom and hardwood floors. Mr. and Mrs. Blood have been neighbors for Mrs. Blood have been neighbors for a long time. Mr. Blood has been con-nected with the Boston and Maine service and is having a leave of ab-

sence.

A Washington's birthday party was held at the home of Mrs. Bessie Allen, Cottage street, in honor of her small son Maurice. Ten little schoolmates were present and enjoyed themselves in singing patriotic songs, playing games and eating ice cream and cake.

MR and Mrs. Frank Dutton and son have been spending a little while with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lakin. They returned to their home in South Portland, Me., on Tuesday

Two of our boys reported at Camp Devens on Tuesday—Thomas Allen and Frank West.

and Frank West,

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Hill, of Billerica, with their children, came on last week Thursday for a holiday and week-end stay with his sister, Mrs. Lyman Robbins, of Pleasant street. When the family returned home little Ada was left for a jonger stay with her aunt.

reported Monday morning as usual at her position as bookkeeper for I, J. Rowell. Having a cold she thought she would wear it away, but on Wedday marning she was so ill father's, Ingalls Kittredge, that a physician was called, who pronounces it to be laryngitis. At last report she was improving.

Because of the illness of one of the members of the Mervie Players Com they have been obliged to can eir engagement with the Woni cel their engagement with the Wom-nn's club to entertain on Children's day, March 5. The committee for that day very fortungtely have been able to engage two other artists who are very successful in giving children's en-tertainments: these being Miss Isa-belle Taylor, who tells stories, and Rudolph Nettle, who gives funny in-efections and humorous selections ons and humorous selections the violin; one of these, "The upion fiddler of Aroosteck Counchampion fiddler of Arossieck County," being especially amissing. The entertainment will be given in the vestry at the town hall at 2 15. Tuesday, March 5. All children of fifteen and under will be admitted free of charge. There will be a small admission for others charge. There was son fee for others.

sion fee for others.

The town hall was brightly lighted on hes week Friday night. The occasion was a military whist party under the auspices of the Unitarian church. There were people enough to have at interesting evening, with twelve tables in use. Rev. D. R. Child won the prize for men, a billfold. Mrs. O. M. Nash the prize for women, a kulturg bracelet. Het corea and faincy crackers were served.

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The traveling has been so bad that finds of fest vities at Oak hill have

then suspended.

On Monday hight a surprise party was held at the home of Arthur Bartlett, Main street. The surprise was arranged for hy the place all members of the Methadist church for Mrs. Bartlett, and she never was so surprised in her life. The inceptors were Rev, and Mrs. W. H. Beers. After maste and social time hot coco and cookies were served, and when the guests went away they left as a pleasant cominder of the evening a dainty china cream set.

Raymond Paull was in town over the holiday with his parents and left on Sunday for Newport, R. L.

Candlemas day for another nap as on Washington's birthday it was from 18 to 24 below zero according to the location.

Mrs. Mary Cuthbertson, who is nursing at Mr. Farley's on High street, went to Fitchburg over Sunday to visit her daughter, Mrs. P. J. Tierney, both formerly of this town. Mr. Tierney

Worcester.

Charles Parker is keeping a fire in the basement of the public library, as the dampness that collects in concrete would go through the building and do much damage.

The Girl Society are doing to the collection of the public library and do much damage.

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The George Herrig bouse on the corner of Lowell and Railroad streets, has been purchased by W. A. Frummey for a home and will be occupied about the first of April.

Mr. and Mrs. George Francis Mar-tin and little daughter Frances, of Worcester, were with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Shaw, Pleasant street, over the holiday.

The farmers living in the vicinity of the South road who were sending their milk to Cambridge, suddenly found themselves without a market, as Mr. Hamilton with whom they dealt had passed away. The farmers were told that Boston was flooded with milk." In the meantime these farmers were being flooded with milk. On Thursday, February 21, George Maynard went to Boston and found a customer for some, a Mr. Martin of Cambridge.

E. M. Stuart, who has been acting The farmers living in the vicinity of

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Tuesday, Febuary 26, found the sleighing gone, all teamsters being on

Mrs. Nellie Gutterson of High street was in-Worcester last week.

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The D. A. R. held a meeting with Mrs. E. L. Tarbell on Washington's birthday. While not all could get there, because of weather conditions, those who did go felt amply repaid. After the regular duties were performed Mrs. Anna C. S. Woodsworth gave readings, Mrs. Bert Durant filled in with patriotic graphophone selections and Little Miss Elinor Grenache gave three pieces wonderfully well.

Hale Jordan is just recovering from

There will be an adjourned meeting of the Pepperell District Nurse associating at the home of Mrs. E. L. Tarbell on Monday evening at 7.45. Business, to consider an amendment to the large by laws.

A postnoned meeting of the Unitary in parish was held this week Friday

Mrs. Taces, of West Groton, is wi Eugene Fletcher, helping care for I mother.

Mrs. Lizza (Parket) Carkins at Mrs. Lizz. (Parket) Carkins and two daughters, Misses Ellen and Controller, of Ayer, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin, Parker, Oak hill, Wednesday, leaving on Thursday, Mr. Carkins, has moved his furniture from Ayer to Worcester, where the family will tidn him.

All the stores in town begin the Thursday half-hodday rest week Mr and Mrs. Warren Blood were their camp in Dunstable on last we Penier through the lee

The sportship of the town seen gate eitheriastic over the annotation, for hanting by mooting some of the boys have been several times lately, but so far the or your reporter has he ard of he ming home a fox is Fred Benner who succeeded in getting of a a lights ago no near the old country of the midning to having about the world seems to be having about its income, of the how, as it is no home one every once a white in-home one every once a white

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Mrs. Frank Kodbeck, who recently
one from New York, was with he
rents, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson
ver Sunday. Mr. Kaulbeck is on the . week-end S. Transport Covington

A letter has been received by P. J. Hayes which gratefully acknowledge, the receipt of \$122.75 from the england of Pepperell for the Halifax relief further. lief fund.

Fire Luncheon.

The East Village Social club will meet next week with Mrs. Edward Johnson. The subject will be "Peace The Farm Bureau of Walthan wrote a short time ago to D. L. Whit marsh, appointing him and Mrs. John L. Boynton as assistant for this town

The Girl Sounts are doing Red Cresswork and have two quilts in course of construction. One is being made of a knitted squares and the other is squared. They will soon have a gair I ing at Catherine Hobart's. The direction practising some new music and

No-License Rally.

The town hall was well filled last Sunday night and many were standing in the back of the room when the chairman, Frank H. Wright, called the meeting to order and called op Rev. J. B. Lewis to offer prayer. There was a short musical program under the direction of Miss Elizabeth Wright. The Girl Scouts and Camp Fire Girls had several soms which were well received. An orchestra of seven pieces helped materially. Someone has called this the "Pepi" or chestra. Short and pithy addresses were made by Principal D. L. Whitmarsh of the high school, Supt. A. R. Paull, Charles H. Miller, Ots A. Merrill, Charles A. MacGraw, Rev. D. R. Child, Rev. W. H. Beers and fiev. J. B. Lewis.

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He spoke of the evening and cellved as strong address and only concern in our country today was to win the war, and it might take until 1925 to do it. He spoke of liquor as the greatest foe of the soldier and only concern in our country today was to win the war, and it might take until 1925 to do it. He spoke of liquor as the greatest foe of the soldier and only concern in our country today was to win the war, and it might take until 1925 to do it. He spoke of liquor as the greatest foe of the soldier and only concern in our country today was to win the war, and it might take until 1925 to do it. He spoke of liquor as the greatest foe of the soldier and only concern in our country today was to win the war, and it might take until 1925 to do it. He spoke of liquor as the greatest foe of the soldier and only concern in our country today was to win the war, and it might take until 1925 to do it. He sp Colonial Dames.

Because of the bad walking of last week the Mt. Lebanon branch of the Red Cross did not meet, but on this week Wednesday a meeting was held with Mrs. Warren Fuller. While working on the kits the ladies were pleasantly surprised by a call from Rev. J. E. Lewis.

because of the strong prohibition sentiment which has been sweeping the country, the growing conviction of business men that license was not good business. Letters to voters from the Massachusetts Committee of Public Safety and from the local No-License committee helped some, and no doubt the falling out of the liquor men among themselves had its influence.

If no-license is undertaken as a war measure it will so commend itself to the voters that they will never wish to return to license after the war. And yety likely before then the whole nation will have declared for realists. making the majority for no-license so large. The result was obtained also because of the strong prohibition sen-timent which has been sweeping the

very likely before then the whole na-tion will have declared for prohibi-tion. So that after May 1 Pepperell of her other friends went to Nashua on Wednesday to see Georgianna Maynard, and found her sitting up.

Mrs. Betsy Winn had a relapse on To the Editor:
Thursday night and is very feeble.

To the Editor:

The writer has been wondering for some time if we, as a town's people, have given the fuel situation for the coming year a reasonable amount of thought. From his standpoint, the future_looks more serious than the past year, and we all know the inconvenience that we have had to go through on account of being short of fuel.

May L. Y. Shausuca.

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winter to take care of our require-ments as we have done during the present winter. Rainsford Deware.

Annual Election.

The annual election of officers for he town occurred on Monday and was argely attended, there being 476 votes ust no women voting. There was no ntest except, on, selectman and limited from by a good majority, and the dicense majority was much larger in the most sanguine had expected, south it had generally been expected. Charles T. Williams of this town as a state position looking after state ough it had generally been expect-

the town would vote no. Last the yes vote was nearly 100 in rity, and to carry the town by required a change of over 200 figures being given only where was a contest:

The officers elected are as follows being given only where was a contest:

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Addion Woodward; selectman, Addion Woodward; selectman, J. Gardiner Willey 254, A. Johnson 202; assessor, three Willis C, Perry; school committere years, Harry F, Hobart; detroit son; cemetery commissioner, large George H, Shattuck; was are its construction of the years of the years John H, only construction of the years John H, The usual meeting was held at their The usual meeting was held at their rooms on Saturday afternoon, February 23. The matter of the "property had" came before the meeting and deta's in regard to same were given by a guest. Mrs. Hurd. These bars are to be lively inches when finished, and to of shingles were blown off of an alm tree near M. A. Farnsworth's house and a lot of shingles were blown off of the used. Please leave the cloth at the shirly are promised; may be used. Please leave the cloth at the cottage vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Heley on the brick yard land. They are working in the artillery practice, the invited for the tree set to work the tree set to will be revealed at a concert in the work in the room of the plazar roof on Capt. Drury's cottage places of material, cretonne or gingham, to make the pillow covers. The standard size is 10x15 inches, but tree near M. A. Farnsworth's house and a lot of shingles were blown off of an alm tree near M. A. Farnsworth's house and a lot of shingles were blown of C. H. Haskell's house.

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BOXBOROUGH

Pennemaquan Camp Fire gave theon in honor of Miss Doris well at the Methodist parsonage ings well at the Methodist parsonage saturday evening at 6.30. Coral was used as the color scheme, the was decorated with a basket rame a coral pink begonia twinnish roses and tiny white bells, which streamers extended to each. The place cards, bearing a trie pink cupid, whose uplifted held the ends of the streamers, so the Camp Fire names of the Around the basket rested were irrer cupids.

And the place cards with the basket rested were irrer cupids.

White chair for the guest of hones twined with white roses and known the dining foom by the hostess and the dining foom by the hostess and the girls standing around the lighted only by the soft the candles, the surprise was father, keene. Mrs. Grace Potter spent the holi-ay and week-end with relatives in

Andrea Walker has gone to Wor relatives in Spencer. Eugene Smith took his examina-

out the color scheme of pink, consist.

At the last meeting of the Red ing of shrimp wiggle, mashed potato and saltines, with ice cream served to the color with strawberries and nuts. A huger with the bridal cake, decorated with pink bells and bearing the announcement of the approaching wedding, ment of the approaching wedding. February 27, was placed before the brida.

After dinner jokes were indulged in as the girls finished their dessert. A social hour followed the luncheon, at the close of which the bride was presented with a salad speam and pickle fork as gifts from the Camp Fire.

No.License Rally.

Roll of Honor.

The following list is Boxborough's roll of honor:

Florence E. Salmon.

One candidate has appeared in the field—Royal T. Wetherbee. Be sure and get that application in for the next meeting. March 8, so that the committee can do its part properly. The first and second degrees will be conferred on April 12; also, official inspection by the State Grange deputy on this date.

Compare to the meeting on March 8.

Come to the meeting on March 8 and help decrease the bumper cornerop in various ways, led by Ceres in songs and eats. A reader from the Emerson College of Oratory will also be present and render several numbers. You will be sorry if you miss this meeting.

Our popular stage driver. Mr. Mc-Cleery, has had the misfortune to lose two valuable horses this past winter, the second one receiving an injury last week which necessitated his removal

On Sunday morning the Congress pastors' bureau in Boston.

The meeting of the Woman's club on Monday will be observed as Red Cross day by the club. It is expected that there will be speakers from the medical staff of camp Devens.

Still River.

The high wind of Tuesday took off

A lot of soldiers are staying in the cottage vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Heeley on the brick yard land. They are working in the artillery practice, looking after the targets, etc. Mr. Viles is making gains in his recovery from pneumonia, but is still confined to his house.

Over 500 cords of wood have been shipped from Still River to Worcester this month and it is expected as much more will be shipped.

WESTFORD

Center.

It was good news to his home people and friends that Harold W. Hildren Last week with the Percy family in Watertown.

Grace Patter seem of the control of th The local Red Cross will meet un-til further notice on Tuesday evenings and Wednesday afternoons at the library.

In tropical climes a cocoanut sup-plied all the requirements of a lamp. The divided shell was the receptacle for the cocoanut oil, and the fibre cov-

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The Lily of the Valley Troop was asked to assist in distributing food conservation cards at the home in Shirley. Girl Scouts are always glad to help the community and country at large and this was only another opportunity to live up to their promise "To do my duty to God and to my country."

The Brownie Scouts, with Mrs. Ellsworth as captain, would be very glad to receive contributions of cloth of any color and texture for snipping filling for soldiers' comfort pillows They would also be glad to receiv

when the musical geniuses of Groton will be revealed at a concert in the town hall that evening for the benefit of the Girl Scouts. The troops of Groton, White Rose and Fleur-de-lls, will sing songs at this concert. A special rehearsal of scout songs will be held on Saturday

Miss Josephine Morse has been chosen dairy examiner for the pro-ficiency badge awarded to Girl Scouts who pass the test. The requirement for it are as follows:

Know how to test cows milk

such as cleaning pans, steriliz ing utensils, etc.
5. Know how to feed, kill and dress poultry.
6. Test five cows for ten days each with Babcock test and make proper

Forge Village

The Golden-rod Troop has the honor of being the first-scout troop in the federation to fill its thrift card with money saved from weekly dues. An-

commissioned this week to exchange the card for a five dollar war savings

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