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The Northern Lights or Auroral Borealis created unusual interest in the heavens last week, especially on Thursday evening, when the red rays in particular gave a most beautiful brilliancy as they blended with the yellow, and white in semi-circular bands from horizon to horizon.

Grade schools closed yesterday the usual spring vacant was the outcome. At the matter than the property of the little was the outcome. At the next meeting two candidates will be initiated.

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The C. E. society met Thursday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Coddington.

William Coddington.

Union services will be held at the Universalist church Sunday morning at eleven. Sunday school at 12.15. The pastor. Res. W. P. Farnsworth, will take for his subject, "The power will take for his subject, "The power supports of the subject,"

The pastor. Rea. W. P. Farnsworth, will take for his subject. "The power of the unseen." Preaching services in the evening seven.

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pital at Fitchbars.

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per held Wednesday evening at the number held Wednesday evening at the number followed given by men from a Camp Devens and local talent.

Camp Devens and local talent.

It is expected that a service flag in memory of the boys in service from this town will be raised on the town flag pole on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock, under the auspices of Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R. Public ordially invited to be present. Prominent speakers will be in attendance.

Mrs. Zelia Richardson of Lapaceter. Mrs. Zella Richardson of Lancaster road is reported as being very ill with the measles and Leonard Jubb with

Dana Sanderson has started work as a conductor on the Lowell division of the Fitchburg and Leominster railway. Adelard Hamal was arrested at the Adelard Hamal was arrested at the Ayer station on Sunday night charged with giving liquor to a soldier. The arrest was made by the military police and he was arraigned before Deputy interde-



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### BOXBOROUGH

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and all other young men of the town and all other young men of the town are requested to attend a meeting which is to be held at the vestry on Sunday afternoon at three o'clock. The main topic for discussion will be "Our obligations in the present crisis to our community and country." Do not fail, be sure to come.

### **HARVARD**

Instead of the debate scheduled for the meeting of the Woman's club on Monday, Miss Anna T. Bristol will speak on the activities of the Girls' club in Ayer, of which she is resident worker. There will also he a demand worker. There was been been by the Home Economics club of Harvard, a branch of the Massachusetts Agricultural college, and under the supervision of the Worcester der the supervision County Farin Bureau

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On last Saturday evening Mr. and Mrs. Wendell Willard gave a birthday party for their daughter Ruth. The cuests were Bernice Walker, of Still River, and Irene Price, Elia Price, Albert Brown, Albert Rockwood, Percy Brown and Ralph Price, of Lunenburg. Two cakes, with lighted candles, were on the table as Ralph was also celebrating his birthday. The table decorations were pussy-willows and jonquils. Unique place cards made by Vera Willard caused much mirth.

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### CARD OF THANKS

Allow me to express my appreciation of the chivairy of the mer, who so generous's cut and drew the wood for me last wiel. Though my brother, who is voint! It doing "his bit" in the Navy, or miself only thought to persuad some of those not in the service to allow as to hire them. SUSID H. SHATTUCK conner and Nonager of Baddacock Farm ciubil Groton, Mass., March 14, 1918

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Saturday, March 16, 1918.

#### WESTFORD

Weather conditions last Sunday were pretty unfavorable for the first of the series of union services at the of the series of union services at the Unitarian church. A fair audience was present, however, and Mr. Buckshorn gave his hearers a good sermon, Car service in Lowell was such that the church organist was unable to come and services were held in the parlors. On account of the storm there was no evening service at the Congregational church. Congregational church.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Bosworth and baby son are staying in Lebanon, N. H., at the home of the former's moth-er, for several weeks.

April 5 is the date scheduled for the concert and ball at the town hall, under the auspices of Co. L. M. S. G. Poole's orchestra, seven pieces, of Boston, will furnish the music. This is being looked forward to as one of the pleasant social events of a quiet begson.

A. Hanscom, a real

"The scarecrow."

Mrs. John Burbeck observed Friday of this week, her eightleth birthday anniversary, with plans for a family dinner party at noon with her children and their families, and in the afternoon from three until four o'clock, received other relatives, friends and callers. Mrs. Burbeck is public market as a stock company, by farmers. He was emphatic for the state of keeps bury in her pleasant. dinner party at noon with her childidrem and their families, and in the afternoon from three until four o'clock, received other relatives, friends and callers. Mrs. Burbeck is well and eaps busy in her pleasant well and eaps busy in her pleasant how the Brook farm, shared with nor two daughters, Misses Grace and Mary Burbeck. There are three sons, Will. Ell and Fred Burbeck. Mrs. Burbeck is one of that interesting for Mr. and Mrs. Ell Tower. Of this group Mrs. Frances Prescott and Mrs. Ell Tower. Of this group Mrs. Frances Prescott and Mrs. Charles Pickering helped to celebrate her anniversary. In rounding out these eighty years of balanced and successful living, Mrs. Burbeck has the happy felicitations and good wishes of her family clred and of many friends, who wish her continued good health and other happy birthdays.

A prize-speaking contest scheduled for about the middle of April, more definite notice of which will be given later, is under preparation.

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At the meeting of the Tadmuck club on Monday afternoon, at the Unitarian church, the program will be in charge of the music commutes and destructures as "tubes," Both thought boys on the farm' was discussed by Stephen will be an organ recital by Miracalosh by Mrs. Perley E. Blatey. An additional attraction, through the courtesy of the W. C. T. Underschool spell, ever Sanday at their homes in discussed the Mrs. Sydna at their homes in discussed at the Mrs. Sydna at their homes in discussed at the program and the town of the Mrs. Sydna at their homes in discussed at the program and the standars of the town and having to return to their Westford again agent in Boston, whose sale mission is to secure help for Vermont to return to their Westford again at the telephone exchange during Mrs. Frenke Prescott is helping and the telephone sevalance

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Private funeral services were held Private funeral services were held from her late home last Sunday after-noon at two o'clock, Rev. Howard A. Lincoln officiating. The hearers were George A., Herbert, Arthur G. and Albert Walker. The body was placed in the tomb at Fairview cemetery. There were many beautiful floral of-ferings.

About Town.

Hon, George J. Burns, of Ayer, visited at the Old Oaken Bucket farm on Wednesday and delightfully entertained with reminiscences of his early home, which is across Stony Brook from the Old Oaken Bucket farm. Besides reminiscences of Westford, his native town, and Ayer, his long-time from the Oly his return route to Ayer he took the trail of the Stony Brook road, past the home of his birthplace, thence to the electrics at the unstable road.

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The Bay State Electric road, now in the hands of a receiver, has received permission to discontinue 140 miles of track on grounds of "not paying" apparatus. Several bills now pending before the legislature, if passed, will allow the towns on the line of these roads to contribute any deficiency.

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The Misses Margaret and Mary Haley, who have been spending the winter with their cousin, Postmaster Daniel Haley, in Chelmsford Center, have returned to their home on the Stony Brook road for the summer season.

A pathetic circumstance in connection with the death of Mrs. Caronine M. Walker last week. was the death at about the same time of an aged sister in Lynn.

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Boston, will furnish the music. This is being looked forward to as one of the pleasant social events of a quiet season.

The Nashobah Camp Fire Girls, Mrs. John P. Wright, guardian, and Miss Edna Day, assistant guardian, held their first ceremonial meeting on Thursday, with Mrs. J. S. Strong, of Ayer, in attendance.

A beautiful bunch of white carnations, in memory of Oliver J. Pyne, graced the union service Sunday, placed by loving relatives.

The reading circle under the auspices of the literary and library extension committee of the Tadmuck club, met at the home of Mrs. Howard A. Lincoln, Monday afternoon. Continuing the reading of "Modern contemporary dramatics," the class read Percy Mackaye's three-act drama. "The scarecrow."

Mrs. John Burbeck observed Friday of this week, her eightleth birthday in many ways. This system follows the pleased wires covering 16,000 miles. This precipitated a lively dis-

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to remain over night.

Mrs. Freida Prescott is helping out at the telephone exchange during Mrs. Bosworths absence.

Perley E. Wright fell from a load of wood last week Thursday and suffered a bad shaking up and cuts and bruises.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright spent last week in Boston, thereby making it that the large farms. With some exceptions the large farms with some exceptions the large farms outed the largest refarm."
Mr. Abbott of the Middlesex Count

assisted with the service. After the service Mr. Fisher was cordially greeted by his former parishioners.

ed by his former parishioners.

Miss Carolyn Putnam Webber will give her final lecture on food conservation in Abbot hall on Thursday evening, March 21. Large numbers have attended these lectures weekly and have prolited by the demonstration given on the use of cornmeal and other wheat substitutes. The women who have followed the course are planning to hold a food sale on the articles that have been taught by Miss Webber. The affair will be followed by a dance for the benefit of the Red Cross. The arrangements will be made by Mrs. John Edwards and Miss Elizabeth Plummer.

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The schools of the town closed or Friday for the spring vacation of

Charles T. Brooks, of City Point. Va., has been spending the past few days with friends in this vicinity. During his brief stay here he sold his cottage house and land on the Westford road to Arthur Brisson, who has housely for a home. ought for a home.

Word has been received from John J. Provost, who states that he likes his new position in Washington. D. C., very much. Arthur Healy, a chum of his, is associated with him in the Quartermaster's department, which makes it pleasant for both of them. makes it pleasant for both of them.

The members of Cameron circle, C.

F. of A., held their regular meeting in their rooms on Thursday night with a good attendance.

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Mrs. Edward Defoe, who has been ill at the Lowell General hospital for the past three weeks, returned to her home here last Monday.

Part of the C. G. Sargent Sons machine shop here is now running all night.

At the first mass in St. Catherine's church last Sunday morning the members of the Holy Name society turned out in large numbers to receive holy communion in a body, and after the second mass the members of the Woman's Sodality held their regular meeting.

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To the helrs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of VERNAL BARBER late of Townsend in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to ABBIE A. BARBER of Townsend in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond.

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

And the 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.

Witness, Charles J. Melntire, Esquire, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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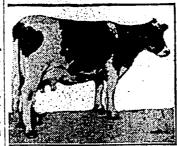


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Essential Functions-Records Are Lacking.

The essential functions of the dairy cow are milk production and repro-duction. According to L. W. Wing, Jr. of the Missouri College of Agriculture the most accurate methods of determining these are:

(1) Milk production by means of the milk scales and the Babcock test; (2) Reproduction by breeding records. There is only a small proportion of the cows used for dairy purposes on which such records are kept. This ne-



Champion Dairy Cow.

cessitates the employment of some other method of selection. In the breeding of high producing animals several generations it has through been observed that there are certain characteristics of the conformation which are correlated with large pro-These characteristics are namely: (1) Extreme angular form, carrying no surplus flesh, but in good physical condition. (2) Prominent development of the udder and veins. (3) The symmetrical development of the barrel with large capacity. After one becomes familiar with these external characteristics it is possible to select cows producing 800 pounds of fat per year from those producing 150 pounds. The difficulty comes in picking the animal that will produce 500 pounds of fat per year compared to the one pro-

ing 400 pounds. The selection of animals by this method is rather uncertain. Until records are kept of more animals or some other means devised for selection, the selection by type should be used and it is up to everyone interested in dairy cattle to become familiar with it.

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TWO COMBINATIONS ARE POOR

Good Cow in Hands of Unintelligent Dairyman is Most Undesirable Dairy Proposition.

A good cow in the hands of a poor dairyman is a poorer proposition than a poor cow in the hands of a good dairyman. Both are very poor comwill not keep a poor cow more than

STRONG FENCING FOR STOCK

Where This Improvement Has Been Overlooked There is Sure to Be Trouble in Herds.

Remember that it takes a good strong fence to hold the cows and calves apart during the long winter is lacking there is sure to be trouble the things for which you fight."

Happiness.

I used to think it was great to disre gard happiness, to press to a high gonl careless, disdainful of it. But now careiess, disdainful of see there is nothing so capable of happiness-week, for three successive there is public spirit, a news-bed in Ayer, the last public one day, at least, before and by delivering or mailing the interested in the estate at least before said Court, this twenty-of February in the year one hundred and eighteen.

F. M. ESTY, Register. see there is nothing so great as to be capable of happiness-to pluck it out of each moment, and, whatever happens, to find that one can ride as gay and buoyant on the angry, menacing tumultuous waves of life as on thos that glide and glimmer under a clear sky; that it is not defeat and wretch edness which comes out of the storm of adversity, but strength and calm

## THE WAR, THE FARM AND THE FARMER

er has been the man who suffers most\_from\_war.--All that he poss esses lies out of doors in plain sight, and is spoil of war-his house, his grain, his livestock. But the farmer is the only thing which will make and keep him free either a warrior or a serf. He is sometimes the last to heat up; but he stays hot, and in a long fight he is always found sturd. lly carrying the battle across No Man's Land to the foe, in the last grim struggle.

This war was at first hard to understand. No armed foe invaded the United States. The night skies were not reddened by the burning byres and farmsteads of America. No raiding parties harried us of our cattle or horses. No sabre-rattlers insulted our women. We did not then know that a monster had arisen with a thousand arms, who could reach across the seas and take from us threefourths of everything we grew without our being aware of it, and who could follow up his robbery with invasion, subjugation and national death.

What the Imperial German govern ment offered the farmers of America in its ruthless submarine warfare was not the loss of profits, but slavery to the saber-rattlers of Potsdam, by murdering the people who take our products to market. By all the laws of civilized warfare commerce under a neutral flag was free from any hindrance except the legal interference justified by war; but the Germans not only stopped merchant vessels, they sunk them without warning and without trace.

Having the right, according to the laws of war, to take the sea with his fleet and fight the thing out gun to gun, but being afraid to do so for fear he might lose his fleet, or unable to stop the selling of our pro ducts to his enemies or to open his own ports to us by fair means, he declared his intention to do it by the foulest methods ever resorted to in war.

To have submitted would have cost us dear in prosperity; but that would have been the least of our loss. By so doing we should have accepted degradation. We should have accepted, at the behest of a half crazed autocrat in Europe, a lower standard of living in America. We should have basely yielded up our birthright as Americans. Peace at such a price would not be peace, but only a preparation for a future revolt against subjugation Better any sort of war better war forever than that!

This, then, is the war in which we are fighting. Whenever the time comes for new sacrifices, let us remember that we fight not only for the liberty of the Belgians, the French, the Servians, the Rusthe slans, the British, the Montenegrius, the Roumanians, the Italians, but of all nations, even of the German people themselves; and most of all, our own liberties-for our freedom today! There is loss and sacrifice in the war; but there would have been far more in accepting the Gerterms. We should have lost more in money than we shall spend in the war; and something far more precious than money-our souls!

This is the crucial year of the war. Our soldiers-hundreds of thousands of them-are in the trenches, and a million more are ready to go. The whole burden of carrying on our own part in the war, and of aiding our sister nations in arms, rests on the United States every cent we can raise and scrape ogether belongs to the Treasury, that our boys may come back to us victorious. We can whip the Germans, not with the money in our pockets or our bank accounts, but with what we put into the Treasury in subscriptions to Liberty Bonds!

Never since the Turks threatened to overwhelm Europe, perhaps not even then, was the world in such danger as now. Germany is not yet defeated. We must defeat her this year. We must withhold nothing from the support of the war. We must give our sons. We must bring forth food in abundance , multiplying our labor to that end. We must give into the Treasury of the United States, in subscriptions to Liberty

Bonds, every cent we can spare. This summer the support of the war is up to the farmers; and Uncle Sam has never called upon the farmers in vain.

WHY WE FIGHT.

"You are called into this great service of your country not only for the purpose of maintaining the ideals for which America has always stood -democracy and freedom, and to keep the torch of Liberty burning throughout the world-but also for this mere immediate object, the pro tection of our national rights and the democratic institutions handed down to us as the result of the valor and menths, and where this improvement blood of our ancestors. Those are From Secretary McAdoo's Addr to Men of the National Army.

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## A Slight Mistake

By CORA-FARLEY WHITTIER

(Copyright, 1918, Western Newspaper Union. Mr. Mark Seaton, driving the most classy automobile in Hopeton, passed the pretty home of Mrs. Eunice Blair, made a courteous movement towards his cap and bowed politely. Mrs. Blair.

fluttered, smiled and returned the

He was a well-preserved bachelor of thirty and the richest man in-town. was his junior by some five years. She had married a man of forty when only twenty-one, and when he died he left on her hands his daughter. Valerie. by a former wife, almost as old as his wife. Mr. Blair had left both comfortably provided for. They had settled down at Hopeton, Valerie to become the frivolous flirtatious belle of the village, the widow allowing her stepdaughter the freedom and independence which she should have been prudent enough to use rationally.

Eunice had never loved Gregory when she married him, but she respect ed him and was a dutiful helpmeet When Mark Seaton began to call at the Blair home there abruptly came to her spirit a conviction that she could be very happy with such a man.

"I have chosen my fate," said Valerie one day to her closest girl friend "so I will whisper a name and you can guess-Mark Seaton."

Valerie was deft and attractive in the way she treated her admirers. She was selfish, too, and capable of leading on an adorer in a fascinating way that had lured many a young man to disappointment.

Mark Seaton was a shy, simple-minded man, not much used to the ways of womankind, and apparently rather flattered at the attention Valerie bestowed upon him.

"I just met Mr. Seaton," spoke Va lerie, appearing from the street and joining her mother on the porch. "Yes, he just passed the house," ob-

served Mrs. Blair. "He stopped his machine and fairly

insisted that I should take a drive across country, but I have that troublesome party dress to make." Valerie swept into the house with

her usual empresslike air. Mrs. Blair drew back in her chair and a shadow crossed her fair brow. Then she sighed and then she went to her own room, closed the door and as she sat down musingly by the window a tear or two fell from her clear, kindly

"He is too good a man for Valerie," she said to herself. "If only the girl would understand and appreciate him! If I thought she would, it would not seem so hard to me. It is clear that Valerie has made some impression upon him, for he seems glad to seize upon any excuse to join her on the street and to come here. Ah, me!"

A little half sob ended the mystify ing soliloguy and then Mrs. Blair shook off the sadness that was beginning to oppress her, and went about her house hold duties with her usual briskness.

"Mr. Seaton made a queer suggestion to me," remarked Valerie to her stepmother a day or two later.

"What was, that?" inquired Mrs.

"He asked me how you felt towards him. Don't you see, he is probably getting ready to pop the question and wonders if you might object."

"I am in harmony with anything that conduces to your happiness," assured the widow.

That same evening Valerie broke forth in high dudgeon.

"I'll teach him a lesson!" she told her mother vindictively. "Here it is only three days from the dance at Brampton and he has never even referred to it. He just told me he was going to call this evening. Well he won't find me here. A little judicious discipline will give him some train-

"Don't trifle with the honest affections of a good man, Valerie," said Mrs. Blair.

"A little indifference will make him all the more anxious to win me," retorted Valerie. "I'll teach him a lesson, and, mark me, before another day is over he will be around with an invitation to the dance, for I hinted that I wished to go.'

. A true prophet was Valerie. She had not been gone ten minutes that eve ning when Mr. Seaton appeared. To the surprise of Mrs. Blair he did not manifest the least disappointment when he learned that Valerie was not at home. The widow set about enter taining him as best she might. Finally his constrained manner changed, a if he was about to free his mind of a

"Mrs. Blair," he said, "I wonder if I may hope for company to the dance Saturday evening." "I am sure Valerie would be delight-

ed to go," she began, when he inter-

rupted her.
"Oh, I was not thinking of her," he said quickly.

"Who, then?" "Yourself, Mrs. Blair," continued Mr. Seaton to his astonished auditor. "I must speak out. I have sought every excuse possible to be in your company, but wondered if you cared for me. You must have noticed. Dear lady, may I hope that you will accept my addresses?"

Spoken like a man, and answered as a woman in love only can, with trepidation, but a beaming face told that a great happiness had come to Eunice

Average Accidents. Women are always the first to be called upon wherever and whenever an accident occurs. The average man is indeed, only too glad to do what he can, but he doesn't know what to do. Nine times out of ten the only help he can render is to rush to a telephone and call a doctor or ambulance to the scene, and he certainly deserves the highest praise for such commendable work, but the average woman has it in her to help materially at such a time. Exchange.

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Not only Cherult, but many other French dressmakers, have lent their ear to making a pronounced fashlon out of silver tissue. Two years ago, observes a prominent writer, we grew excessively weary of evening gowns made of superimposed pleces of tulle on a metallic foundation, and when the hought of silver and gold tissue presents itself as a fashion, we turn away from it in a petulent manner.

But wait! This revival of a coat of mail for women, the warrior's uniform of ancient days which no modern fight er would touch, is another and a more pleasing thing than the evening gown of metallic cloth.

Entire tunics, in the twelfth century fashion, are made of tarnished silver dropped from neck to knees, or longer, over skirts of blood red or midnight blue satin or velvet. Except for the costliness of the material, the tunics have all the simplicity of primitive dressing. Their introduction into the early spring fashions has brought about a quantity of silver used in every way. Mme. Simone of the Theater An-

toine in Paris, is wearing, I hear, a wonderful gown which is being copied for this country. It is of silver cloth faced with red, hanging in panels or the ground over a slim, tight skirt that clings to the figure as she walks. The warrior-like corsage is embroidered



This is just the suit for the girl who is going gunning for beaux, for it is well equipped with holster pockets. Of course she won't need a gun. The whole effect of this tasty costume is one of readiness for sport. It is fashloned of durable lade dress corduroy that will stand up under the severest usages. A collar faced with French blue satin and Norfolk straps on the jacket complete the costume.

Fancy Coatees for House. Very becoming over a black or some dark-hued frock is a black chiffon

cloth or marquisette coatee pouching in sackilke manner just above a high whistline and edged with the whitest and filmlest swansdown.

Silk Jersey Jumpers.

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Music's Effects.

Children, the young and the vigorous, are more resistant or find more pleasure in noises than do the older and less healthy. Martial music to incite health, Martia

#### " TOWNSEND

Center.

At the meeting of the Townsend Hill improvement society held last week Thursday evening only eleven ware present on account of the storm. An interesting meeting was held, however, a very practical paper on "Hooverialing" being given by Mrs. Stanley McNear and pleasing clarinet solos were rendered by Howard Morse, with Miss Ruth Morse, plano accompanist. The main subject for discussion, "How can the people of Townsend hill better conserve and enlarge their food supply-thaf-they-may be able to help the United States and her Allies win the war?" was postponed antil the next meeting, which is to be held on Thursday eyening, March 23. The musical program will be an charge of Mrs. Arthur Earber.

Af the E. A. Spatiding Rebekah lodge meetling held in Odd Fellows hall, last week Friday evening, a colonial party was given. About seventy five were present, including members and guests. The pleasing entertainment program, arranged by Mrs. Willifered Farrar, consisted of the following numbers: Selection, orchestra; talk "Mount Vernon," Charles Ross; vocation, Mrs. Harrlet Savage, which was made more realistic by her attractive costume of "ye olden time" and more suggestive of "the dilght of the rages" of the samples on exhibition showed work made for the pleasing placed on the desk beside her; plano solos, Miss Sadie Moulton; southern songs, Mrs. Lillian Ross; humorous reading, Mrs. Emma Seaver. A social more followed, with marching with music by the orchestra. Special mention is made of the orchestra mention is made of the orch

C. E. Gates and son, Master Fred-erick, of Waltham, spent the week-end and over Sunday with Mr. Gates' parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Gates.

clings to the figure as she walks. The warrior's embroders and flashes of cut steel. To it she adds a warrior's and or same for the same fewels as in the corsage and mounted on silver cloth.

Wherever silver can be flicked in and out of a frock to enliven it, the designer loses no chance of trying out her ingenuity through this channel. When she abondons the Russian blone was the function of gold and bronze metallic cloth, which drops over a skirt of bronze of gold and bronze metallic cloth, which drops over a skirt of bronze which drops over a skirt of bronze with the cast satin, she takes the same material and uses it in bands, cuffs and high, wrink-led collars that enclose the clini life. Saurday which seems as the spring approaches. Is it a recognition of their first victory towned suffrage and the fact that they may be counted as warriors today in civic, nattional and war work?

ATTRACTIVE SPORTS COSTUME

decision."

At the Congregational church Sunday morning Rev. A. L. Struthers will preach on "The best that is in us." Junior C. E. afternoon topic, "How can we be about our Father's business." Clayton Truell, leader. Y. P. S. C. E. evening topic, "The art of living with others." Miss Maude Hyde, leader. The engagement is announced of the sec Miss Viola T. Misner, formerly of this town, to George Upton, of Fitchburg, ing bee

when the new state income tax law smizer of when the new state income tax law smizer of the town would loose a substantial sum by the loss of the tax on intangible property. It will interest the townspeople to know the amount of the tax on intangibles lost by the town was \$1.257.56, while the amount restricted from the state on account of the was interested from the state on account of the was interested.

in Worcester this week Friday. The subject discussed was "The duties of citizenship in the rural school."

Mrs. Minnie Tarbell Withers and Miss Grace Tarbell, of Jamaica Plain, were the week-end and over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Tarbell.

Miss Southwick, who is also an artist bell.

Miss Southwick, who is also an artist at the piano, gave several choice selections, and Beethoven's Fifth Symphony, which is not only the most perfect example of symphonic form, but is also the most direct musical message any composer has ever given the world, was rendered from the Victrola. Saluting the flag and the singing of "The Star Spangled Banner" were the closing numbers on the program.

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In common with other countries involved in the World War, the United States is now suffering from a depletion of its business forces because of the large number of men who have entered the service of the government in the business of war. This condition is likely to become more acute in the near future. Business effort is further hampered by the cancellation of many trains on the railroads and by congestion of traffic.

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The next meeting of the Woman's club will be held on March 22, in the town hall; at eight o'clock in the evening, when Hon. Payson Smith, commissioner of education, will be the speaker. This will be an open meeting and the townspeople are cordially invited to attend.

their work for the Red Cross.

The regular weekly did of a mapping K. M. S. G. was beekly the form of spring. The country of the regular weekly did of a mapping K. M. S. G. was beekly the town held on Wednesday everthe. We ter half an hour at close order work by the company, the last platoon consisting of three squads, was ordered on guard duty on the lower floor of the building, and the second piateon made up of two squads did open order work in the town hall. At nine of oke the company was assembled and early squad, under the instruction of its forgoral, went through the comman of arms for fifteen minutes. In at Towner of the nine of the program of the first of the company was assembled and early the read several letters from Groton men in service in France, thanking the company for the invessible them at Christmas. After a few minutes drill in close order work and five minutes of manual of arms the company was dismissed.

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The most wonderful display of morthern lights that have ever been seen appeared in the skies one mint recently. Quite a novelty was the red tinge of coloring to the lights, with brilliant green and white rays running through the scarlet-hued background. Many people thought it a big fire. According to cabled despatches it was the same display that enabled a field with that of our husbands, fathers how within y such a display of the Aurora Borealis may be seen and it is certainly interesting to think that we in Groton were watching the same clestial display as the boys over-seas.

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be had. Let us give the class a full house to encourage them in their efforts toward the trip to Washington. It is expected that music between the acts will be furnished by a regimental orchestra from Camp Devens. Candy will be on sale.

On Sunday Rev. Arthur Burrows will preach at the Baptist church Morninx subject. "The sacred fire evening service subject. "She never read her bible." These services are worth while.

The Fitchburg Woman's club has

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Saturday, March 16, 1918.

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Warren H. Whitehill has received military exemption on account of defective teeth. He has been working for the government in Washington, D. C., in the chemical laboratories.

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ATTACKS ON HOSPITAL SHIPS. Germany has tried to justify the submarine attacks on hospital ships by charges that they were used for other purposes, particularly the transport of troops and munitions. It was a characteristic begging of the question. The British White Book, dealing with these charges, offers convincing evi-Provost Thompson spent the week, end with the Sedley family in Dorches the obvious fact that if they had been dence of their faisity. It points out was an over-Sunday guest of his cous-ins, Mr. and Mrs. H. Spaulding. to stop and search the ships On account of the storm on Sunday one case was this attempted, and then On account of the storm on the papers were found to be in order able to attend the C. E. lecture on Sunday evening. Those who braved the storm pronounced both lecture and ceed. The plain truth of the matter

is that German methods of warfare, whether on sea or land, have become so brutal that all the restrictions imposed by law and humanity have been deliberately disregarded. Hospital ships have been sunk and hospitals behind the lines have been bombed, and the merciful symbol of the Red Cross, which all nations have been taught to respect, has not been the slightest protection. This is the blackest part of a black record.

Rebecca West, an Englishwoman working for the British government, writes in the New Republic: "The woman munition-maker has lifted a load from the minds of feminists. For although we talked about the economic independence of women and the injustice of paying women lower wages than men for equal work, we did not really know whether women were capable of equal work. We hoped that the inferior position occupied by women in practically every part of the industrial world except the textile trades could be explained by their lack of technical training and by the physical depression caused by underpayment and the consequent underfeeding, but we could not be certain. We are quite sure now. Women are good timekeepers; they can endure long hours; they can do work that requires delicacy of eye and hand; they are careless of dan-

Along with the discouragement of travel merely for pleasure, at the present time when railway resources will be strained to the utmost in caring for business thrust upon the carriers by the war, comes the intimation that discussion is going forward with regard to the increase of fares. That step, if it were taken, infallibly would exert an influence in the direction of reduced travel. Even the war tax of eight per

ger; they are in every respect save that of muscular strength as useful as

men."

Is little Dan Cupid, who is as active on September 17, 1917.

ing his mouth shut. Otherwise, there would have been no golden wedding.

After this winter the modern world will realize more clearly why it was that the medieval poets were so tremendously thrifted by the approach of

Perhaps the feelings of the flag ought to be taken into consideration by those who are forcing pro-Germans Otts H. Forbush auctioneer, will sell on Thursday morning, March 21, at 9.45, all the personal property of Henry Dunleigh. Tepsheld. Saturday morning, March 22, at 9.30, cows, horses and other property belonging to John A. Lawrie. Waltham Thursday morning, March 28, at 9.30, all the personal procerty of the Belmont Spring Country Club farm, Belmont, Monday afternoon, March 25, at one o'clock, administrator's sale of personal property of the late Dexter L. Sphiney, East Acton. to kiss it.

Be Fair With Children. Do not keep a list of your children's

faults constantly before you, and de

py, elaborate upon their failings before company. On the other hand, if you must speak of the day's events, empha size their good deeds, tell of the splen did work done during school hours, and admit in the right spirit that these

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AYER, MASS.

# Mortgagee's Sale

Park Street

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Barney Lubin to Jacob Jend-ler, dated September 10, 1917, and reorded with Middlesex So. District Deeds, book 4162, page 561, for breach of the condition contained in said nortgage deed and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction on the premises on Tuesday, April 2, 1918, at 10.30 o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein described as follows: "A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in Ayer, in the County of Middlesex and said

Commonwealth, on the northerly side of West Main Street, and bounded: Commencing at the Southeasterly corner of the premises on said Street and at corner of land of the Fitch-burg Railroad Company, thence running north eleven degrees and seventeen minutes west, about one hundred sixty (160) feet to land of Edward O. Proctor: thence running Southerly by said last named land, about one hun dred thirty-five (125) feet to said Street; thence running Easterly by said Street, about eighty-three (83)

feet to the point of beginning. Said premises are hereby conveyed ubject to any existing right of way. One personage whom the war has to me by deed of Levi W. Phelps dated September 10, 1917, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds with Middlesex South District Deeds

Said premises are conveyed to a mortgage for five thousand (5000) dollars given to said Levi W. Phelps and recorded with said deeds on September 17; 1917.

For the consideration aforesaid the

said Barney Lubin does hereby sell, transfer and make over unto the said Jacob Jendler any portion of the buildings erected on the granted premises which may extend over unto the djoining lot owned by the Boston & Maine Railroad."

The premises will be sold subject unpaid taxes, if any. Terms made known at time and place of sale. MORRIS MILLER.

Assignee and present holder of said mortgage. Ayer, Mass., March 8, 1918. 3w27

Mortgagee's Sale

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Barney Lubin to Morris Miller, dated November 15, 1917, and recorded with Middlesex So. District Deeds, Book 4174, page 393, and in records of mortgages of personal property in the City Clerk's office of the City of Worcester, Book 123, page 152, and in records of mortgages of personand in records of mortgages o al property, book 3, page 388 of the Town Clerk's office of the town of Ayer, for breach of the condition con-tained in said mortgage deed and for the purpose of foreclosing the same will be sold at public auction on the premises on Tucsday, April 2, 1918, at o'clock in the forenoon, all and singular, the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed and therein

described as follows: "A certain parcel of land, with all the buildings thereon, situated in said Ayer on the northerly side of West Main Street, bounded as follows: Commencing at the southeasterly corner of the premises at said street and at a corner of land of Fitchburg Railroad Company; thence running north eleven (11) degrees and seventeen, (17) utes west about one hundred sixty (160) feet to land of Edward O. Procnot, if you would be happy and at the same time make these little ones hap land about one hundred thirty-five (135) feet to said street; thence easterly by said street about eighty-three (83) feet to the point of beginning. Also, any additions to the buildings erected on the above described premises which may extend over onto the adjoining land of the

small members of the household save Fitchburg Railroad Company.

you many weary steps.

This conveyance is made subject to two prior mortgages, one given to

Levi W. Phelps to secure payment of the principal sum of Five Thousand Dollars (\$5000.00), the other to Jacob Gendler to secure payment of the principal sum of Nine Thousand Dol-

ars (\$9000.00)." The premises will be sold subject to unpaid taxes, if any. The purchaser will be required to pay \$200.00 in cash at the time and place of sale and other erms will then and there be made

MORRIS MILLER, Mortgagec. Ayer, Mass., March 8, 1918. 3w27

LOST BOOK — In accordance with Chap. 590. Sec. 40 of the Acts of 1308 and amendments thereto, notice is here-by given that Book No. 15448 has been lest and application has been made for the issuance of a duplicate book. ine issuance of a duplicate book. .... NORTH MIDDLESEX SAVINGS BANK, Ralph L. Hastings, Treasurer. Mass., March 7, 1918. 3t27 Ayer, Mass., March 7, 1918.

## Day Old Chicks

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Saturday, March 16, 1918.

buffet lunch will be served.

On account of previous interruptions in their schedules some of the schools will keep one week longer during the winter term than is indicated in the school calendar as printed in the town report. Accordingly the spring vacations are as follows: March 22 to April 8, East Main street primary and Washington street (all grades). March 29 to April 8, Pleasant street school (grades 5 to 3 and the high school) and Shirley street primary.

Miss Kate Lynch received word this, week that the hotel in Skowhegan, Me, conducted by her brother, George Lynch, and Robert Haynes, was totally destroyed by fire, together with its contents, last Sunday. The loss was \$25,000.

The thunder storm Thursday even-

A story came to light the past week which shows the tendency of some properties of the reclamation department. All properties to make complaints where they not the reclamation department. All old clothing is brought to this place, and attack that someone had stolen a valuable package from his carriage which was standing on Main street, the "theft" being committed while he was in a good deal of hard work on the case of shocs, the unworn pleces in the supposed stolen article in the surplies of leather are cut from the shoes and work not the surplies of the article incommend in the supposed stolen article on the counter in the store where he had left it, thinking he had left it in his care of the supply company in the store where he had, left it, thinking he had left it in his care of the supply company in the store where he had, left it, thinking he had left it in his care of the supply company in the store where he had, left it, thinking he had left it in his care of the supply company in the surple of the supply company is one of the evidences of it.

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W. C. T. U. Drive.

Another drive for money for war welfare work was started last Tuesday in Cambridge, when about 200 of Middlesex county, and their invited guests, met at luncheon in Newtowner work of the organization. The money is needed for the war welfare work and also for reconstruction for home service and for milification. The speakers were Mrs. Sydna Eldridge, who spoke of the opportunities for helpfulness offered there; Mrs. Susan W. Fitzgerald, who discussed the welfare of women and children as affectiated by the war; Mrs. Katherine L. Stevensons, state president, and Miss Caroline M. Caswell, who is chairman of the central committee of the campaign is to be statefard. West County W. C. T. U., presided. The campaign is to be statefain. The case was filed upon that county having April 15 to 27.

Two vagrants on the way to their cases filed. One of the pair was Joseph Seconto, a seventeen-year-old lad, anative of Plittsfield. Seconto was in court on February 25 on a complaint four breaking and entering and larceny at Hickey's restauran on Merchants' row. It being found that he was not an actual participant in the crime, another having confessed to it, and in consideration of his tender years, he was given over to the State Board of Charity for proper care. He went to Lawrence and then came back to West Groton to work in the paper mill, where he was previously employed. He has been seen wandering around town of late by the police, who thought it best to take him into custody to prevent him from falling again into his repaired to the campaign is to be state-alone the campaign is to be st

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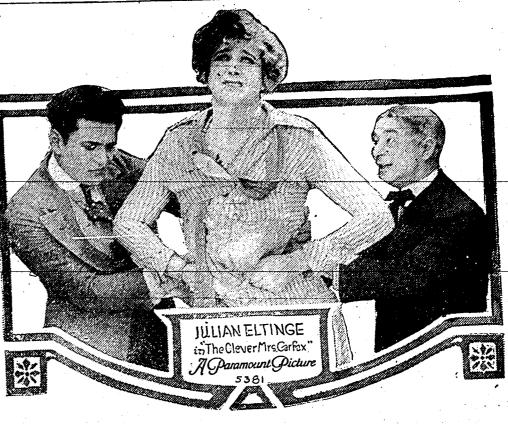
res, the clever female will be seen next Morthis best plays entitled. Mrs. Carfax." A fine comedy, "His hidden follow. Tuesday comes I William Fox's dight lack and the beanstak," play had a long run in her large cities through ry, which is a sufficient tits excellence. The starshis play are Francis Carbinshis play are Francis Carbinshia Lee Corbin. Wedges Francis X. Bushman title seed to excellence. Mrs. Wilson, a former plants of excellence. Mrs. Wilson, a former plants of the red of excellence. Mrs. Wilson, a former plants of the red will again fill that Wilson, a former plants ning her duties Monda

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## A Chance to Make Some Money

Purchase the fifteen room Hous dtuated on the corner of Forest and Grove Streets, Ayer, and open a lodging house. This property, formerly occupied by the late Peter Tarbell, will be sold to settle up the estate, as will also the nine-room House situated or Forest Street and a Cottage situated on the corner of Church and Grove Streets, Ayer.

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MONDAY, MARCH 18

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March 18-"THE CLEVER MRS. CARFAX," featuring JULIAN ELTINGE

March 19—"JACK AND THE BEANSTALK," featuring FRANCIS CARPENTER. and VIRGINIA CORBIN

March 20-"RED, WHITE AND BLUE BLOOD," featuring FRANCIS X. BUSH-MAN and BEVERLY BAYNE

March 21-"THE MEDICINE MAN," a Triangle play, featuring ROY STEWART March 22-THE INDISCRET CORINNE," featuring OLIVE THOMAS

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#### LITTLETON

Drown, of Aliston.

On Tuesday, March 26, the Special Ald society will hold the annual bastness meeting in the selectmen's room at three o'clock. All members and overyone else interested urgently requested to attend.

The missionary meeting of the United Workers was postponed last week and will be held with Miss Elizabeth Thacher on Wednesday afternoon, Leader, Miss Florence Wilcox; subject, "Africa and civilization."

Rev. F. C. Kattner, of Boston, will occupy the Congregational pulpit on Sunday.

Mrs. Nelson B. Conant is the week end guest of Mr, and Mrs. Wallace B. Conant, of Concord.

Herbert Crane is sick with Liberty measles.

Augustus P. Gardner is in New York on business this week.

The men's supper of the Back Log club is scheduled for next week Thursday. A many and the lighted and, heated, and the ladies given a demonstration of the kind of meals the men desire to have served them in war times.

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served them in war times.

Miss Elizabeth M. Dana, of the Smith college unit in France, who spoke at the war meeting in the town hall on last Saturday evening, was present at the Unitarian Sunday school the next morning and gave an interesting and thrilling account of her experiences back of the line, not far from St. Quentin, in France. The children were especially interested in seeing a real gas mask, and the shoes with wooden soles that all civilians wear, and a bit of the wing of a German aeroplane brought down near their unit.

Miss Emma E. Tenney gave her Mendelssohn lecture with many il-iustrations in music played by herself before the Old Boston chapter, D. A. R., at Hotel Brunswick last week Wednesday and was very enthusiastically

Miss Fannie A. Sanderson at a Civics conference held by the State Federation of Women's clubs in Wolleston this week Friday, spoke with much interest on Camp Community service.

The proceeds of the Grange motion picture entertainment given in the town hall last evening will be used to buy the liberty bond and the proceeds from the box lunch of lsat week will go towards the aid of the French

William Griffiths has recovered from an attack of the grippe, Miss Pheebe White, who has been sufferer from neuritis, is again in

normal health. Our local dealers give encourage-

bury, Vt., visited her mother. Mrs. Theodore Fletcher, and brother, Walter Titcomb's family, last week, reter Titcomb's family, last week turning home last week Friday.

Mrs. Shepley Z. Cleaves of West Rindge has been the guest of her daughter, Mrs. John H. Kimball, for

Walter H. Boireau is now in at a camp in New Jersey, but expects soon to go across and enter service as meat

The high school is soon to have :

Warren Hartwell, who has been udying at the radio school in Camridge, has been promoted to the pobridge, has been pr sition of instructor.

sition of instructor.

Not even the blinding snowstorm of Sunday evening could chill the ardor of the red and blue cohorts of the (\*). E. society in their attendance campaign. More than fifty responded to the church bell. The topic of the meeting was, "Making the most of ourselves." Leader, William L. Goddard.

dard.

In the Middlesex divorce court the petition of Mrs. Neille A. Shedd, of this town for a divorce from her husband, Clifford W. Shedd, of Boston, has been dismissed. She alleged non-support and also asked for the custody of a minor child.

Mary Pickford, in "Such a little queen," will be given at the town half on Tuesday evening, March 18, at days last week with friends in Boylight o'clock, under the auspices of ston. eight o'clock, under the auspices of the Girl Scouts. The girls will sing two numbers of Scout songs and Girl Scout pictures will be shown illustrating scout activities for developing the health and character of American health and character of American fights. Candy and popcorn will be sold during intermission. Come one and all.

Storm.

Mrs. G. L. Snow returned home last Saturday after speinding the week in Buston.

Mrs. Edward J. Stevens. at the North, is rapidly recovering from her recent attack of pneumonia. Mr. Stavens on discount of Massartee and Storm with the state of Massartee and Stor

girls. Candy and popcorn will be sold during intermission. Come one and all during intermission. Come one and during intermission. Come one and during intermission. Come one and during the week of March 18, the American Labrary association is to conduct a nation-wide book drive and every person is urked to contribute books from his private collection to be sent to our soldiers and sations. The million and a half fund raised last September, has built thirty-four camplibraries, equipped them, provided trained library service and purchased such books as were not given. These libraries are being actively used and the service is being extended and branches in all Y. M. C. A and K. S. The general should be any intermitted thousand books have already been given and more than 100,000 books have been purchased administering and extending the service, the public is now asked to make gifts of popular books.

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April 27—Grant's birthday, 1817.

April 30—Washington inaugurated, 789.

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September 6—Lafayette born, 1757.
October 12—Columbus day, 1492.
Last Thursday in November—Thanks giving day.
December 20—Landing of the Pillegrims, 1620.
December 25—Christmas day.

stible, two large storage barns, works ship, and extensive pourtry plant. Included in the price was a full equipment of stork, tools and machinery. Dr. Cobb has already taken possession and intends to develop and extend the orchards and raise blooded December 25—Christmas day.

And library days and Sundays from cattle. Mrs. Mary E. Buckley was the April 6 to October 12, "when the weather granter. permits.

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Wood, E. F. Notebook of an intelligence officer.

SHIRLEY

News Items.

Athance Landry has purchased a seven-passenger car and will operate a fitney service between Camp Devens and nearby towns.

ens and nearby towns.

A dance will be held in Odd Fellow's hall on Monday evening under the direction of Mrs. Charlotte Knox for the benefit of the Universalist church. Henault's singing orchestra, five pieces, of Fitchburg, will furnish music.

Owing to the storm on last Sunday Owing to the storm on last Sunday the exercises in connection with the raising of the twenty-star service flar at St. Anthony's church were made very brief. The speakers were Select-man Charles H. Weare, Jr., Dr. T. E. Lilly and Rev. Rosario Richard.

Lilly and Rev. Rosario Richard.
Athanis Landry, Joseph Credit, Joseph Chaisson, Fred McGrath and Philip Sidilau took out their naturalization papers last Monday. Frank. Thomas and Osias Chaisson on the same day received their first papers, All are members of the Franco-American club.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Peabody, Miss Ethel L. Peabody and Miss Leona M. Lee spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Herman Marshall, of Clinton. normal heaten.

Our local dealers give encouragement by telling us that more coal is expected. Egg and stove coal will be the next ready for distribution. Harry W. Knights received a carload of coal this week.

Mrs. Herman Marshall, of Clinton.

Mrs. Elmer H. Allen spoke on mending for the soldiers at Camp Devens before Lucy Jackson chapter, D. A. R. before Submit Clark chapter of Easthampton, and Dorothy Quiney Hancock chapter of Greenfield this week.

A son was born last Saturday morn-

A son was born last Saturday morning to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stebbins. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Pelser and daugh. Mr. and Mrs. Free Perset and dadger ter Barbara, who have been visiting Mrs. Pierce's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas I., Hazen, returned Monday to their home in New York city, having recently moved from Pittsburg. Arthur C. Annis, of Harvard radio chool, and William E. Tracy, S. S. S.

thode Island, were in town last Sun-Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge

will hold their regular meeting on Friday evening of next week in Odd Fellows' hall. Ar the close of the meeting there will be a card party. At the community whist party held on Monday evening at the Service club

on Monday evening at the Service club
the winners were Misses Madeline
Logue, Gertrude Provost, Helene Desmond and Mary Badstübner, whose
score was 102. Boxes of candy were
presented to the winners.

Conant Manning, son of Mr. and
Mrs. Walter Manning, of Upper Montclair, N. J., who is attending the Taft
school in Watertown, Conn., is spending part of his spring vacation with
his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. John
G. Conant.

Markaret E. Theomer distance held in the town hall ass. Saturday evening a some of the former residents of Woodsville, who have held these perfect at intervals all winter. Another duce, under the same mandisplay of the flag adopted at the charge, may be of interest to others as a help in showing our colors.

January 1. Emancipation duce February 12.

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The program for this meeting has not yet been decided upon

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May 30—Memorial day, 1777.

June 14—Flag day, 1777.

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June 17—Bunker Hill day, 1775.

July 4—Independence day, 1775.

August 1—Great war for freedom legun, 1914.

First Monday in September—Laber Richelm and the state road, opposite the depot, has been sold to prosite the depot, has been sold to pros

News Items.

Miss Helen Hume was the week-end guest of Miss Helen Dowling of Allston, and Mr. and Mrs Harry F. Hume and daughter Hester were entertained over the week-end by Mr. and Miss Brown, of Allston.

On Tuesday, March 26, the Special Ald society will hold the annual basiness meeting in the selectmen's room.

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New Books.

The following new books have been higher the temperature, the quicker meat will spoil, but the family's supplies are not absolutely at the mercy of the thermometer. Ice and cleanliness are two great weapons of defense.

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New Advertisements.

#### CARD OF THANKS

abscriber takes this method to thank the members of the free company and other citizens of Littleton for their prompt response to the alarm and their able assistance at the free has mill last Friday. It was through their very efficient efforts that the loss was not greater. He is very grateful to everyone for the services repetered.

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### Shipping Clerk

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WILLIAM H. FURBUSH, Boxborough, Mass., March 6, 1918.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION of the First National Bank of Ayer at Ayer in the State of Massachusetts at the close of business on March 4, 1918.

Resources to secure circula-tion (par value) \$20,000.00 S. bonds and cerificates of indeb

Liberty Loan Bonds, 212 percent and 4 percent, un-pledged Securities other than U. S. pledged
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Total \$1,437,353.4 te of Massachusetts, County of Mid diesex, ss.

I, Charles A. Normand, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly sweathat the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

CHARLES A. NORMAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me his 14th day of March, 1918. D. Chester Parsons, Notary Public. Correct-Attest:

Howard B. White.
Daniel W. Fletcher,
Oliver K. Pierce.
Directors.

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I J. Rowell, Miller, Arthur P. Wright.

SUCCESS WITH RASPBERRIES ONLY BY STUDYING REQUIREMENTS OF VARIETIES



Plants of the Cuthbert Raspberry as Received From the Nursery, "Heeled In," Awaiting Favorable Opportunity to Plant.

Although the raspberry will succeed on a wide range of soil types provided suitable moisture conditions prevail, the best results will be secured only by studying the peculiar requirements of the different varieties. fine, deep, sandy loam is perhaps the most desirable soil for growing raspberries, because it is managed so eas-

ily. Equally good yields of some varieties will be secured on clay and on sandy soils if they are well managed. In general, however, though the black raspherries seem to do best on sandy solls, they are grown extensively and succeed well among clay soils. Among the red raspherries the Ranere does best on sandy types, but the June prefers a clay soil. Other varieties, such as the Cuthbert and King, succeed on a wide range of soil types. There the soil requirements of varieties are known, they are indicated in the characterizations given on later pages of this bulletin.

Moisture is important. The most important, perhaps, of all the factors entering into the growing of raspberries is the moisture supply, and where there is the possibility of a choice, the soil which will furnish an ample supply of moisture at all times should be chosen. At no time, however, should there be wet places in the plantation. Thorough drainage as

well as a full supply of moisture is essential. Another important factor is air drainage. Cold air settles to the lower levels, and plantations situated on land elevated above the surrounding fields will not be subject to the extreme cold of winter as plantations on the lower levels. Winter injury to the canes may often be avoided by choos ing a site higher than the surrounding country. Furthermore, plantations on the higher elevations are not as subject to frost injury in late spring as

those not so favorably located. In the Southern states, a fourth factor in the selection of a site is of some importance. If raspberries are to be grown in those states, a northern or northeastern slope is preferred for the plantation, as humus and moisture are retained better infields on such slopes

than on southern slopes. For home gardens, the chicken yard is frequently a desirable place for the raspherry patch. Poultry keep down weeds and enrich the soil, and do not

often harm the berries. Preparing the Land.

The same thorough preparation of the soil should be given for a raspberry plantation as for corn or similar crops. For the best results the plants should never be set in a field which has just wolld follow hoed crop. Land which produced a crop of potatoes the previous year and which has later been plowed and thoroughly pulverized is in the best physical condition for settling the plants, and any field on which crops have been grown which leave the soil in a similar condition is prepared properly for rasp-

berries. Planting. The time of planting raspberries varles in different parts of the United States, according to local conditions. In general, however, the plants should be set in early spring in the Eastern part of the United States, but on the Pacific coast they should be set during the rainy season, whenever it is pos-

sible to do the work. Because better plants of the black and purple varieties can be secured in the spring, that is the best season for setting them. Red raspberries however, may be set in the autumn with good success in sections where the winters are mild or where there is a good covering of snow to protect the

plants. Occasionally when growers wish to set a new plantation they wait a month after growth starts in the spring and use the suckers that come up during that month in their established plantation. If the season is favorable, this practice may prove satisfactory. If, however, a drought occurs soon after, the young plants will suffer severely. Only in sections where the climate is favorable is this practice to be recommended.

Handling Nursery Stock It must be remembered that the root systems of nursery plants of the dif- and to help in the installation and ferent varieties vary greatly, and what constitutes a good nursery plant of one variety may be a poor plant of another variety. Thus the Royal, a purple variety, rarely makes as large a nursery plant as does the Columbian. Consequently a good nursery plant

in a Word. Ingenuity, energy; in a word, whatsoever of strength the man had in him will lie written in the work he does.---Carlyle.

Tail Tree is Useful. A tree that is 100 feet high is used station mast in a Central American into one of his finest poems, "The Two city.

(rrepared by the United States Depart-ment of Agriculture.) of the Royal would not be considered a good plant of the Columbian.

In case the plants are not to be set immediately, they should be heeled in; that is, a trench should be dug and the roots placed in it and covered with moist soil. In order to work the soil thoroughly about the roots of each plant it will be necessary to open the bundles and spread the plants along the trench. Sometimes it is desirable to wet the roots, or, if they are very dry, to soak them for a few hours be-

fore heeling in the plants. Just before setting it is well to dip the roots of the plants in a puddle made of clay and water or cow manure and water. The roots are there by partially protected from the wind

and sun. Plants affected with crown-gall should not be set. This disease can be recognized by the knots and swellings which appear on the roots and about the crown. Such diseased plants are very much less productive than healthy stock.

TIME TO PLOW STUBBLE SOIL

Advantages and Disadvantages of Both Spring and Fall Work Must Be Considered.

(From the United States Department of · Agriculture.)
In deciding the time to plow, the advantages and disadvantages of both spring and fall plowing must be taken into consideration. Heavy fall rains indicate that fall plowing should be done, as the gain of moisture during the winter by the stubble land probably would not equal the loss of mols ture taken by the weeds in the fall. If only light rains occur, however, the moisture in the soil produced by these rains probably would be more than offset by the greater quantity of snow field by the stubble during the winter and the reduction of the weeds in the crop. Spring plowing would then be better. The availability of labor in the fall and winter will influence the

amount of plowing done, but a greater effort should be made to do the plowing if there is heavy precipitation than if the rainfall is light. The only advantage in late fall plowing is that the amount of spring labor in preparing the seedbed is reduced. This advantage, however, may be offset by reduction in the yield.

#### ...... WORLD'S WORST PEST

The world's worst animal pest

is the rat. It carries the germs of bubonic It carries the germs of bubonic plague and many other diseases

fatal to man. It destroys annually in the United States property worth \$200,000,000 equivalent to the gross earnings of an army of 200,000 men.

It eats enough grain on many

a farm to pay the farmer's taxes and leave a margin. Why not join in and fight the rats? You can get valuable suggestions as to methods in Farmers' Bulletin 896, United States

agriculture

department of Washington, D. C. <del>[+++++++++++++++++++++++++</del>|

CONTROL DISEASE OF ONION Department of Agriculture to Assist is Fight on Root-Rot-Big

Losses Recorded.

From the United States Department of Agriculture.)
Root-rot, a very destructive storage rot of onions, occurs in many states, losses of from 25 to 75 per cent in white onion sets having been recorded in the onion-growing districts in the vicinity of Chicago and in northern Indiana. Red and yellow onlons are no attacked as seriously as the white varieties. In order to combat this malady the United States department of agriculture next season is to assist growers in testing a method of controlling the disease with the hope of putting the method on a practicable basts for commercial use. Specialists of the department will be assigned to the districts affected to advise the farmers equipment of necessary structures.

Many Small Potatoes Wasted. There are nearly 120,000,000 bushels of small potatoes wasted in the United States every year, all of which could be used in making bread.

Immortalized Pets. Poets have generally put their pets

into their poems. Gray wrote a won-

derful poem on the sad event of his fa

vorite cat being drowned in the gold-fishes' bowl. Cowper chronicled the way his spaniel Dash gathered him a water lily he could not reach himself. and made a charming poem of the sad fact of his cat being shut into a drawas a powerful, long-distance wireless er; whilst Burns put his collie, Lauth, Dogs."



## SKIMMED MILK FOR CALVES

Since Most of Fat Has Been Removed in Cream Carbohydrates Needed to Make It Balanced.

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 calves. 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 il of the whole milk is replaced by skimmed milk. Fine ground meal is one of the best carbohydrate supplements to be fed with skimmed milk. ome feeders cook the meal, stir it in the skimmed milk and feed it to the calf. After the calf is two weeks old it will cut fine ground meal and if fed small quantities will assimilate it.

Linseed meal is also used. Care should be taken in feeding They should be taught to drink from the pail as soon as pos-sible. Nothing but clean vessels should e used and the milk should be clean and warm.

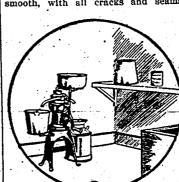
CLEAN UTENSILS ARE URGED

High Grade of Milk Cannot Be Obtained if Pails and Cans Are Not Thoroughly Washed.

(By E. H. FARRINGTON, Wisconsin Agricultural College.)

All efforts to supply the consumers with sweet, clean milk are useless if the milk pails, the cans, and other utensils are not thoroughly washed and scalded before milk is poured into them. Milk sours so quickly and it is so difficult to remove the sour odor from the utensils that these should be washed immediately after they are

(1) Milk pails and cans should be smooth, with all cracks and seams



Separator in Clean Room.

flushed with solder. Seamless pails. and cans have been placed on the

market. (2) When washing tinware, first rinse off the film of milk on the surface with cold water, then wash thoroughly with warm water and cleaning oda, using a brush, and finally rinse with scalding hot water and place in the sun or some place free from dust

to dry. (3) After scalding, do not wipe milk tinware with a cloth, but let the rinsing water be so hot that there is no further need of drying.

CHAPPED TEATS ARE VEXING Where Cows Wade Around in Muddy Yards and Pastures, Teats Often Get Wet and Cold.

Sore teats of any kind are very un-pleasant, both to the cow and the milker. A cow having sore teats of any kind does not stand still during milking. She keeps moving about and

even kicking. During spring chapped teats are common. The cows wade around in muddy yards and even in ponds in the pasture, the teats get wet and cold, and if no special attention is given to the cows, the tents frequently become very sore.

HIGH-PRICED FEED ANNOYING

Dairyman Depending on Profit Fron Cows for Living Must Know Just What He is Doing.

Now that the cost of cow feed is oaring skyhigh and the dairyman is depending on the profit from his cows for his living it is a self-evident fact that he must know what he is thinking about. One thing is certain, the poor feeder to the poor cow is not in the race and the sooner he gets out the better, even if he must hire out to work for the man who knows how to do his own thinking.

RETAIN BULL UNTIL TESTED

Not Good Policy to Sell to Butcher After Two Years' Service-May Prove to Be Valuable.

After a young or untried bull has been used two years he should not be sold to the butcher, because he may prove to be a bull of exceptional worth when his daughters freshen. Such a bull often can be lent or leased to a man with a grade herd for a couple of years until some of his helfers freshen. In this way he always is subject to recall in case he proves especially valnable.

Discovery of Easter Island. Easter Island was discovered nearly 200 years ago by the Dutch Admiral Poggeveen, who cast anchor there on an Easter Sunday, whence it derived its name. He found it more largely populated than it is now. But he and his crew must have seen and maryeled at its bold rock sculpture, its terraces and walls, its picture writings, Many of these, indeed, rival the world-famous relics of Mexico and Peru, while they are strangely akin to them in conception and design.

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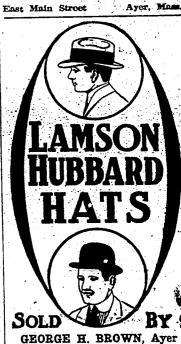
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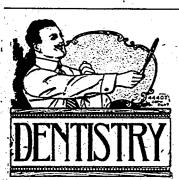
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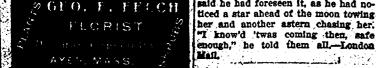
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## Caroline Thinks It Out By Mona Cowles

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"To get up in the morning and make our own coffee and boil your own egg and make toast for yourself is all very well and good for a girl when she is single, but to have to do that sort of thing is quite different when one is married," Caroline had said with a very definite air five years ago on the memorable afternoon when Horace Blair had proposed to her, "I don't in the least mind living here suppose you are quite comfortable in the boarding house, but to have to live in three or four rooms or to have to go to boarding after we are married would be really quite impossible."

Horace fondled the hand he held and looked dejectedly at the graceful finger that Caroline had just permitted him to measure for the engagement ring.
"You are a very sensible girl, Caroline," he said, "and I suppose you are

'Of course, I'm right," she agreed "At twenty I might have been foolish and romantic. Then I might have supposed that I could be happy and make you happy on my thousand-dollar-ayear income and your salary of three thousand-"

"Twenty-eight hundred." Horace corrected with a sigh.

"With an occasional picture I could sell that would come to no more than forty-five hundred." She sighed and shook her head.

"I'm sorry, Horace, but it can't be done. I've seen other girls try to do it and-well, perhaps they are happybut we couldn't live the way we do. You wouldn't want to try. It would mean living in a suburb somewhere with an incompetent maid and wear ing ready-made clothes-yes, I know I have to now, but I won't always be young. At thirty I would look a mess in a ready-made suit—and we would have to keep eternally counting the. money, and if we went to the theater we'd have to sit in the gallery—'

way. haven't we?" Horace murmured "Yes, Horace dear, but doing it now is one thing and doing it then is quite what you are—are going to do about another matter. You'll thank me some another matter. You'll thank me some time for the stand I am taking."

"Then-you mean you won't marry

"Not in the least. I simply mean that I can't marry you till our income is doubled at least!".

Horace took out an envelope and pencil from his pocket and began to

"Nine thousand-that means that I must have about seventy-five hundred." "I'll marry you when you are making six thousand. You can work up to that-"

unhappy suitor.

"What if it does? We love each it." other, and we can go on quite nicely this way. You know marriage isn't something to be entered into emotionally.

"I think I see your point of view."

and Caroline began their long engagement. There were never any quarrels and never once did she weaken from her wise decision that to make toast for yourself was one thing, but to have to do it for two was another. Even in his most impatient moods Horace had to admire the lofty ideal that simple solution, Horace, that I'm sur-Caroline maintained toward marriage. prised we never thought of it hefore.' It was something that had to be under

or not at all. And a day or so ago Caroline was still making her own toast and drawquite content on her small income and other chance ahead that would bring particularly vehement tirade the contempt.

Caroline worked at her drawing was less demand for her particular kind of talent than in years gone by. a smaller check than formerly. She did not flinch at the economies this necessitated. Single poverty was one thing, she insisted, and married poverty another.

Then a day or so ago Horace came to spend his usual Sunday afternoon with her but instead of hurrying up the two flights of stairs to her apartment when he reached the house where she lived in spinster sedateness, he hesitated and then walked dejectedly around the block. Again he started to enter and with a beavy sigh retracted his steps around the block. It took considerable courage finally for him to ascend the steps he had trod so many times and to give his accustomed knock at her door.

How He Forstold Weather. At Whitby, when the moon is surcounded by a halo of watery clouds, the seamen say there will be a change of weather, for the moon dogs are about. An amusing story is told about fisherman in Torquay. A gale havng taken place during the night, he said he had foreseen it, as he had noticed a star ahead of the moon towing her and another astern chasing her. "I know'd 'twas coming then, safe

So-well did Caroline know his every expression that it was in vain that he attempted to dissemble his depression.

"I'll have to tell you some time," he began, when he had settled back in his favorite wicker chair with Caroline sitting opposite to him by the window. "If ever a man had reason to be discouraged I'm that man-after five years. Oh, Caroline, it is too cruel of fate..." He buried his hour He buried his head in his hands, and if he had been anything but the every inch American man that he was he would have shed a tear or

wo. Caroline was not the young woman to put caressing arms about his neck and assure him that everything was lovely whether it was or not, and Horace liked her better because she was not. She simply waited for him to tell the rest of the story.
"I have to tell you, Caroline," he

said, "because I know you will feel the blow almost as much as I do. I this two-room apartment now and I am sure of your love; if I weren't, I couldn't endure this terrible calamity. I'm sure you'll wait perhans five years more," He winced as he thought of another long sentence of waiting.
"It's just our share of the war con-

ditions, I suppose. The shipping tie-up has knocked our business sky-high. I've been hoping against hope we'd find a way out. But we've had to close down one of our plants-and that means and start in some other line I'll have to begin at the bottom-every business in our line is crippled-it may mean two or three years after the war ends even before things are back on their feet."

Caroline was still calm. "That leaves you with just about twenty-seven hunsurprising bluntness of her reply served as a bracer to Horace's wilting spirits.

"Now listen to the sequal. My income has been dwindling. My little money is all in K. and B. and that is worth about half what it was before the war. I've been meaning to tell you. I hated to-but I've got to give up the apartment. I'd do more work but there's no market for it now."

Horace forgot his own troubles and was leaning over Caroline with two outstretched arms. "Poor, dear girl," he said. "How you must have worried-and now comes my tale of woeand even now you aren't crying about it. Caroline, you've more pluck than any man I ever knew." He knelt be-"We've had rather good fun that side her, looking with infinite tenderness and admiration into her unflinching blue eyes. "Have you thought

> "There's only one thing to do," she said slowly. "I'll have to give up this place and I suppose you'll have to live some place cheaper than the Hotel Bradford."

"Yes, of course." "Well, why couldn't we both live Caroline's usually firm voice here?" faltered a little as she made the suggestion.

"You don't mean-Caroline-how "I'll relent a little," smiled Caroline. could you? You don't mean that we can be married? Don't you know what you said about making toast and frying eggs for two-you've told me so "It may take five years," sighed the often that you couldn't-Caroline don't let me hope if you don't really mean

"I've thought it all out," she said. resuming her calm manner that Horace thought the finest thing he had ever seen in any woman. "It is one "You are a very sensible girl," said thing for two persons to live separate-Horace accepting his sentence grimly. It on two small incomes—and it is another thing for those two people to live-And so it was settled and Horace together on their joint incomes. Don't you see how simple it is. It's just a matter of plain arithmetic. -Caroline was too sensible for that pay rent for one apartment instead of for two; we can read by one light instead of two, and we don't have to go out to the theater and places for amusement, because we'll be married and can just stay home. It's such a

### Enemy Quickly Disappeared.

An official of a railway which passes through Philadelphia, I am told, was in the habit of expressing his war sentiing an occasional picture that sold, ments without restraint to his private secretary, Girard writes in the Phila-Horace was working on patiently with delphia Ledger. These sentiments were the concern with which he had begun derogatory to the allies and favorable ten years ago, grimly waiting for and to Germany. One day at the end of a him the coveted six-thousand dollar retary said: "I trust, sir, that what income. It did not seem then that you have said does not represent your real feelings on the subject " ready he had reached the fifty-five hun- every word of it," said his employer. It dred mark and he had saved enough was just after a fire had taken place to make possible the prospects of in a nearby city and the responsibility starting in life with a rather more pre- had been laid at the doors of German tentious abode than the suburban cot- hirelings whose enterprise the railway tage that Caroline had held in such man extolled. "Then I shall be obliged to arrest you," said the secretary, throwing open his coat and showing board as patiently and eagerly as ever the badge of a secret service agent. and her ability as an illustrator had The indiscreet official is now supposed not become impaired but owing to war to be in a place where what he may conditions, as the editors told her, there have to say in praise of kultur will reach a severely limited audience.

### By Twists Teacher's Words.

A Greencastle young woman teacher in the Peru (Ind.) high school a few days ago had a vision of her job leaving because of a violent protest lodged against her by a patron. The teachers were at a meeting when the protest came up. The patron accused the teach er of calling her boy "a scurvy ele phant." The teacher was dumfounded when she beard the charge, and could not recall making any such remark. The corps of teachers went to work to attempt to unravel the mystery. Finally it was solved. The teacher had told the boy "He was a disturbing element." and the boy mistook what she said for "A scurvy elephant."-Indianapolis

Habit to Be Avoided.

The habit of unkind criticism or pro miscuous criticism, if you prefer the word, grows by leaps and bounds if permitted to flourish at all. We have ideas in which we take a certain amount of pride, and those who do not live by them fall under the ban of our displeasure. We have no reason for believing that our ways are better, we merely assume it, and expect others to take the same line of thought. You see we demand freedom of action that we are not willing to accord to others.-Exchange,



APPLE POMACE FOR FEEDING Has Value Almost Equal to Corn Silage -Dairy Farmers Will Do Well to Get Supply.

Apple pomace has a feeding value about equal to good corn slinge. It contains a little less fiber, but a larger mount of extract matter and fat. It also has about the same digestibility.

Dairy farmers who live near cider mills would do well to secure and save all the apple pomace possible. The best way to keep it is to put it in a silo, but it will keep for one or two months in a pile out of doors. After the silo has been filled with corn and that the salaries of men at the top will has settled, there is generally room have to be cut in half. If I get out to put in several tons of apple pom-Feeding tests in Massachusetts and

Vermont have given quite satisfactory results. In the latter state the nomace was shoveled into the silo eveled off and kept in good condition without further care. The quantity fed varied from 10 pounds per day at dred, doesn't it?" she asked, and the the start to 35 pounds daily after the cows became accustomed to it.

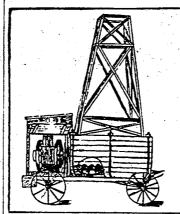
Possibly the best way to feed it is to give about 15 pounds daily with as much corn silage and what hav the will eat, which will usually be cows from 10 to 16 pounds. In addition. dairy cows in milk should have five to ten pounds of a suitable grain mix

### POWER SPRAYERS ARE HANDY

Outfit Needed for Each Thirty Acres-Lightness is important on Rough Ground

A large orchard should be provided ith a power sprayer, if the orchard s considered worth giving good care. In a large orchard, generally speaking. would be best if there were a power sprayer for each 30 acres at most, and any of the best orchardists who are spraying carefully, maintain that 20 or 25 acres is enough for one power sprayer.

In buying a power sprayer, several centures should be considered. In rough land one of the most important would be lightness. The sprayer should be short and light so that it would be convenient in turning and running



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over the rough land. The same would be just as true of muddy land. Generally speaking, it is very important that a sprayer be light.

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results will be a delightful surprise.

### FIX MULCH FOR STRAWBERRY

Covering of Strawy Stable Manure Enriches Soil and Protects Plants During Winter.

It is the habit of many strawberry growers to cover the plants in winter with strawy stable manure, which answers the double purpose of enriching the soil and protecting the plants from. heaving, which danger of heaving ocmonths. For home supply plenty-ofstrawberries can be grown on ordiany fertilizers.

## "Bedlam."

Bedlam is another example of the English fashion of telescoping words, and comes from Bethlehem. The priory of St. Mary of Bethlehem in Lonphrase is used to describe intolerable clatter and racket.

## PLANTS PURIFIERS OF AIR

Their Consumption of Carbonic Acid Gas, Always Going On, le of Great Benefit

Plants do not breathe or have any

action corresponding to the breathing of animals. Oxygen is essential to the sustaining of life in unimals, including human beings, and in breathing air they consume or appropriate the exygen it contains and give out carbonic acid gas, which is poisonous. Plants do not consume oxygen, but they consume carbonic ucid, thus helping to purify the atmosphere, which is some extent rendered impure by he breathing of animals. They do not senerate oxygen, but they release it by consuming the carbonic acid. Tyn iail, a celebrated scientist, says: "Consider all the fires in the world and all the animals in the world continually pouring their carbonic acid into the atmosphere. Would it not be fair to conclude that our air must become more and more contaminated and unfit o support either combustion or life? This seems inevitable, but ft would be conclusion founded upon half knowledge, and therefore wrong. A provision exists for continually purifying the atmosphere of its excess of carbonic acid. By the leaves of plants this gas is absorbed, and within the leaves it is decomposed by the solar rays. The carbon is stored up in the ree, while the pure oxygen is restored to the atmosphere. Carbonic acid, in fact, is to a great extent the nutriment of plants, and inasmuch as animals in the long run, derive their food from the vegetable world, this very gas, which at first sight might be regarded as a deadly constituent of the atmos there, is the main sustainer, both of egetable and animal life."

#### FINEST WEATHER IN TROPICS

Climate So Delightful That the Average Person Would Soon Tire of the Monotony.

The days were wonderful, and the alternations of sun and wind were as exciting as the discovery of the strange Malayan beasts and birds. The sun rose softly—no breeze moved cloud or leaf, and even the light came at first moderately, indirectly, reflected from the higher peaks, or heliographed from the mirror of a half-hidden, distant waterfall. In early afternoon—one never knew just when—the faintest of breezes sifted down and blurred the lacery of tree-fern shadows. The wind was cool and soon strengthened, and by night the air was surging violently through the gap, siphoned from the cold summits down to the hot, humid valleys. Day after day one reawakened to the sense of tropical surroundings from a conviction of a northern autumn, with the wind full of swirling leaves and the fronds soughing with the same sad cadence as the needles of scented pines of the northland .- William Beebe, in The Atlantic.

#### Are You a Dangler?

A dangler is one who dangles, that is one who awaits the decisions of other people instead of choosing his own course and making circumstances conform to it. The dangler may be found any day in the open market, complaining because nobody hires him, or her, as the case may be. Our most celebrated and successful laborers asked no odds of anybody. They simply went to work, somewhere, anywhere that offered opportunity, and then they helped to build up the community that supported them and so became in time "grand old men." who o undiscerning minds seemed to have been wonderfully favored by fortuge They did not dangle, but became the strong supports upon which folk of a weaker sort leaned, and not in vain, that virtue would come out of them.

Artificial Sponge Propagation. The growing scarcity of sponges has warned those familiar with harvesting on

make a liar out us the best woman that ever lived an at makes me ashamed ever time I think uv how the major has kept his confidence in me, -Kansas City Stat

### Habitual Tendency.

"This show was written for the tired business man" remarked the mana-News Items "The production cost a fortune.F

"That's the one thing," replied Mr. ing, which danger of heaving oc-most seriously in the spring a tired business man myself, and I got so husy figuring how you are going. to pay interest on your investment nary soil without the application of that I couldn't keep my mind on the performance."

Charles Lamb was one day criticizing a neighbor rather severely when his listener interposed with a protest that the judgment was mistaken, and don was converted into a hospital for that the critic did not really know the the Insane in 1402 and in the course of man. "But I den" want to know time the name was shortened to Bellin," said Lamb. "I might get to like lam, a word that came to be a synonym him." That is what might happen for madhouse. To open the door and in a good many cases when we stand lings to Almonto let the inmates escape would be "Bed. off and condemn. The faults are not lam let loose," and frequently the the only qualities our neighbor pos-We might get to like him if sesses. we took the trouble to get acquainted.

#### HARVARD

News Items.

The annual parish supper a considerable meeting of the Congregational society was nell on Puesda, even in last at the church patient, and the try-five members of the parish and

Miss Annie M. Kerley is reported as

hope that her improvement may be looked for any day. Miss Blanche Dadmun of Somerville spent the last week-end and over Sunday with friends here in Harvard.

Kent Royal is home this week re-The Congregational Men's club will hold a regular supper and entertainment at the church parlors on Sunday evening. March 17. Supper will be served at seven o'clock. The speaker of the evening will be Gus B. Schultz of the Farm Burgery with will often of the Farm Bureau, who will give a talk on the "Farm banking system," as conducted by the bureau.

#### Bromfield School.

In the mid-year examinations, which were held recently, the following received 90 percent or over in one or more subjects: Hazel E. Hardy, Marjorle S. Houghton, Susan G. Priest, Rachel G. Ryan, Lloyd I. Small, Lillian E. Taylor, Stanley H. Turner, Bernice M. Walker, Rachel G. Ryan, Lle lian E. Taylor, Sta Bernice M. Walker,

The name of Arthur W. Armstrong, S. army, should be added to the oll of honor.

The public is cordially invited to at-end the next meeting of the Literary ociety, Friday, afternoon, March 22,

Composition for the prize theme contest must be handed in not later than March 29. The essays must be of least 400 and not more than 1000 words. This is required work for all pupils, Prizes will be awarded as follows: Two dollars for the best essay in school, and one dollar for the best from each of the other three classes.

#### BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items. There was a public food demonstra-tion held at the home of Mrs. Ellen Sawtelle on Monday afternoon. About

wenty ladies were present. Hattie Stiles and Miss Josephine Seaver entertained their neph-ew, George Abbott, of New York, the

Andrew Marshall spent the week-nd at the home of his parents. Sergeant Jean Parkey has been a rues; at the home of Walter Fessen-

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### LUNENBURG

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Mrs. Rose A. Vallancourt, who purhased the Crowfoot place on Pros-pert street last year, intends to occupy the sound April first.

Abother snowstorm, and a heavy one, executive Saturday night, and continuing anti-late Sunday evening. Has discrete heavy count of that kind of brone this winter? Old settlers tell the Proposition, cold winter of years (20 when there were ninety days of colliders a sleighing, but there has

society was nebe on Tuesday and last at the chareh paties, and the present. Support was seriously ally but here here to be one of the present. Support was seriously ally but her friends sincerely follows the here was all the country of the charman of the meaning and here to lowing officers for the easempt to lowing officers for the long of the lowing to lowing officers for the long of the lowing lowing officers for the long of the lowing lowing of the lowing lowing officers for the long of the lowing lowing of the lowing lowing of the lowing lowing officers for the long of the lowing lowing lowing lowing of the lowing lowing lowing lowing lowing of the lowing lowing lowing of the lowing lowing lowing lowing lowing of the lowing lowing lowing lowing of the lowing lowing lowing lowing lowing lowing lowing lowing of the lowing lowing

Mock Trial.

The mock trial at the Grange on last Wednesday evening, made lots of fun for overyone present. The complainant was Frank E. Lancey, and he accessed the worthy master, Arthur Q. Emerson, with having stolen his pig. The judge was J. L. Harrington; the prosecuting attorney, George F. Blood, and George E. Cornwell was counsel for the defendant. The jury was composed entirely of women, Mrs. Julia. S. Bailey, foreman, Mrs. Sarah Smith, Mrs. Myrta Moulton, Mrs. Ethel Gli-chrest, Mrs. Mamié Lancey, Mrs. Abbio Brackett, Mrs. L. C. Eastman, Mrs. A. W. Rockwood, Mrs. J. M. Brown, Mrs. A. W. Rockwood, Mrs. J. M. Brown, Mrs. A. G. Brown, Miss Edna E. Adams and Miss Nellie M. Jewett. Herbert L. Hill, of Fitchburg, and Edwin S. Marshali were drawn upon the panel, but were onlickly challenged on the property of the proper were drawn upon the panel, but were quickly challenged on the ground of

Indue influence.
S. U. McIntyre acted as constable S. U. McIntyre acted as constable and also as witness, and O. I. Starkey, L. C. Eastman, W. B. Hayward, the complainant and defendant, each and every one of them, created abundance of fun with their testimony and local hits which were very apt. The defendant was found guilty (of course) and sentenced to six months' imprisonment in the iron cage in the cellar, unless the selectmen succeed in selling it before the time is out.

#### Pomonu Grange Meeting.

The meeting of the Pomona Grango on last week Thursday was a very satisfying and successful one, notwithstanding the very cold and disagreeable storm which interferred materially with the attendance, especially with the other conditions of the co people from a distance, who come with

In the afternoon the welcome was In the afternoon the welcome was given by E. C. Smith, overseer, and the response by Wallace Brown, of Groton, treasurer. The next feature on the program was a paper by Mrs. William Birchstead, of Leominster, upon "Apples in food," their good effect upon the general health of those who eat plenty of them, either cooked or raw, repeating the old couplet of "An apple a day will keep the doctor away." She told of various ways of preparing them—baking, canning, preserving, pickling, etc., and exhibited several samples of her own skill in that line, giving recipes for jelly, etc., and many giving recipes for jelly, etc., and many other things to tempt the appetite, other things to tempt the appetite, prepared especially from apples. A piano solo was given by Mrs. E. C. Smith, cornet solo by F. E. Lancey, and the lecturer then introduced E. Cyrus. Miller, the successful apple grower from Haydensville, and manager of the Hillside orchards of 500 ares, who spoke for more than an hour on "Apples and apple culture—

"Apples and apple culture— cultivation, their pests, etc." said the study of apple culture been his life work and had great day, March 5.

The Misses Francis and Jessie Farnsworth of Merrimac spent the week-end at the home of their parents.

Mrs. Etta Rocawood has closed her house at South Broadine for a few weeks and will make her home with her daughter. Mrs. Cara Hessie, at Townsend.

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Res. Edward Kellec has love visit. warmed those familiar with harvesting of a short irrious. In renover than this will do the work, but if an engine will got hot and stop at a much lower pressure. In an engine will got a short it got of an arrow of the possibilities of country Are Great and Yet Slightly Tested—Plant Some Trees.

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The newspaper which makes a se-cret of its circulation has a good rea-son for-but the reason is never the one that is given to the advertiser,

# How to Make Oatmeal Bread

# Healthful to Eat—Saves the Wheat

1½ cups corn meal
1 teaspoon salt
5 teaspoons Royal Baking Powder
2 tablespoons sugar

Mrs. William Withrow of Park reet has been confined to her bed

street has been confined to her for four days with the grippe.

oats
2 tablespoons shortening
1½ cups milk
No eggs

Sift together flour, corn meal, salt, baking powder and sugar.

Add oatmeal, melted shortening and milk. Bake in greased shallow pan in moderate oven 40 to 45 minutes.

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Saturday, March 16, 1918.

#### PEPPERELL

News Items.

Several of our town sportsmen went our fox hunting last week Tuesday and came home without either a fox or their dogs, the dogs having gotten out of hearing, and not showing up, the hunters came home expecting that the dogs would do so, too, but the dogs did not come home for several days, when one of them came back. "Old Blaze" the other one, Ned Tarbell's celebrated fox hound, was not located until Saturday, when he was found up on the Townsend hill, hanging by a hind leg in a wire fence. It is supposed that the dog attempted to jump posed that the dog attempted to jump the fence, but could not quite make it, and falling back stuck his leg through the fence, and so got hung up and remained there from Tuesday until Saturday. He was little the worse for the trip, but after a good rest and careful nursing it is expected that he will soon be all right again.

Friday evening, March 8, was cold Friday evening, March 8, was cold survey by a good number of the services on February 2.

Several of our town sportsmen went time. Mrs. Town And Wright and Mrs. Anna Wrodesworth Mrs. Anna Woodsworth Mrs. Charles Reed was taken sick and only in the blood. The physician was called three from the chapter—Miss March and Mrs. Anna Woodsworth Mrs. Anna Woodsworth Mrs. Toronthile was born in loss. Walter Drury were the hotst and Mrs. Anna Woodsworth Mrs. To Graham and she rallied and was out of doors shortly. The Hoods work and the function of the dreadful weather last Sunday morning dorted were held at St. Joseph's church on Wednesday morning, March 12. Geo. Wednesday morning, March 13. Geo. Wednesday morning, March 14. Geo. Wednesday morning were held at St. Joseph's church on Wednesday morning, March 13. Geo. Wednesday morning were held at St. Joseph's church on Wednesday morning were held at St. Joseph's church on Wednesday morning were held at St. Joseph's church on Wednesday morning were held at St. Joseph's church on Wednesday morning were held at St. Joseph's church on Wednesday morning were held at St. Joseph'

John Boynton was observed on the street the last few days wearing a bandage around his head, and upon inquiry it was learned that a few days before, in coming out of the postoffice, he slipped on the stone steps and struck his head somewhere, cutting a small gash. Nothing serious—only a notice that it is necessary to be careful.

Waldo Spaulding has tapped the maples both sides of Townsend street, near Lucius Wilson's, and expects to have a supply of sugar in the future. have a supply of sugar in the latest-Mrs. Susise (Andrews) Farnsworth and daughter, Jeannette, of Ayer and Miss Bertha Farnsworth, of Franklin called on friends in town on last week

A visitor in town attracted quite a lot of attention last week Friday, being somewhat of a novelty. A large and handsome deer, coming down Townsend street, turned around the postoffice, passing between the hitching posts and the front entrance, somewhat startling Willis Perry, who was standing at the door, within a few feet of the deer. The deer was pursued by a dog, not a hound, and the deer went into Harry Hutchinson's hen yard and remained there for some time.

Rev. D. R. Child will preach at the Rev. D. R. Child will preach at the union service of Congregational sent Unitarian churches, held in the Congregational vestry on Sunday morning. His topic will be "Joining the order." Sunday schools at twelve o'clock. The Forward club will hold a meeting at six o'clock, and Mr. Lewis will give a stereopticon lecture with holy week slides at seven o'clock.

holy week slides at seven o'clock.
Legal notice of a business meeting of the Congregational church, to be need next Tassday evening at 7.20, his been given. A report of the committee of five on the two churches uniting will be given and an opportunity will be given and to express an opinion. Rev. Hubert Othering, D. D., of Boston, secretary of the National Council of Congregational Churches, will be present for an address and to answer questions. This should be a largely attended meeting, as the question is a most vitalone.

The Woman's Missionary meeting of the Congregational church will be held with Mrs. Walde Spaulding on Wednesday afternoon. March 20, at three o'clock. All ladies interested are most welcome.

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The Paugus Camp Fire are still working on trench candles, knitted squares, bags and cloth spreads, survey, bags and cloth spreads.

Under the auspices of the Worman's club an entertainment will be given in Prescott hall on Monday evening, March 18, the proceeds of which are to be used for smileage books to ale to be used for smileage books to help our soldiers smile, followed by a hance. There will be trumpeters, night queen, jumping jacks, Dutch cleansers, witches, shamrock song and dance, old-fashloned girls, new-fashloned girls, with Godders of Liberty and Uncle Sam, the parts to be taken by local talent, and each group has something different to offer for the pleasure of the audience.

The Ladies' Aid society will hold a "lantern dinner" on March 29 at the Methodist vestry. There will be a sale in the evening and an entertainment by the Camp Fire Girls, consisting of a farce, "Musder will out." by the Camp Fire Girls, con a farce, "Murder will out."

for four days with the grippe.

The Oak Hill Woman's club is sending another box of Red Cross supplies, numbering 374 pieces, consisting of hospital shirts, pajamas, bandages, slings, comfort cushions, eye dressings, handkerchiefs and towels, making a total of 724 pieces sent this winter by the club.

The Greenfert of Park street is Mrs. Walter Drury, of Lawrence, is riends.

B. J. Brooks was in Boston on

Miss Jessie Flynn left last Saturday to resume her teaching, after a week's vacation at home. Miss Margaret Anderson, who has just recovered from the mumps, went, last Sunday to her school duties.

just recovered from the house.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., met with Mrs. H. O. Tower on Tuesday. There was the usual business meeting, after which there was roll call and a "thankful day." There developed many things to be thankful for some that had plenty of sugar and flour, others that the bottom of the coal bin had not yet been reached, another was very thankful that she had not fallen; and broken her hip on the slippery sidewalks, and taken altogether it seemed to be a very thankful time. Mrs. Tower, Mrs. Anna Wright and Mrs. Walter Drury were the hostesses. A nominating committee was chosen—to select the officers for the coming, year, two from the board and three from the chapter—Miss Marie Jordan, Mrs. Anna Woodsworth, Mrs. C. D. Hutchinson, Mrs. T. Graham and Mrs. R. H. Blood.

PEPPERELL

News Items.

News It at the last town meeting. A larger scope was taken up even to a "bone dry town" and not granting any sixth class licenses to the druggists. The plan of not allowing the druggists to sell liquor is to be brought up by a special meeting of citizens to be planned for in the near future.

Rev. D. R. Childs will preach next unday morning and the text will be Joining the order.

Joining the order.

Miss Clapp of Oklahoma, but a pudi of the Emerson School of Oratory in Boston, made a week-end visit to me of our teachers. Miss Case. one of our teatmers, aims case.

Miss Ethel Wells went to Everett
last Sunday evening, where she has a
position as teacher.
Her grandmother, Mrs. Betsey Winn, not being worse.

er, Mrs. Betsey with, not being wors.
Miss Effic Winship started on Mon-day morning with the Braiding Co. if the packing department and likes the work very well so fair.

Mrs. Leste Reed, who went from here a few weeks ago to join her hus band in. Washington, D. C. has consisten as a receiver in the base hospital method.

The values of the beoble in our town who some i Present Grange las week Prilip right are Mr. and Mrs George LuPaw, Mr and Mrs P. H. Morant and her sister, Mis

county to visit R. B. Winship and clock often his real estate. warren Bi oo has been confined to shome the lost week and under the are of a loster but is mining st nichts friends expect to see him of croad ageta s

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Butler of Swampsco Mrs. Thomas Butler of Swampsco-was weekend visitor in town lookin after her interests in real estate. Mrs N S Appleton is this week Wakefield with relatives and atter ing to special meetings.

Mrs Alfred Noon has been the guest of Mrs George Pierce of Wood side. Mrs Noon has been calling of

Mrs. Frederick who was visiting hiparents, Dr. and Mrs. Loveloy, left. Thursday, for Worcester. At Worther she will remain with her sister. ter she will remain with her sixt Mrs. Marion Dow, till Mrs. Dow illittle daighter Dorothy can accordingly Mrs. Burns to her home in Josep City.

most attractive. Our next stop was at the new library on a hill overlooking the parade grounds. It is a fine building containing many thousands of books with pletures on the walls, flowers on the tables. It was dedicated a few days ago by Gov. Met'all.

This flying trip through some of the interesting places of the tranendous camp gives one some riex of the good management and equipment the wonderful system and splendid team work which has made this woodland spot a busy city of 35,000 souls in a few short months.

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Red Cross Branch.

Wednesday and Saturday afternoon meetings, devoted to the folding and rolling of gauze were held at the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth B. Heald.

s follows:

1. Sweaters, mufflers and wristers are provided for every soldier in campas the winter caps are sufficient. These are supplied by the government. When soldiers leave Camp Devens for the front, or other camps, they have to front, or other camps, they have to front, or other camps, they have to front, or leave these caps. Then, the Red Cross will assunte the responsibility of providing each soldier who leaves, a knitted helmet.

3. 11,638 pairs of socks have been distributed. As the one time shortage no longer exists the Red Cross socks are being sent abroad in large numbers. This statement is approved by James Jackson.

General Pershing has requested that no more socks with double heels be sent across, as when washed they are rough and cause blisters on soldiers feet.

The superintendent of surgical

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usuperintendent of surrical drossings in New England division bugs the branches not to get discouraged at the shortage of gauze and and solders being, made here and in Washington on sisting of bandages, eye dress, eye dress, eye dress, on muslin dressings. The need to hasten, the manufacture of these things. Do not stop working concent of a large quantity of surgical dress, on the other side is most urgent. Dou't pay any attention to the fiction which has been started as to saving old "cancelled postage stamps, and chere and the Red Cross.

Advice given by General Pershing to the Red Cross.

Advice given by General Pershings a wice and in your intercourse with families and never the correspond with an unknown person of Pleasant ch 20. Sub
Miss Georpic and cover the enemy. In the streets and in public places do not stop working you would not wish to reach the ears of the enemy. In the streets and in public places do not stop working you would not wish to reach the ears of the enemy. In the streets and in public places of the success of our army and our cause."

Red. Cross workers are asked to was a successful is but was less than the 'very walls have ears, 'glad to be it the services are asked to make and fill comfort kits for the soliders "over there."

TOWNSEND Last Sunday the funeral services were held for the little four months old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kiley. old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kliey.

The East Village Soical club held its last meeting with Mrs. Edward Johnson and the subject was "Peace." Many ideas were advanced and a nice social time enjoyed. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Goff of Pleasant street on Wednesday, March 20. Subject, "Miscellaneous." On Tuesday, March 12. Miss Georgie
Maynard came home from St. Joseph's
hospital, where she had a successful
operation for appendicitis, but was
tired after her ride home. She had
muny callers at the hospital, forty
postcards and nine lovely bouquets
while there, but she was "glad to be
home."

end of late.

The Dorcas class of the Methodist church met at the home of Mrs. Etta Sanders on Tuesday. Fourteen ladies were present and a very pleasant afternoon was spent. Refreshments were served by the hostesses, Mrs. Hattie Cook and Mrs. Margaret Wilson. The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Ivora Austin, with Mrs. Annie Going as hostess. The sale and entertainment which the Dorcas class are making plans for will be held on Friday, March 29. About Town.

The Woman's club will meet in Saunders' hall on Tuesday afternoon, March 19. The meeting will be in charge of the Conservation committee. Subject, "The conservation of national park." Illustrated talk on the cliff dwellers by Mrs. Kathryn A. Beers. day, March 29.

on March 12.

Mr. Churchill had taken a thorough course in the city public schools and later a course at Amherst Agricultural college, and was more than ordinarily well fitted for his chosen calling of farming. He had grown to love this chosen called the count that

farming. He had grown to love this town so well that when he found that he must pass on it was his request that he be laid here, so his remains are to lie in Walton cemetery.

About Town.

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a local bureau there have been snow storms so far this winter. Mr. Palmer began this week an ex-

rolling of gauze were held at the residence of Mrs. Elizabeth B. Heald Main street.

The following notice, in reply to the many letters received in regard to knitted articles for soldiers at Camp Devens, has been sent to all organizations. The policy of the Red Cross is several men to the mill.

Several men to the sweek an extended theatrical tour, Edward Brooks has resigned his position as engineer at the leathers board mill and with his family has left town. Mr. Brooks is succeeded by Charles Hagar. Charles Spaulding is employed in the finishing department of the mill.

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several men in this vicinity are taking advantage of the renewed building activities at Camp Devens to

is able to work again.

Mrs. Rena Lavoie and Miss Louise Arlin spent Thursday of last week in Ayer and Fitchburg.

J. Barkhouse spent Wednesday in Nashua, N. H.

Mrs. George Clark has been very sick the past week. She was taken with a very severe cold and pneumonia was feared. Mrs. McKenzie is assisting in her care.

A letter from A. D. Turner, from Orlando, Fla., the past week, says that the temperature was between 80° and 90° there now. Some different weather of her her week some of late.

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The such a little queen "Such a little queen" will be at the town hall on And linen into squares for hand-queen into squares for hand-queen" will be at the town hall on August eight to clock. Everyone is fond of Mary Dickford and will not want to miss this opportunity to see her again. The this opportunity to see her again. The on duty to sing Scout songs and to be on duty to sing Scout songs and to

Flags, lieutenant.

The Red Cross troop, under the chaperonage of Mrs. Houghton of the local executive board of Scouts and Miss Olive Flags, lieutenant of the troop, enjoyed a sleighride Tuesday evening to Ayer. Elmar Flags most kindly brought the girls in his wagon and the straw ride was very jolly. Over twenty Girl Scouts were waiting at the Ayer ('lub House to welcome their sister scouts and cheering and singing were mutually bestowed on the others. The Ayer girls provided light refreshments and favors were made in order to mix up the two towns and new friendships were made. After playing games and enjoying one another to the full, the party started back at nine o'clock and everyone had a most enjoyable avening.

enjoyable evening. Harvard

Harvard

How is this for an energetic Girl Scout? Lillian Taylor sold forty-eight tickets for the moving picture entertainment on Thursday evening. All the girls worked hard and had a special rehearsol on Tuesday afternoon for the singing. They also made candy and popcorn to sell at the performance of "Fanchon, the cricket." Nancy Harlow accompanied the "Good-night song" on the violin. These young girls know how to get up an entertainment. When they become grown women this training in 'organized work will certainly benefit the community.

South Lancaster

Capt. Conway Parker invited her Narcissus troop to come with buckets and tap the trees for maple syrup on Friday afternoon at her place. Isn't this valuable information for the girls to acquire, when they are all trying to conserve the fruits of the earth. Syrup can fill the place of some pounds of sugar.

Lieut. Adams, of South Lancaster, attended the officers class in Ayer on Wednesday and Mrs. McDonald came from Lancaster.

which came not only to see Mary Pickford in "Fanchon the cricket." I but also to see ithe scout pictures which Miss Nelson, mational field captain, Girl Scouts, explained, and to hear the singing of scout songs by the troops of Shirley. Over forty girls took part in the entertainment. Even the Brownie Scouts, those from six to ten years old, came out this one great evening to help in the singing and to pledge allegiance to our American fiag. Mrs. Elisworth, captain of the Brownie Scouts, took charge of the little ones, and Mrs. Whittier, lieuten-

# Mar | Saturday Sale | Mar. 16

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ANOTHER DROP in POTATOES

time is now near and we must expect a big demand with a firmer

15 lbs. 35c. 60 lbs. \$1.35

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Endive, Spinach Greens, Romaine, Asparagus, Green String Beans,

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DRIED FRUIT

runes 17c. lb.
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Oatmeal Bread .... 10c, Ioa

St. Patrick's Day Novelties

Cookies, Doughnuts, Turns, Turn-overs, Baked Beans and Brown

Bread

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The final one, we think, Seed

20c. 22c. 1b.

Rib Roasts Sirioin Roasts Hamburg Steak. 20c.

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Apricots

Other Outs 18¢-20¢ lb. Stewing Pieces 15¢ lb. LAMB IS REASONABLE

Legs 30¢-32¢ lb. Fores 22c-24c lb. Stew Lamb 15¢-18¢ lb.

TEA and COFFEE DEPT. Whole Loins 27c. ib. White House Coffee 35c. ib. Half Loins 28c-29c. ib. LaTouraine Coffee 35c. ib. Half Loins 28c-29c. ib. White House Teas. 35c. can Milto House Teas. 35c. can India Ceylon Tea, bulk 55c. 15. Matted Milk, bulk 39c. 1b. Mellin's Food. 67c. bottle Flavored Puddine 8c. pkg. Fresh Shoulders ... 26c. lb. Fresh Pig's Feet. 74c. lb. Pot Roasts 22c. 24c. lb.
Boneless Roasts 26c. lb.
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CANDY We have an elegant line of Chocolates at low prices, PROVISIONS Smoked Shoulders .... 27c. lb. Salt Pork :..... 28c. lb. 40c. lb. 20c. lb. Bacon ....

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Laurel Bank Farm 50c. doz. Crisco 30c. 45c. 50c. \$1.80 pall Pincapple Cheese ... 85c. each Pure Lard ... ... 31c. lb. GROCERY COUNTER O. K. Pickles, a good bargain

10c. bottle Campitell's Soups ... 100
Armour's Evaporated Milk 10c. can 2 cans 25c. Teco Buckwheat Flour for

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Use Orona for cleaning Aluminum cooking utensils; removes dis-colorations 10c., 25c. can Olumishine . . . . 10c., 25c. ca For polishing silverwear and Aluminum . Sausage, Tamales, Chicken Pics, FRESI Meat Pies, Potato and Vegetable Oranges FRESH FRUIT DEPT. Grapefruit Apples

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ant of the Lily of the Valley Troop. In the State of Mastends at the popeorn and candy was sold in no time and the whole evening much enjoyed.

REPORT OF CONDITION of the Townsend National Bank, at Townsend, in the State of Mastachusetts, at the close of business on March 4, 1918.

Resources

Loans and dis-

Girl Scout community service, 11-12 Saturday morning, March 14. Peanut cookies, war cake, popcorn balls.

The Ayer Scouts have shown their interest this week in Shirley and Harvard troops by sending representatives to both entertainments. A three-seated automobile was contributed for the use of the girls going to Harvard. referent this was chief representated automobile was contributed for the use of the girls going to Harvard.

The Brownie Scouts are tearing cotton and linen into squares for handerchiefs for the men at the base hosterchiefs of the men at the base hosterchiefs.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

To the Board of Selectmen of Ayer. Massachusetts:

Respectfully represents Eugene Bark of the same than the form the learner of the men at the base hosterchiefs of the me The Brownie Scouts are tearing cotton and linen into squares for hand-kerchiefs for the men at the base hospital. There's no one too young to hath



Ayer, Mass., March 14, 1918. Ordered that a public hearing be held on the foregoing petition Monday, the first day of April, 1918, at eight o'clock P. M., in the Selectmen's Room in the Town Hall in said Ayer, at which time and place all persons interested in said petition may petitioner give notice of the time and and the general public with the Good place of said hearing by publishing an Luck Product. All mail and telephone attested copy of said petition and of orders promptly attended to. this order thereon in Turner's Public Spirit and the Ayer News, newspapers Capt. Collins, from Camp Devens, conducted the drill and was a great success as an instructor. Clerk of the board mail written notices of the time and place of said hearing The Girl Scouts of Shirley did themselves proud on Wednesday evening at Odd Fellows' hall, when they shilled it with an enthusiastid audience which came not only to see Mary which came not only to see Mary which came not only to see Mary constructed, as such ownership is deplication to see ithe scout nictures termined by the last proceding sesses. ment for taxation and to all other per sons required by law.

JOHN D. CARNEY, DOUGLAS C. SMITH, ELWIN H. LONGLEY, Selectmen of Ayer. A true copy of petition and orde

thereon. Attest: DOUGLAS C. SMITH, Clerk

counts

Counts

Ster and bills rediscounted (other than bank acceptances sold) 9,112.50 \$183,787.67

Overdrafts, unsecured

U. S. bonds deposited to secure circulation (par value)

Liberty Loan Bonds, 3½ per cent and 4 per cent unpleded

2,950.00 11,350.38

16,000.00

Liabilities Capital stock paid in ..... \$100,000.00 Surplus fund 20,000.00 Undivided profits \$20,095.70 Less current expenses, interest, and taxes paid. 1,712.10 Circulating notes outstanding 100,000.00 100,000.00

100,000.00 209,144.32

Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed)
Total of time deposits
\$9,193.91 `9,193.91 \$456,806.83

Total \$456,806.82
Liabilities for rediscounts.
including those with Federal Reserve Bank ..... \$9.112.50
State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, 88.
I. C. B. Willard, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
C. B. WILLARD, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me

Subscribed and sworn to before me his 14th day of March, 1918. T. James Harvey, Notary Public. Correct -Attest:

Henry A. Hill. Walter F. Rockwood, Robert G. Fessenden. Directors.

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