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#### PEPPERELL

News Items.

Pauline Warren, of Lincoln, Me. has come to live on Crescent street. All the school children and most of back Saturday night.

Little Dorothy Rust is sick at her paternal grandfather's home in Saugus with the influenza.

Last Sunday Mrs. Barnes, house keeper at Madam Slorrill's. Elm street

seemed very well in the morning, but was taken ill in the afternoon with appendicitis, and it developed so rap-idly that before the could be operated had broken. While the operation was entirely successful, Mrs. Barnes is a very sick person, and the many people other ways will wish for her a speedy recovery. Her son gave a charming lecture here last winter before he wer across as chaplain, on the subject "The sky pilot." Mrs. Charles Parker, Townsend street, is taking Mrs. Barnes' place at Madam Merrill's tem-

porarily Mrs. David Weston has returned from her three-weeks' visit to her nicce. Miss Dadmun, of Shirley, and is boarding with Mrs. Charles Parker on Townsend street.

Miss Mary Connig. of Fitchburg who has been the guest of Mrs. Emery Darling for the past few weeks, has to return next Sunday, as her school will reopen on Monday.

Miss Elizabeth Shattuck, daughter George E. Shattuck, Nashua road. who is teaching in Bristol, N. H. did not come home during the epidemic, as the superintendent of schools preferred to keep the teachers in town, even if there was no school. The teachers were to have their salaries and in turn gave freely of their time as nurses, and were of exceeding bene-fit to the community. Remember that the churches will

se the corrected time on Sunday, Mrs. Paul Barrett, of Keene, N. H. dsited her mother, Mrs. C. W. Boyce, last week.

The executive committee and chairman of the different committees of the Special Aid are requested to meet with Mrs. Nellie Appleton at her home on Monday afternoon at 3.00.

meet on Wednesday, October 30, with Miss Marie Jordan at Blakesmere, Mr. and Mrs Arthur Bannon, Mt.

The East Village Social club will

Lebanon street, are on a trip through the Berkshires, and on last Sunday viewed the glorious autumn scenery about Burlington, Vt. Mrs. Warren Blood has had so se-

day as last Sure sy. She is better now The water and have been able to succeed to the position nt of the water sys-nt by the death of the ... Mr. Bemis has acof superinten tem, made vo-late Perley it i on and is well fitted having worked for cepted the jesfor the posit "or several years, and knowing at system of : the intricate water

Wardell Parker, of Sheffield street left Thursday for Charleston, S. C. where he will enter the quartermas. ter's department. He enlisted last August, as soon as he was eighteen years old, and has just been called.

to remain : charge of the pumping

Roy Nutting is still

Miss Eva Bolles, daughter of C. M. Bolles, Nashua road, who has conducted a dress-making establishment for several years in Concord, N. H. has taken a position under the government and has gone to Washington,

Everybody attending school or interested in basketball knew the Gue-thing brothers. While they came from Hollis, N. H. they played here many times, so it will be of interest to many to learn that Lieut. Hervey Guething

number is it

with mourning. The funeral of the late D. Allen Parker took place at his home on Brookline street at ten o'clock in the morning, Rev. J. B. Lewis officiating. The remains were laid at rest in Woodlawn cemetry. The bearers were Bert Gilman, Jonas Andrews, Frank Farley and Edward Johnson. There were many floral tributes.

they made their home until Mrs. Burkinshaw iot in Woodlawn cemetry on last week Thursday. She is survived by her husband and her niese. Mrs. Burkinshaw was seventy years old last March. As she had endeared bury. Conn. Mr. Burkinshaw remainments with deeds here and in New Johnson, There were many floral tributes.

Mr. Parker was the eldest son of the late David Parker and was born the late David Parker and was born on Cranberry street. Oak hill, March 14, 1862. He has spent most of his life in town with the exception of three winters in Florida after his health began to tail. He married Miss Jessie Ayers, who survives him; also, a son, Earl W. Parker, who is a yeoman in the navy, stationed at Norfolk, Va.; three half-brothers, Fred A., Ivan A. and Louis A., and three L., Ivan A. and Louis A., and three A., Ivan A. and Louis A., and three half-sisters. Mrs. Carl Lawrence and Ella Parker, all of this town, and Mrs. George Farrar, of Ayer. He was for many years a member of Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., and of Acoma Rebekah lodge, and was much beloyed in both orders. It was a Townstate of the control of the co both orders. It was a great satisfac-tion that his son was allowed to come to his funeral. The members of Bea-con lodge were in charge.

The funeral services of Perley J Blake were held on last Saturday af-ternoon at his late residence, Rev. J. B. Lewis officiating. Interment was in the family lot in Walton cemetery

The funeral services of the late harles Oscar Messer took place at his late home on Nashua street on last Sunday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. B. Lewis officiating. He was thirty seven years old. Interment was in Woodlawn cemetery in charge of the members of Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., of which fraternity he was a member for several years. Mr. Messer was also member of Steamer Company No 1, and was a very active member. Beautiful flowers in profusion covered the grave. Grant Palmer, Gardiner Willey, Ray Maxwell and Jonas Andrews, members of Beacon lodge, I. O O. F., acted as bearers.

Charles Jordan, whose remains were brought here by auto hearse, followed by relatives in two autos, Wednesday, October 16, for burial in Woodlawn cemetery, was very well known here. His brother George and sister, Mrs. Eugene Delisle, still live here, while his brother Feed still live here, while his brother Fred and other sisters, Lizzie, Jennie, Ada and Cornelia, live in the vicinity of Boston and all are the children of the late George Jordan of this town.

Mrs. Cora. (Getchell) Burkinshav was born in Bath, Me., and came to Pepperell in her early youth. Here she became acquainted with Charles Burkinshaw, whom later on she mar-ried. Mr. Burkinshaw is the son of the late Aaron Burkinshaw, noted on at St. Joseph's hospital, where she was immediately taken, the appendix November 24, and if she could have lived until that day they could have celebrated their golden About fourteen years ago the couple went to New Britain, Conn., where

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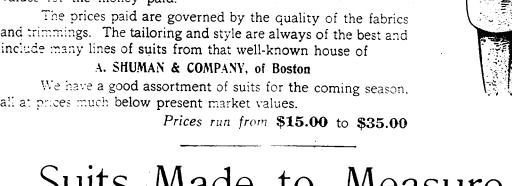
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#### WESTFORD

Rev. and Mrs. David Wallace were in town on Wednesday, when Mr. Wal-lace was the officiating clergyman at the funeral of Mrs. Rose E. Green. During their stay they called on a number of their former parishioners.

Forrest Holt, who has been employ-d on the George F. White farm, gets through this week and is moving with his wife and son to South Lyndeboro,

The senior class of the academy are arranging a Halloween dance to be given at the town hall on next week Thursday evening. Emory J. Whitney entertained kins-

people, Mr. and Mrs. Black and daugh ter Marion, of Springfield, this week, from Friday until Monday. Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Lincoln een in Boston during this week Mr. and Mrs. Perry A. Shupe will

close their home in this village during the winter and plan to live at their farm in South Merrimack, N. H. Mrs. S. B. Watson is convalescer

from an attack of influenza. Mrs. Helena M. Bartlett has beer away this week in Boston and Ips-wich, at the latter place attending a wedding on Wednesday in a family of long-time friends.

Westford Grange will hold a special meeting at the town hall on Tuesday evening. October 27, when the first and second degrees will be conferred on six candidates. It has been decided to postpone neighbors night indefinitely for this season.

Schools reopened on Monday, the J V. Fletcher library is again open and the churches will resume their usual services on Sunday, and so our com-munity does not seem like the de-serted village it did during the epidemic." So far as we are able to learn there are no cases of influenza in the village at the present time.

Oscar R. Spalding, Charles O. Pres and Leonard W. Wheeler, who were appointed appraisers of the farm stock and tools of the late Charles D stock and tools of the late Charles D. Colburn, attended to their duties on Wednesday afternoon preparatory to the auction sale that Mrs. Colburn plans to hold in the near future. Mrs. plans to hold in the near future. State Colburn, with her daughter Elinor and son Charles are planning to move to the village, occupying Miss Ella F. Hildreth's vacant house on Hildreth

## Tadmuck Club.

The first meeting of the season for the Tadmuck club had to be cancelled on account of the epidemic, and the second meeting, which was a relief work meeting, took place at Library hall on Tuesday afternoon. The work on the Red Cross hospital suits proon the the ducing the meeting and while recognized as a war-time innovation, worked ou with good results. The worked our with good results. The president, Mrs. William C. Roudenbush, presided. The secretary, Mrs. Perley E. W. sht, gave her report, after which the speaker of the afternoon, Miss Helen A. Whittier, was introduc-

July celebration where he was.

Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth read a letter from her husband, describing his stay at beautiful Aix-Les-Bairs, which is a rest camp for the soldiers. and of climbing the tamous mountain of the Cat's Tooth. Mrs. Goldsmith H. Conant read a fine letter from her brother-in-law. Bernamin C nant, brother-in-law, Benjamin which embodied heartiest endors ment of the work of the Y. M. C. A. In

About Town. The next meeting of Middlesex-North Pomona Grange will be held on

Friday, November 1. in Lowell. William Pollock, on the Fletcher Cold Spring farm, as superintendent. has sold the large crop of apples the trees to Timothy Sullivan & Sons.

The freight wreck on the Stony Brook road last week Wednesday was severe enough in its shaking up of the roadhed to cause trains to run at "slow down" speed until Monday over the distance of 1200 ties. Such was the pressure that some rails were twisted like the letter S and others started to spell G, which some thought meant He -

The U. S. Department of Agricus ture has been experimenting in regarto the cause of rust in wheat and inds that our old-fashioned New Eng. land barberry is a prolific cause of it when growing close by a wheat field and legislation for its extermination in the west is being agrated in several

Mr. Pitkin was self free (1908) some time Mr. Green has seen from the Common factor at Westford Content likewise, Charterie Pickup has picked it and left the content of the Common factor and the content of the Common factor of the Common fa inconditional surrender on morning She identified herself with the Congre 'r Lowell c

conference, and after October 27 we was quiet and unassuming; but the shall go back to where the sun and the was a charm about her. She excelle clocks agree on time.

Walter Johnson, son of Andrew Johnson, has been in town, calling up-on friends. Mr. Johnson has recently returned from the Pacific coast, where

he has been for two years. The influenza is subsiding here. people try to make out that it came from Germany.

The jury session of court, listed for October 7, has again been postponed

Winter wheat on the Prairie and Old The funeral was held at the home Oaken Bucket farms has a vigorous, on Wednesday afternoon at two

thrifty green that looks like helping towards that 1,000,000,000 bushels of wheat for 1919, which just missed

John A. Taylor is Y. M. C. A. secre ary at one of the large base camps. Within five minutes after reporting at Y. M. C. A. headquarters in Paris he was assigned to educational work at this large camp. The head of the educational activity is Dr. Erskine, a former instructor of Mr. Taylor's at Amherst. Mr. Taylor writes that he nas found among his colleagues at this camp a John A. Saum and another John Taylor.

Westford is considered as truly a bunner town in Northern Middlesex county. In every loan it has gone way over its quota, and each time the quota is larger. This time it was \$220,000 and the amount subscribed \$220,000 and the amount subscribed was \$479,700. Of this amount \$200,000 was taken by the Abbot Worsted ompany. The number of subscribers were 448.

We quote the following from the Zion's Herald, October 16: Orion V. Wells, M. D., younger brother of Rev. D. B. Wells of the Vermont confer-ence and Rev. G. F. Wells of the New conference, died October 4, at Westford, of pneumonia, after four illness. He was converted in 1898 upon entering Wesleyan, at Middle-town, Conn., and was a member of the Methodist Episcopal church in his native town, Bakersfield, Vt. He had Bishop Cal. been first lieutenant in the Medical Mrs. Long corps of the M. S. G., was a member of the examining board at Ayer, and as a volunteer had passed examinaions and daily expected his commis sion in the Medical Reserve of the United States and expected soon to be serving his country in France.

The many friends of the late Mr. and Mrs. Edward Craven will be in-terested to hear of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs. Leon Calvert of Erie, Pa. Mrs. Calvert was Eva Craven, the youngest daughter of the late Edward The baby has been named Edward Craven Calvert in honor of the grandfather. He was born September 7. Mrs. Calvert is a sister of Mrs. Robert Elliott and Mr. Calvert is related to the Calvert family.

Westford people who used to hear Rev. C. E. Spaulding preach in the M. E. church at West Chelmsford will be interested in the honor which has come to him. Rev. Dr. Charles E. Spaulding, superintendent of the Wor-cester district of the New England onference, has been selected as one of a deputation to visit the annual conference of the Methodist Episcopal church in South America and the leading mission stations, to make a study of the work of the denomination in that continent.

The State Board of Health of New York has gone after the present epidemic with a money punch, making it a fine of \$500 for a person to sneeze or cough in company without placing the hand over the sneeze or cough provided it could not be avoided. Well all cough sneezing will plead unavoidable, hence no fines. If government desires to make a cleaning up of unsanitary conditions, let it go back to first principles that lay the foundation for coughing and sneezing epidemics. Let it insist on more and better, yet inexpensive ventilation and

larger inlet of sunshine in the rooms. The Unitarian church will open again on coming Sunday. Mr. Buck-shorn will preach on "The casting out

f fear." The services begin at eleven

By cable comes the word from Pari that Corp. Arthur E. Blodgett, Co. E. 101st Infantry, of Medford, was com-missioned a second lieutenant. He was n the famous drive of the 26th division which completed a five-months period of trench duty and drive activi-He spent ten weeks at the army candidate school and received his com-Lieut. Blodg mission on October 14. ett saw service on the Mexican border with the Lawrence Light Guards of Medford. He was made a corporal just before the guard went to Fram-

est son. Kenneth, who live on the Providence road, were returning from a trip to Medford. On the Bedford How they did cheer the American road, near Sleepy Hollow cemetery, in Concord, about eight o'clock in the evening, the car skidded from the evening, the car skidded from the over account men a month is going to eight hand side of the road to the left. Mr. Green had no time to stop the car before it had crashed through the car before it had crashed through

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people and owned a Mr. Pitkin may off the employ of some time Mr. Green has been f the H. E. Fletcher Co. gational church she was married by William E. Green. She leaves city The DF to a rithme to posset William E. Gree . She leaves cit? Clock pushed limetable as an all ear children, two rows and six girls, the round schedule, after passing the sent click two years old. Mrs. Green was possed further consideration after a sessed of a most winning way. Someoners and after October 27 we was order and unassuming but they as a mother, possessing a really we derfil way with her children. was always spoken of by those we knew her. She was patient, chee-

and tactful—a real mother—and seems and to think of those childs bereft of such a mother. mother of children can realize who busy woman Mrs. Green must have been. Mrs. Green was thirty-one been. years of age. Besides her husbar, and children she leaves several broth ers and sisters.

knew her.

o'clock, Rev. David Wallace, of Ster ng, her former pastor, conducting the ling, her former putter, conducting the service. He spoke most beautifully of her as a splendid mother and wife and then read the poem, "He giveth his beloved sleep." Mrs. Greig and Mrs. Jamet Wright sang two selections, "No sorrow there" and "The christian's Mrs. Jamet Wright." The hearter were Mrs. The bearers were Mr. Judd, Arthur Day, Ralph Bridgeford, and James O'Brien. There were many beautiful flowers. The interment was in Fairview cemetery.

That same night, about one elock, another atuo accident happened in Westfield, the slippery road again being the cause. A seven-passenger lit-ney, owned by Lewis Rayball, skidded on the state road and turned over onto its side, going over a wall into a field.

Three soldiers from Camp Devens were n the cur, one of whom was badly in-

How widely across the space of time the tie of Westford hold its children. More than half a century ago a little boy left the house now owned by Alec Fisher, made an honorable and distinguished, place for himself in the middle and far west, and last week came back and buried his beloved wife in the old family lot at Fairview. We refer to Albert N. Longley, the distinguished hat maker of Chicago and

Mrs. Longley died in Chicago, Ill., on the 16th of October, after an extended illness of two years. Despite her invalid condition, she was an interested worker in the Red Cross, and gave of herself and means generously to help in our war work. Her maiden name was Ellen Therese Bancroft, and she was born in Canada, May 4, 1865. Most of her childhood was spent in Boston. When she was married to Mr. ongley, the couple moved west where their residence has been in Bishop, Cal., for many years. She was a woman of fine principles and beloved by many for her strong character and

ovable ways. Mrs. Greig and Mrs. Charles Wright sang at the funeral and Mr. Buckshorn conducted the services.

After the services Mr. Longley and

his party went up to Alec Fisher's residence. They found it much hanged. Mr. Longley was unable to ind the window pane on which in the ygone years some member of his fum. had scratched the name Longley Your correspondent spoke to Mr. Fisher later. He remembers the window er later. ind the name very well. It was in the dining-room as used by his father and mother before their death. The window was removed some years ago vhen Mr. Fisher made extensive al

terations. Mrs. Longley is survived by her hus band, her sister, Mrs. J. M. Jones, o West Lynn, and three brothers, Ned Frank and Irving Bancroft.

#### Letter from Overseas

The following letter, dated London. September 1, has been received by Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Taylor, from their son John, and may prove of interest to his friends in this vicinity:

Dear Father and Mother-I am very tired tonight after a busy day sightabout London, but as I leave tomorrow for France, I know you will want to hear a few of my impressions of England. What I have to write will be rather meagre and rambling, for time and energy will not permit a terary effort: Of course, the first thing that im-

resses one as he comes to he lack of man power. This metropolis alone has given over a million men to the army and navy. Take that number out of New York and imagine what would happen! As I landed at the station the first thing I noticed was young girls smashing the haggage, and then on the street I saw them driving motor trucks, collecting fares on the buses, operating the im-mense lifts (elevators) to the tube that the English girls are not the deep-bosomed strappers we are accounted to see in the States. I church again, this time to Westminster of the solid series of the solid strappers and commander of control hospital No. 9 at Robert, Frice, iet. Crile's letter told vividity of the Fourth of July celebration where he was.

Mrs. Harold W. Bildreit and see the solid series are not the deep-bosomed strappers we are accounted to see in the States. I don't think our American women will strength women will don't think our American women will strength women have experienced. I wish you could have seen which these English women have experienced. I wish you could have seen the wistful looked to the wistful (subway), and doing other types of heavy labor and you must remember that the English girls are not the troops as we marched up from the decks. They feel that our sending decks. the over 300,000 men a month is going to

a fence and down a twenty-foot embankment, turning turtle and landing in a ditch. The slippery road from the falling rain and a flat tire caused the sidden accident, probably.

The occupants of the car were panned under it and powerless to have the sidden accident. The occupants of the car were penned under it and powerless to help themselves. Mr. Green should for help but car after car passed by with out hearing his frantic cries. Finally, the assembling point for the whole A.Mr. Conant. of Littleton, who was passing more slowly, heard the cries. Strand or Piccadily you will see soltube, hotel—you see scarcely any out of uniform. In comparison, York city has no soldiers at all.

The other day four trucks full you a few of the many anecdotes which Sir John Burns told us.

This afferment I have also been out ers from all over the world, have the follows wearing three had stripes one for each Man wounds. Many of them ture old men due to the ex-

about to embark for or back on a furlough, you can a problem the Y. M. C. A. ver organizations have to care Another war-time characteristic, for with the happenings in and about the Another war-time characteristic, for with the happenings in and about the fourse this is no longer the London bloody tower. I saw the very block and axe where many a distinguished to be a long to the food scar-like the foo

but we Americans are gluttons, cramming our stomachs full all the time. Here, the people have had to come to tringent food rations. It is practical impossible to get sugar, butter cream and meat. Being a guest of the hotel here I can get a little butter at breakfast and some times a pinch of sugar, but at the restaurants you can't get them for "fun, money or marbles, Nor can you get any meat unless you have a ration coupon book, furnished by the government. But the point I want to make is that the one complains; we understand those conditions are unavoidable. I heard grumbles to the conditions are unavoidable of heard grumbles to the conference of the conditions are unavoidable. ing in New York on every corner, but I haven't heard a cross word spoken in England. The courtesy and geniali-ty of the Britisher has been a big surprise to me. In answering questions, glying directions and in conducting conversations they are extremely polite and affable. For instance, this morning when I came out of St. Paul's cathedral, a prince-Albert, silk-hat Londoner came up and asked me how I liked the service, and if he could give any information to the lads from the States. Of course the English people are overjoyed in having us come over to help finish the war. They can't do nough for us, so they say.

It is not easy to get about London at night, for it is practically city; the window shades have to be all pulled, and only a few dingy street lamps are kept going, and these are lackened over on top. You under stand this is a necessary precautior against the air raids. There have no been any for four months, but they are apt to break out at any time. In going about the city I have seen severa

buildings damaged by the shells. I am also annoyed a bit by the fact that here the traffic all turns to the left. I fear Reuben would have some difficulty in making his Ford always turn to the left. There are comparatively few automobiles to be seen here. Joy riding, even sight-see-ing buses, are absolutely prohibited Only motors in the army service or on necessary business can pass. Imagine the New York Joy-riders being requested to refrain for just one day in order to save petrol (gasolene). What a howl there would be! The English people are intensely serious about the war and take those requests gracious

I have always heard much about the beautiful scenery of England. even so I never dreamed that the was such a veritable garden. shall never forget the ride up to condon from Liverpool. Such lovely verdant fields, and such substantial country estates. There was not a touch of autumn in the landscape except for the barley fields all shocked and ready for the harvest. I wonder if it is the English fors or the damp dimate which keeps the fields so fertile and luxurious. created fairer country fields, but d have not come upon them yet. This glimpse has made me want to travel ut through the lake country, where out through the lake country, where whatha and the Camerons went and then over to Bonnie Scotland. Perhaps I shall before I return. Yesterday another "Y" man and I strolled through the famous Kew gardens and then took a boat up the Thames river far as Hamnton Court. This poras far as Hampton Court. This por-tion of the Thames is exquisitely beautiful, with all the summer homes on either bank, the well-kept gardens, the maint tea-rooms, the restful house boats and the happy overs out in their cosy canoes. Such a scene of rare and placid beauty makes the forget for a moment about the awful presence of war. Hampton Court is an immense historical estate. You remember that 'ardinal Woolsey built this and gave to King Henry VIII. For enerations it was the court residence

of the royal family. Now it house, interesting relics of the past. I have had opportunity to go about London quite a bit. Today l attended morning service at the famous St. Paul's cathedral. I don't wonder that t took the architect, Sir Christopher Wren, practically a life-time to build Right beside me was the spot here Browning and Tennyson were stried, and the bust of our beloved engfellow kept beaming down on me

As the massive organ pealed out its ich tones I found myself dreaming ick into the memories of the traditions that have made England great.

the traditional spot where Julius lesar crossed in 55 B. C. I can now relaim, "I stand where Cæsar stood." The other day a rare privilege came a few of us Y. M. C. A. men. Sir in Burns, a distinguished ex-cabine nassing more slowly, heard the circs. Strand or Piccadily you will see soluted and he, with others, cause to the research of the circs. There are the Scotch of the circs of t ember, escorted us all through the the rative Tommies with their canes and swaggering, lilting walk. No matter where you go—church, theatre. of emotion came over me as I where Burke made his able plea in behalf of the American colonies, and day I see hundreds of men in again when I stood where Oliver onvalescent suits, often crawl-cut on crutches and all bandag-cut on crutches and all bandag-Cromwell was proclaimed protector of licited

> most of the soldiers come to Hyde Park and the Kensington array furloughs of fourteen at available time I have I array and the Kensington gardens and the Kensington palace loved the sunken at available time I have I where Queen Victoria was born and at the Y. M. C. A. (Amerility, where I can chat with lived until her coronation. Yes, and have actually been to Buckinghan have actually been to Buckinghan hat King George and Queen Bown at Windson just now nonce, and often as many as the laws unable to chat with the laws unable t then. He I enjoyed going through the results thies. All the horses were not all we saw only about 150 of them. are old men due to the ex-hardship. I fear some of And we saw oil the costly saddles and he incapacitated for civil life royal transpans. The royal carriage, war ends. be incapacitated for civil me weighing tear tons, and drawn by war ends. here thousands of troops here eight what horses, was quite a curiosity. This was made for George III and has been used at every corona-tion since. There is a fascination about royal grandeur, but still I couldther organizations have to care there organize and fulfility of such expenditure. Day before yesterday a guide took us all through the Tower of London. This is quite a modern building for entire could shoot dead or other dispose of these diseased, harlots dead or a the soldiers, and he a blessing to the soldiers, and he a blessing to the soldiers.

PERFECTION
OIL HEATERS A Triangle Triale Mark head." I prefer the insipid present. Last evening I enjoyed another unusual privilege. At the Y. M. C. A. hut I heard E. H. Sothern and Mary Anderson (long since retired from the stage) in scenes from Macbeth. How good it seemed to hear a bit of Shakes peare on his own soil. And then A'dmiral Sims was present and spoke to "the boys" in a most charming man ner. His humorous steries just capti-vated the soldiers. Many of them were mild hits on the British Tommie

say good-bye to chill.

and that brought out whoops of laughter. Had I the space and you the patience I would retell some of then Tomorrow I expect to sail across the channel and journey down to Paris. I should like a few more days in London, but still I am anxious to get a my work. letter or two awaiting me. The Y. M C. A. publishes a small news sheet every day giving scraps of American Aside from this we must onl conjecture what is happening back home. The London papers give practically nothing except the war-front

I am stopping here at the Imperial hotel at Russell square. Of course you remember just where that is, a couple of blocks from Wright & Fletcher store. Whom should I meet in the lebby last right but an Errerson cel ege classmate of mine. . M. C. A. uniform and is to do canteen work in France. How good it is to meet old friends in a land beyond the seas.

The rext letter I will endeaver to

uch undue prolixity.

John Adams Taylor

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#### TOWNSEND

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Rev. John O. Long has been trans-ferred to Townsend from Ashland, where he has been preaching since April. He is a western man, born in Northwestern Kansas in 1895. He who, upon receiving it, will apply to moved with his parents in 1900 to the state of Illingia and way adjusted in upon presentation of the Christmas places in Illinois, in New Hampshire and Massachusetts. All members and friends of the M. E. church are cordially invited to attend the church services and meet the new pastor.

The total subscription of the fourth liberty loan credited to Townsend is \$119,700. The town's quota was \$82,000. The population of the town is about 1800.

George L. Whitcomb and Mrs. Irving A. Seaver have been appointed a committee for the home service sec-tion of the Red Cross. Their work will be to render assistance of any kind to the boys and men who are about to leave their homes for the camps or navy and also to their families during their absence.

Mrs. Mary Sherrin, who has so street. Mrs. Etta Sanders, nurse, is of written matter under the postal taking her place at Mrs. Ball's. Mrs. Arthur Bliss, who has been spending the summer at the Sherrin cottage, has returned to her home in Needham, and her friends are glad to learn that she is improved in health.

Russell Walker and family, of Lynn, were the guests this week of Miss Carrie Walker, Townsend hill.

Frank Jefts and family are planning to move soon into the Shattuck house, and Charles Russell and family will occupy the house vacated by Mr. Jefts.

The sad news was received Wednesold, of Company B. 4th Ploneers. It is believed that he died from influenza on a transport on the way to France.

Mr. and Mrs. France their two children, who His death comes as a double shock to his wife, who lives in Fitchburg, and to his mother and brothers, as Sergt. Dudley's brother, Charles Dudley died ten days ago from influenza. It is expected that the body will be shipped home and the funeral announce

It is expected that the schools town will reopen on Monday. The public library will be open this week Saturday at the usual hour and the Sunday services resumed at the churches on Sunday.

Mrs. Henry Bailey, Mrs. Albert Burgess and Mrs. Dana Burgess, from Leominster, were the mid-week guests of Mrs. Della G. Morgan.

Miss Annie Boynton, of Swampscott is visiting with Mrs. Abbie Barber on Townsend hill.

Miss Arlene Clarke, of Peabody, was the week-end guest at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Clarke.

Edwin Smith, of Brookline, N. H., has been the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Wallace. Private Ralph Bush, of Camp Dev

ens, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Bush.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning Rev. A. L. Struthers' sermon subject will be "Morale." At the Methodist church the newly appointed minister, Rev. John C. Long, of Boston university, will occur by the pulpit and his Sunday morning theme will be "The challenge to the church of today." Evening sermon at seven o'clock, "Personal influence." There will also be their usual prayer service in the church vestry on Friday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Cards have been received announcing the engagement of Miss Florence Isabelle Powers, of Springfield, and Fred Eugene Woodward. Miss Powers is pleasantly remembered as formerly living in Townsend, a high school graduate and formerly employed as clerk in the B. & A. D. Fessenden

Mr. and Mrs. John King are receiving congratulations upon the arrival of a little son into their home

Private George Winchester, of Camp Upton, N. Y., is enjoying a furlough in town with his wife at the Home of Robert Dobson, and at the home of his parents, Squannicook Inn. West

Mrs. McClelland, U. S. public health nurse, is stationed in town, whose services can be secured by those desiring assistance during the influenza

service and left Tuesday for Fort

Agnes Halisey has been ill with ton-silits.

Mrs. Annie Glibert, who has been convalescing from the Spanish influenza at the home of her mother in in Bert Farrar's restaurant.

Preaching services were resumed at the Methodist church last Sunday after being closed for four Sundays, and Rev. J. Long, of Boston university, occupied the pulpit.

Miss Florence Kirby, who died from influenza at her home in Fitchburg on Monday, was quite well known in town, having gained many friends while visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Josselyn at the Harbor. It is of interest to know that Mrs.

Ellen Estes picked from her garden this week a large bunch of ripe red

Word has been received by relatives and friends in town announcing the marriage of Lieut. Farke H. Struthers of the Aviation Corps, and Miss Mildred-Morgan, of New York, on Octo-ber 1. Soon after their marriage Lieut. Struthers left for overseas service. Lieut. Struthers is the son of Rev, and Mrs. A. L. Struthers of this town. The bride is the daughter of Lawrence Morgan, of Townsend Har-Townsend friends extend congratulations and best wishes.

Christmas Parcels for Men Abroad.

The families of men in service abroad have been longing for some means of making Christmas overseas as merry a one as conditions permit, Sensing this desire the war department has decided that each man may receive from his family a Christmas package of standard size and ap-proximately standard contents. The amount of shipping space which has Hancock, N. H., to Boxborough, stop-been set aside for the transportation ped at the Squannicook Inn on Tuesof Christmas parcels will permit the day night.

sending of but one parcel to each man and to make sure that each parcel will be correctly addressed, a Christmas

state of Illinois and was educated in upon presentation of the Christmas the public schools, graduating from parcel label they will receive one carthe Watsaka high school in 1912, and ton, 3x4x9 inches in size. The carton from Illinois university in 1915. He may be filled with any combination of came to Boston in the fail of 1916 and articles which will fit in it and which has spent the last three years in the Boston School of Theology, in which partiment. They contents must not institution he is now in the senior bulge in the container; weigh the fill-year. He has preached in various ed carton unwrapped, which must not places in New Hermathan weigh more thanking pounds and set of the container. weigh more than two pounds and fit-teen ounces. When completely pack-ed and ready to be malled the weight of the carton must not exceed three pounds. Remember, the parcel may receive rough usage; wrap it up in heavy wrapping paper and the secure

ly.

When the parcel is wrapped the inspector obtains from the person send-ing the parcel the Christmas parcel label received from overseas, bearing the name of the man to whom it is ice will not accept a parcel without this label -each man is to receive jus

postmaster or his representative, affix faithfully cared for Mrs. Sarah Ball stamps sufficient to carry the parcel to present a member of the household of Mrs. Martha Homer, set sail from Livest and is at her home on Brookline the postoffice forbids the forwarding erpool to New York, July 15, accommailed later than November 15.

Miss Gladys Newell, who has been with her grandmother, Mrs. Henry B. Hathaway, and attending the Townsend high school, returned to her home in New Ipswich, N. H., last week, to await the reopening of the schools She has now returned here.

There have been three cases of in-fluenza at the town farm in the family of the overseer, Mrs. Ensor and he day by Mrs. William Dudley, of this two children having been seriously iii. town, of the death of her son, Sergt. Edwin E. Dudley, thirty-eight years ton, although at last reports he was cold of Company B. 4th Playears.

> Mr. and Mrs. Frank Adams their two children, who have spent the summer at their form on Bayberr hill, have closed the place and returned to Boston for the winter.

> Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Frye moved on Monday to Boston, where Mrs. Frye is oyed. Their household goods taken by automobile Tuesday employed. norning.

daughter Una, from Nashua, N. H., were visitors in town on Sunday.

Frank Stickney, under the supervi-sion of P. W. Sawtelle, has been mark ing and surveying lots in the new part of the West Townsend cemetery on the nd recently purchased from J. C. Hodgman,

Miss Marion Boutelle, who has been at her home on Bayberry hill, has re-turned to her duties as teacher in the high school, which opened this week George Upton has been unable to attend to his duties at the mill for a number of days on account of a severe ittack of rheumatism,

Mrs. M. O. Prime, from Ayer, a former resident here, has been visiting some of her old friends in town this

· Private, John . Eldredge, who was at nome on a leave of absence to attend the funeral, services of his mother, Eldredge, returned last week to his post at Camp Sevier, South Carolina.

Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Hodgman, who have been spending a brief vacation in town, returned last week Fri day to their home in Lewiston, Me., accompanied by Abbott Hodgman, who will spend his vacation with relatives in that section.

Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence has return d from a visit to her brother, Daniel Taylor, of Ashby.

Mr. and Mrs. John Manchester and child, from Franklin, N. H., have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew J. Manchester.

Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. and one guest present. The president. Mrs. Oscar Lovering, introduced the new president for the ensuing year. Mrs. Mubelle Wilson, who presided over the meeting. An interesting program was enjoyed and the meeting then adjourned for two weeks, when they will meet again at the home of Mrs. G. A. Seaver, who will have charge of the meeting, the subject being "Peter, the Great."

Mrs. Hattle Blood, who has been spending the fall in Fitchburg, has returned to her tenement in the Tenney

There was a try-out of the Squanni-ook steamer company at the bridge on Main street, just above Thompson's mill, last Saturday evening. Word has been received from Alden

A. Sherwin, somewhere in France, that he has been wounded through the thigh, besides receiving numerous cuts and bruises in a recent battle. The letter was written by him on September 16, and stated that he was doing nicely and would send particulars when he arrived at his destination.

This letter was not reactived by the This letter was not received by the family until Saturday, October 12, and behind their schedule, having been

joined him at his home here. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Elliott are assisting at the town farm, where Mrs. Ensor and her two children are ill

with Spanish influenza. Mrs. Nancy Brown, who has been visiting her son, Roy Brown, has re-

turned to the Center. W. A. Boutwell, who has been very Ill with the Spanish influenza, is abled dren during the trying hours of danhis time at his store. G. M. Streeter has had the charge of the postoffice during his illness and Mr. and Mrc.

Charles Hodgman have carried on the order route on the outskirts. The Ladies' Whist club held their first meeting of the season at the home

of Mrs. Ernest G.-Wilson Parties driving a herd of cattle from Adams and Miss Myrtie Adams, from on Wednesday.

The public schools will to

Monday and the library to et narroom will be open on Saturday afternoon and evening at the usu it hours to receive and distribute book. Rev. Joseph McKean will breach

Sunday morning at the Baytist church on the topic, "Faith and works," and The first meeting of the season of

the Ladies' Mission circle was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lucy Lawrence and was presided Mrs. Lucy Lawrence and was presided ever by Rev. Joseph McKean, who held a very enjoyable informal session, taking up the topic of "Conservation." The subject of the next monthly meeting will be "Efficiency," and the place of meeting will be announced later.

A Trying Experience.

That the thrilling experiences of the great war extend even into the little villages of New England is shown in one package. The person sending the parcel shall then, in the presence of a Red Cross representative, among whose members shall be the local

Mrs. Elizabeth Hendrie, who is a panied by her niece, and gives a most interesting account of her terrible ex-

She said that evidence of war time was manifested in the small number of passengers, most of them men, only nine women and four children being on board, and in the life-boat drills. which commenced on the first afternoon out, the passengers in groups of twenty being given their life preservers and instructed in adjusting them, and they were also assigned their places in the boats should emergency arise. Mrs. Hendrie was assigned to lifeboat No. 6 and her niece to No. 7 on the opposite side of the deck. They were convoyed by about twenty battle-ships, but on the morning of the 17th

sitting on the deck conversing with a Belgian lady, whose daughter had stepped into the ship's library for a book, when at just 8.45 there came a most terrible explosion and the steamtrembled from end to end and stopped, and the passengers realized that the dreaded disaster had oc-curred. Mrs. Hendrie said that with the exception of the Belgian lady, giv-

ing one call for her daughter, no one spoke a word and not a sound broke the stillness save the patter of feet as the passengers rushed for their assignd places, with no confusion or excite-She, with great presence of mind.

rushed to her stateroom and seized her long coat and the bag containing ier passport, money and valuables. Delayed by getting into the wrong stateroom in the darkness of the corommission by the shock, and struggling to get the life belt in place over her heavy coat, when she reached the station for lifeboat No. 6 she found the boat had gone and the waves were already washing over that side of the Two of the crew then her in charge and she was placed in the last life boat to leave the sinking

ship. There were two of the stewardesses and another woman in the boat with her and they were scarcely afloas when they discovered it was rapidly filling with water, so they had to be transferred to one of the other boats, all of them within halling distance of each other. At this time she learned that her niece was safe in one of the other boats, although they did not meet until that evening, and her niece had had the experience of seeing the

U-boat which was marked U-40.
While the convoy was giving chase to the U-boat the life boats withdrew Manchester.

The Shepherd children, who have to a safe distance and the passengers but says it did not take him long to The Shepherd children, who have been keeping house at their home in Josselynville, returned to Hubbardston, where their parents are for the present, to await the reopening of the schools.

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where they were tenderly chied for and the women were given the captain's cabin and every courtesy ex-tended them. They reached Liverpool on the following evening and were greeted and cheered by a large crowd and were provided for at the Cunard building and a sufficient sum allowed them to supply their wants for the time, as most of them lost all they had, many not taking time to rescue their valuables. That sight they were given rooms at the various lotels and next morning the long line of passengers were reviewed to the Cunard officers and those still desirous of crossing were transferred to the Canadian-Pacific steamer, the Missana-ble, which sailed the following week, as no official notification has yet been fecelved, they are hoping for news of his speedy recovery.

herind their schedule, having been warned several miles off her course a number of times by the wireless reports of submarines.

Private George Winchester, from Camp Upton, N. Y., was home for a brief furlough at the Squannicook Inn, and Mrs. Winchester, who is with her parents at the Center for the present, in the land him at his home here.

Missanahie was struck by a torredgroup. ports of submarines. Life-boat dril Missanabie was struck by a torpedo on a former voyage and on her return trip she, too, was torpedoed and sunk, Mrs. Hendrie paid special tribute to the kindness and courtesy shown to the unfortunate survivors, both in England and in the New York custom house, as well as on the ships, and special mention was also made by her

of the courage of the women and chil-

Recent Guest.

Clytic Roberta Worcester, from Boston, a noted teacher of the Kaballah (the oral law) and the originator of the famous C. R. Worcester science of names, number, symbols, and color vibrations, has been a recent guest at the home of Dr. Clara A. Warren, and on Sunday evening she gave an in-formal talk to a party of friends at the home of Miss Warren, touching

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Morse, from briefly but interestingly upon the vari-Peterboro, N. H., with Mrs. William ous phases of her different lines of ous phases of her different lines of work upon the laws of attraction, color vibration, cause and effect, regenera tion and upon her own marvelous system of the science of names, num-bers, symbols and color xibrations, which she illustrated with the the of a small blackboard. The audience heartily enjoyed the evening and appreclated the kindness of the speaker in giving them an opportunity to be-come acquainted with her advanced views, and they showed their appreciation at the close of the meeting by a rising vote of thanks. Miss Worcester left on Monday evening for Boston and is soon to undertake a lecture tour throughout the country.

#### WESTFORD

Graniteville. All the churches were open for regular services here on last Sunday, but the services were somewhat shortened and the buildings were well ventilated.

At St. Catherine's church there was no Sunday school session, but the lessons will be resumed when conditions

Fred M. Defoe, who has been staion agent at the East Littleton depot for the past few years, has recently been transferred to the West Graniteille station on the Nashua & Acton branch of the Boston and Maine rail-Thomas E. Denio, the former station agent at West Graniteville, has recently taken charge of a station in Henniker, N. H., where there is a fine opening for him.

Fred Healy, son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Healy, has recently entered the Lowell Textile school, where he has enrolled in the students' training course.

Mrs. Hannah E. Harrington, who has been in Camden N. J., for the past few weeks, has recently returned to this village,

Edward T. Healy, who recently entered the navy, is stationed at Rock-

and, Me. Private Henry J. Healy, son of Mr. and Mrs. William J. Healy, who has been stationed at the base hospital at Camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., for camp Jackson, Columbia, S. C., for the past few weeks, has recently been transferred to Camp Merritt, N. J., and expects to sail for overseas duty soon. Private Healy is a graduate of ships, out on the morning of the little transferred to Camp Merritt, N. J. and expects to sail for overseas duty soon. Private Healy is a graduate of the Westford academy and was a students. breakfast table, who felt sure they dent at Clark university. Worcester, where he was specializing in chemistry when he was called to the colors. when he was called to the colors. He is a fine ball player and put up some great games for Graniteville behind

the bat last summer. George V. Hanson who recently oined the colors, has been sent to Fort Warren.

The grippe epidemic is on the wane ere. The ban has been lifted on the churches and school and in a few days it is expected that conditions will back to normal again,

Dr. W. H. Sherman has volunteered n the medical reserve corps and e pects to report for duty in the near

Forge Village.

Eva Milot, the four-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ephraim Milot, died at her home on Storey street last stateroom in the darkness of the cor-ridor, as the lights were put out of commission by the shock and other funeral took place on Sunday afternoon, with burial in St. Cather-ine's cemetery. Besides her parents ine's cemetery. Besides her parents she is survived by several brothers and sisters.

Edna Edwards, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards, was struck on the head with one of the swings at Cameron school on Monday Dr. J. D. Christie closed the wound with four statches. There was a meeting of the teach-

ers of the Sunday school of St. Andrew's mission list Sunday afternoon at 2.30. Rev. Angus Dun has outlined a very interesting program for the Sunday school the coming term. Miss Gertrude Comey has accepted a position in the station of the Bos-ton and Maine railroad and has al-

ready commenced her new duties. A very interesting letter has been received from Private Henry Read in

the Titanic.

After three hours' tossing upon the waves, with wet feet and suffering fearfully from seasickness, they were accepted a gostion in Ayer at the feet and suffering fearfully from seasickness, they were store of George B Turner & Son. Her associates here for so many years were sorry to lea an of her departure At a business meeting of the Red ms it was voted to hold their weekly meetings on Thurs Ladies' Sewing et day and it will conserve fuel to eet on the same

> Mrs. James H. Grown, of Clinton, pent the weeksen i at the home of her parents. Mo and Mrs John Mer. We

Miss Margare this village to the control of the past year, has keet to and left for New (8) with this village to the control of the control Camp Inves. been ordere ! this village, has a with the Canadians.

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After very careful study of local conditions and the effect of various methods of increase on other roads the directors have decided the best method to be to increase fares, as a war measure, from 5 cents to 61/4 cents by ticket and 7 cents cash. A tariff effective thirty days after its date providing for 7 cents cash fare and eight tickets for 50 cents is to be filed with the Public Service Commission at once as required by law.

Reasons which compel this action are apparent to all and hardly need explanation. On practically the entire street railway mileage of the state rates have been increased in order to meet rapidly increasing costs. Prices of everything have risen and in case of many kinds of material used by us have doubled and trebled. Coal, a gree item in our operating expense, has more than doubled. All sorts of iron products have doubled and even more and so on through the list. Wages paid have been very largely increased since the war in all departments. Further increases are requested by our employees and are necessary if we are to pay what the State and Federal Boards have felt to be fair in similar cases. This means a very considerable increase in our pay-roll which forms more than half our operating expense.

Increases in earnings, due largely to Camp Devens traffic, have made it possible for us, with practice of economy, to continue to operate on 5 cent fares. But the cost of operation is rising faster than increase in revenue.

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This company for many years has paid 6% on an absolutely unwatered capital stock and on the average has paid not over 5% upon its capital investment (including capital stock, bonds, and short time notes). All we are asking is a continuance of this reasonable return together with proper safe-guards for adequate maintenance of the property and integrity of the investment. This advance is a war measure and with a return to normal times we

expect the present rate will again be possible. The details, to be announced in ample time, are being worked out and we ask your co-operation.

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#### GROTON

News Items The Christmas cartons for the boys overseas can be procured after November 1 at the home of Mrs. Mark H. Blood, Court street. Under the Townsend items will be found an article giving all information about the Christmas boxes.

Mrs. James Hill has been entertaining her mother, Mrs. Hoyt, of Merri-

Mrs. Carrie Bruce and her sister. Miss Blanche E. Sawyer, formerly of Groton, who have been in Los An-geles the past summer, have gone to Arizona for the winter. They are lo ated in Kingman, where both hove positions with the Fred Harvey Co.

Paul Perrin, who has been seriously sick with pneumonia, is convalescent. His six-year-old son Frank contracted the same disease and has been very ill. He seems, however, to be improv-

Miss Lillian Kane has been enjoying an enforced vacation here from her school duties in Providence, R. I.

Walter Floyd is slowly recovering from an accident which occurred nearthree months ago when he broke both bones of his forcarm from a blow from a loose belt on a wood sawing machine. His arm is daily growing stronger, yet his hand still remains badly swollen.

Mr. Pitman of Intervale, N. H. moved last week into a part of Fred Sherwin's house. He will assist Mr. Sherwin in his farm work.

Harry Floyd, son of Mrs. Elizabeth Floyd, has enlisted as a merchant marine and is firing on the Betty Alden, which plies between Boston and Nantasket. He spent Saturday eventages the state of the ing in town with relatives.

Mrs. Ferrell of Lowell spent the day Wednesday with her daughter Irene at Mrs. S. P. McKean's.

James Dunphy, who has charge o one of the departments of the United Shoe Co. factory in Marlboro, has been spending a week recently at his former ome on Hollis street.

All brothers are requested to be present at the next meeting of Groton lodge, I. O. O. F., to be held Monday evening, October 28.

Mr. and Mrs. Dinsmore have recent ly left town and will reside in Worces-

Harry White, Common street, has closed his house for the winter and vill reside in Boston. Mrs. and Miss Chapman of Winches

ter are guests of Mrs., A. B. Farwell: Mrs. Charles H. Bartz and little daughters, Isabelle and Evelyn, of Greenfield are visiting her parents, Mr.

and Mrs. George H. Woods. Mrs. Jane Clark, who was so faithful in the care of her nephew, Gardner Simonds, who recently passed is in poor health, recovering away, is in poor health, re-from an attack of the grippe.

Fred May, who has been ill with the prevailing epidemic, is convalesprevailing epidemic, is convales-

As some of the members of the Neighborhood club have been out of health it was thought best to post-pone their regular meetings until later in the season. The regular sewing meetings of this club have been held during the summer and considerable work has been accomplished.

Miss Mildred Brown returned Friday to Springvale, Me., to continue her teaching at Nasson institute. The school having been closed for the past three weeks on account of influenza. Miss Brown has been sick with a grippe cold the first of her vacation. but was able to come home for the third week and returns much stronger

A party of Grangers enjoyed a delightful automobile ride to Southboro Thursday, where they attended a meeting of the Pomona Grange. Mrs. Adams, Mrs. Bishop, Mrs. Messenger and Mr. and Mrs. Brown were among those who enjoyed the day.

Airs, Lena Nuttina, having returned from her visit to Mrs. Guest of Brook-line, started Thursday morning on a trip to Virginia, where she will spend an indefinite time with her market.

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Mrs. G. A. Durant was called to South Hero, Nt., last Monday by the

illness of Mr. Durant's parents. Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Berry plan to close their house the first week of November and spend the winter with Mrs Berry's sister-inlaw, Mrs. John Moore, of Waltham.

Rev. John F. Kelleher, pastor of the Sacred Heart church for a few years. left town on Thursday and has been advanced to administrator of St. Bridget's parish in Lexington, succeeding Mgr. Hurley. Rev. William J. Reardon, senior curate at St. Columbille's parish. Prighton, will be the administrator of the Sacred Heart parish here.

Maj. Ackley, who has been wounded in service abroad, will teach mili-tary training at the Groton School. He will occupy G. A Durant's house ting in her days of health, Rev

James F. Moore, of Littleton, chaplain of the E. S. Clark post, Groton-died at his home last Sunday. The fu-neral, which was held in the Unitarian church, Littleton, Tuesday afternoor was attended by Charles H. Berry, Moses P. Palmer, John Condon, Watper Souther and Thomas Gilsen tren this town.

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quarantine Claude Farwell made a vesting seasons. tying visit to his parents for a few hours Saturday.

Mrs. Silas Northrup of Farmers row was the first entertainer of the Community club this season, when a good number was present and a pleasant afternoon was enjoyed. The next meeting of the club will be held at the good number was present and a pleas-ant afternoon was enjoyed. The next meeting of the club will be held at the home of Miss Fannie Taylor, Wednesday afternoon, October 30.

Only a few more days remain under the daylight saving plan. On next Saturday night people may plan to enjoy an extra hour of rest, for at two o'clock a. m., on Sunday morning all locks should be set back one hour. Capt. and Mrs. Barklee, who have been living at the Groton Inn for the past month, left town Tuesday morn ing for Kansas City, as Capt. Barklee

has been transferred there from Camp Devens, where he has been stationed n the Remount division. Capt. Barklee will buy horses and mules for the government while in the west.

Mrs. Frank F. Woods has been en-tertaining her friend, Miss Eleanor Williams of West Somerville, the past week.

George F. Lynch of Amherst, N. H., s entertaining his rister, Mrs. Samuel Williams, of Main street. Mason Shattuck, son of Mr. and

Mrs. Arthur Shattuck, who has been stationed at Newport, R. I., is now on the U.S.S. Massachusetts. Edward Aitken returned home Fri-

day morning from Hanover, N. H., where he was a junior at Dartmouth He has been ill with a cold, out is improving. Mrs. H. H. Gay received a letter from her son Lawrence, who is with the 101st infantry in France, stating

that he had captured thirteen Ger-mans. In this letter dated last July, he wrote "at last my dreams have large meeting was held at the

A large meeting was held at the Soldiers' club on West street in Ayer on Wednesday evening, under the auces of the W. C. C. S. It was ad dressed by Rev. Endicott Peabody and Judge George A. Sanderson. Charles B. Campbell, grandson of

Charles H. Berry, who enlisted in the Sanitary Corps last December, has received his commission as second liqu-

Clayton Sheedy has recovered from a recent attack of influenza and re-turned to his work last week. He will be located for the present at Pleasant

George A. Durant is about to move into the house recently vacated by Lee M. Reynolds, as he left town to live in Boston, having recovered from injuries received in an automobile accident this summer.

There will be a Red Cross meeting in the lower town hall on Tuesday afternoon; October 29, at three o'clock to elect officers and discuss plans for the work of the coming winter. It is hoped that everyone interested in the continuance of this important work will be present.

The deepest sympathy of the entire community went out to the bereath family when it was learned that the talented and beautiful young wife and daughter, Clara Robinson Woods, had passed on, after great suffering with bronchial pneumonia in its worst form with which she was stricken on Thursday, October 10, having come to Groton only seven days before, apparently perfect health, from Greenfield, with her devoted husband, for medical at-tention who was extremely ill with chills and fever and a badly bruised hand. Much sympathy has been ex-pressed on all sides for the mother

as indeed was also the fact that only short time before the end came Clara spoke particularly of her happy married life. She was unusually brilliant attractive and talented young woman having given freely to the public of her entertaining talents and lovinely remembered by her many friends, who will find it hard to become reconciled

their great loss. was born in Concord on Jul she was norm in Concord on July 25, 1892, was educated in the public schools of this tywn. She died on Sunday afternoon about two o'clock. She was united in manufacture. was united in marriage on July 18. The deceased is survived by husband, her parents, Mr. and Mrs William B. Robinson, and a brothe

Burton.

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Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chapman and investigation of available farm chinery and procured a reaper binder which proved valuable to om nunity in harvesting rye, who

Paul H. Wilson moved his family outs and barley. A threshing machine procured by the committee was also employed by a number of Groton farmers.

To meet the labor shortage the boys of the Groton School came to the fine service. About 100 others worked for longer or shorter periods dur-As the Harvard Cadet school is out ing the planting, having and har-

Mr. Farr, the efficient supervisor of the boy workers, reports that they carned a total of over \$3000, which

boys treated their 'willing help. The recent agricultural fair gave evidence that the crops were in general abundant and of high quality.

In closing this report the committee rishes to emphasize thus carly the necessity for yet greater efforts in food production the coming year. Whether the war ends before season or not our efforts must be increased, not diminished, and Groton able to surpass its previous productive records to almost as great an extent as she has just surpassed her quota of the liberty loan.

s, W. Sturgis, chairman Committee on Food Production.

#### Conservation Report.

Early in May a meeting was called in. Ayer by the Middlesex County Demonstration Agent of the Conservation Committee from the different towns in this locality. There, suggesthe different tions of all kinds were made, ques tions asked and answered and ways and means that other places had tried for the preservation of food were dis-cussed. I came away with the feeling that we must each study our own locality and adopt the methods best

for time and labor must be conserved too. We did not seem to need a canning kitchen or a food center, as ou people seemed to understand the sit-uation pretty well and could better do the canning and drying in their own kitchens, and this they have done with

excellent results. We held one public demonstration in the lower town hall on the "Use of flour substitutes," which was most

Lowthrope school had a two days' ourse on canning and drying and hey very kindly invited all those into attend,

During the summer literature along hese lines has been given out very cenerally and many questions have been answered.

The interest and comperation of the townspeople has been most gratifying and without this nothing could have been accomplished. Marion N. Torrey.

## Report of the Fuel Committee

The coal situation as we find it to-day is very satisfactory and we should eel truly thankful, for there are many cities and towns which have been far less fortunate than Groton. Facts relating to the coal year of

the Federal Fuel Administration to allot the town of Groton for this coal rear-4400 net tons of coal. This quantity of coal was allotted us, and we have the distinction of be-ing the only town in Massachusetts

The Groton Fuel Committee asked

o be allotted the full quota asked for by any fuel committee.

We are pleased to report that we

have placed orders, and they have been accepted, for our full quota of 4400 net tons. Since April 1, and up to the present

time we have received 49 cars of coal, aggregating 2102 net tons, or nearly one-half of our full allotment. The sizes received are as follows:

45 net tons of pea coal 599 net tons of nut coal

as net tons of stove coal

92 net tons of broken coal

2102 net tons total

The coal received has been deliv-90 separate coal orders have been filled.

coal orders have been separate partially filled and many these have had their two-thirds

separate coal orders have not had any deliveries made on them. It of these orders have been allotted coal to arrive and remaining-14 orders will have allotments, and deliveries during November.

One separate [coal orders have been received.

The Fuel Committee would call the ttention of each member of the Pubhe Safety Committee to certain important facts relating to the supply of the present time but more esfor at least two years to come. From the best reliable information obtainable and the greatest amount of foresight possible, based upon the facts and experience of the past eightths, the coal situation is as

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energies, in order to meet the essary to obtain the coal from the source available, which is the supply that has gane to the

cities and towns throughout the coun-

Each community must furnish its has long wished to visit Groton. Durshare of the total quantity required to ing her stay she plans to call upon her make up the deficit and this is the readaughter's friends and take a little make up the deficit and this is the reason why Groton's allotment will be made smaller.

As each community is affected by the shortage of coal so, also, will each consumer be affected, but in an equitable manner, share and share alike,

pie manner, share and share alike, To provide against this coal short-age in the near future the fine has now arrived when every householder should lay in a stock of wood to offset such shortage.

So far as the present coal year is concerned the Fuel Committee feel that they will be able to deliver to all consumers the full quantity of coal which they have ordered of them.

On the other hand, it is the patri-

otic duty of everyone to conserve their supply of coal to the uttermost by using as little as possible.

This, however, does not mean that no coal should be used until the win-

ter weather is fully upon us, but it does mean that constant conservation should prevail consistent with health and the character of the household, whether the inmates are young or old, feeble or sick. Use wood wherever and whenever

it is possible and there are many cases where wood can be used to great adantage: Remember yourselves, and tell your friends and neighbors, that a few sticks of wood in the morning will make a quicker and hotter fire for

during the extreme cold weather which we always have in this section of the country during the winter. Make a practice of sifting your coal, not once but several times until you have taken out of the ashes every par-

getting breakfast than a hod of coal.
Save all the coal you can for use

ticle of burnable coal.

Do not look upon the saving of coal as a hardship, but an opportunity to show your patriotism and willingness We were advised not to attempt to do "your bit" at home while "our boys" are doing theirs so well on the

Say this to everyone and help them understand what is the real mean ng of conserving coal as fuel. Groton Fuel Committee

Chas, Z. Southard, chairman. October 22, 1918.

#### To the Editor:

Groton's quota in the fourth liberty lean was \$200,000, a quota seemed impossible of attainment in the dark days of the beginning of the campaign. But difficulties which yould have disheartened many communities only spurred Groton to greater effort and the total amount scribed by 709 subscribers was \$348,-000. This is an achievement of which

the town may well be proud and which has made more secure than ever her position in the front rank of publicspirited, patriotic, liberty-loving com-It has given further tangible proof to the boys who are fight-ing overseas that they have our wholehearted support and cooperation.

The chairman wishes to thank the committee for their untiring efforts to

make the campaign a success and the citizens of Groton for their splendid esponse to those efforts. James D. Regan, chairman.

thout Town.

Miss Phyllis Masslatt is spending the veek with her aunt in Dorchester. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence E. Blood notored to Fitchburg last Saturday and returned Sunday,

Mrs. Jane E. Glark, is recovering nd is able to be out George H. Cook, 67, Nashua, has had double pneumonia at the home. of his parents in Fremont, N. H., is onvalescing.

Mrs. Emma Gerrish has leased her on Powder House road, and she and her daughter are to spend the winter in Boston. Lawrence Park and family

pending the winter in Concord, where their boys are attending school. The program at the meeting of the Grange on Tuesday evening was interfered with by illness and other things

November, postponed from October

Edward Aitken spent a few days in Boston this week. There were so few at the lecture on Monday evening that it was thought best not to tax the time and patience f the speakers, but it has been so ng since there has been an opportunity for one to get out to the hall or sewhere, it is supposed that it was quite forgotten. It seems too had that good speakers should not be greeted

with a good sized audience. Miss Alice Cleary, who taught in wich, N. H., last year, is this year teaching in Templeton. Mrs. Cleary, in the mill neighborhood, is quite sick with pneumonia.

Louis Sheedy is moving this week to one of the Charles H. Dodge teneents on Champney street. Miss Elizabeth Gibson has been ill

Mrs Mary J. Blood and her daugh-Miss Emma, are taking their an-

nual vacation, as they always do, for the month of October. Miss Dorothy Northrup, of Somer-

The many Greton friends of Mrs. H. siming, however, that the yearly H. Prast will syn pathize with her in chowever, that the yearly the loss of her only sister, and that remains the same, then, the loss of her only sister, and that of Groton and all other who was a table to be here with her

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a save mill. Allims, president of the Landburg Miss Lillian Warner re-XII ry, called a meeting laptical for school on Wednesday. the regular work a short other was held to plan for extension also for the three who are doing Red Cross The following ladies for this work: Mrs. A. Mrs. E. K. Harrington. Mrs. G. H. Bixby, Mrs. W. Ganley Miss M. C. Phick and Mrs. Jewett. A tecture with slides will be given by Mr. Garles at the chapel next Sun-

.... evening at 6.45.] waitan Islands " Subject, "Ha-The branch library reopened Wedresday. After this week it will be oper on Tuesdays and Fridays instead of Wednesdays and Saturdays. This change is made to conserve heat.

her duties she was accompanied by her mother, Mrs. Edward Wight, who trip to Camp Devens.

We wish to correct a mistake in last week's issue in regard to the subscriptions for a new communit ilag. Miss Harrington and Miss Park er did the work on their own initiative.

A. W. Adams is spending a few days in Philadelphia attending to bus-iness for the firm where he is employed.

Joseph T. Shepley arrived in town Monday night, He has been spending cleven weeks in Newport and Sheldon Springs, Vt.

Miss Evelyn Fernald is visiting with her sister, Mrs. George S. Webber, for a time, as the college in which she teaches in Delaware is closed on acount of the prevailing influenza.

Mrs. R. H. Burgess and Mrs. Bunn pent Wednesday in Leominster. William Bumpus of Boston has been visiting at the home of his sister, Mrs. Edward Hallet.

Miss Margaret Strachan, sister of George Strachan, of this village, exects to leave very soon for France as Red Cross nurse. Miss Strachan has completed a postgraduate course at Bellevue hospital. New York city, and vas one of four to be accepted from class of twenty.

Mrs. A. W. Adams will be at the hall n Thursday afternoons, Red Cross days, and will gladly explain to anyone who wishes to send Christmas boxes overseas, the size, shape and weight, the time to send, what can and what cannot be sent in these boxes. Mrs. A. W. Adams and Mrs. E. K. Harrington spent Wednesday in Low

A Red Cross ten will be served or Thursday afternoon, October 31; from four to five o'clock at the lower hall Mrs. Martha Tarbell received cards etters and gifts from relatives an friends on Thursday, October 24, that day being her eighty-seventh birthday. One gift was sent by her grand daughters, the Misses Elsie and Olive Tarbell, from Paris, France. A letter that gave the recipients much pleasure was received from Mrs. S. P. Dodge who lives with her daughter in Clinton during the winter months and spends her summers at her little home in Boxboro. Mrs. Dodge was formerly

a resident of West Groton. Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Malley have moved into the upper tenement of George H. Bixby's house on the corner of Main and Pepperell streets. Malley is employed at the paper mill.

West Groton's subscription to the fourth liberty loan totaled \$17,450 with 117 subscribers. This is an excellent record far surpassing the high standard set by the village in previous loans. The achievement is so notable that the chairman of the committee has asked for a separate honor flag for West Groton in recognition of its Speration and support. Special cred it is due to George S. Webber for his very efficient help in conducting the

#### TOWNSEND

Harbor. Arthur Saws left Friday morning for a military training camp in South

Carolina. On Tuesday at eleven o'clock Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Josselyn attended in Fitchburg the funeral of Miss Florence Kirby, a cousin of Mrs. Josselyn. The services were held at the grave. Rev. Gammack, rector of Christ church, of ficiated. Miss Kirby and her mother were frequent guests at Pinecroft and had many friends in this community among the ladies of the especially

Harbor Monday club. Mrs. Annie Andrews with her grandhildren, Mrs. Marguerite Quimby and

Edith Sargent, spent Thursday with Mrs. Elizabeth Spaulding. Word has just been received of the marriage of Miss Mildred Morgan and

Park Struthers. The following is taken from the Bos fered with by illness and other things that kept people at home. Plans were made for the coming fair to be held in November, postponed from tectober itary Boys' school of Billerica will open in November. Townsend Harbor has been elected aptain of the team, succeeding Hart well E. Cragin of Athol, who completed his course last year and who is miltary instructor of the school loseph Irving Bennett, jr., of Boston has been chosen eleven. Josselyn plays full back.

Ex-governor Spaulding of New lampshire was in town Thursday, Miss Hester Burdett returned on Tuesday from a short visit in Brook-

lyn, N. Y. A most interesting meeting of the As You Like It club was held on Tues day at Walnutgrove, the home of the hostess, Mrs. Laura Smith. The literary program included a piano duet by Mrs. C. A. Noyes and Mrs. F. E. Conant: selected quotations, readings, and a contest in similitudes; the latter Elizabeth Gibson has been [11] was provocative of much interest and attack of bronchitis, but is wit. Adjournment followed the serving of refreshments.

Mrs. Frazee has so far recovered as | Tillman R. Rice of West Pepperell to be able to move around the house has received the appointment to take from room to room.

offect the first of November of rural mail carrier from the Harbor office Mrs. T. R. Rice will be his assistant Born at Pleasant farm a son, Ralph Henry Eldie, to Mr. and Mrs. Clarce La Fountain.

> Miss Helen Higgins, expect to reopen their schools at Springfield, Vt., on Monday. and Mrs. Bisbee of Maine are guests of Mr. and Mrs. James Bennett a. Gossy Bank,

Mass Esther Bagley and her friend

Richard Keefe and family moved arsday to the Center. employ of B. & A. D. Fessenmp.ny. Me. Vaitle Gray and Miss Blanche began their respective schools

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The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Federated church will hold a Hal-loween party in the vestry of the church on Tuesday evening. October 29, at 7.30 o'clock.

Patrick Markham is the new janitor at the town house, beginning his duties Monday.

Notice has been served on the owners and occupants of business buildings daughter, Mrs. Lena H. Graydon, on on West Main street, east of the overhead bridge; and the building occupied by the Ayer Hardware Company on Park street, that the rate of insurance would be doubled on the more than a native of Milford; N. H., and was would be doubled on the more than a native of Milford; N. H., and was Park street, that the rate of insurance would be doubled on the property soon. The reason given for the advance in rates is the great danger of fire owing to the construction of the buildings and the large amount of debris scat-tered about which would furnish good fuel for a large fire.

E. E. Gray, the well-known operator of a large chain of grocery stores, has opened a store in Carley's new block on, Main street and is new ready for business. Albert L. Hatch, who has been amplicated. been employed as a motorman on the Lowell and Fitchburg street railway for the past eight years, is the manager of the new store. Mr. Hatch con cluded his duties with the railway company last Sunday night.

Mrs. Hannah Haley Kelleher, a resident of this town for nearly fifty years, died at her home on West. Main street, last Sunday afternoon. Death was the result of a shock. Mrs. Kelleher was born in County Cork, Ireland, and came here to live shortly after her marriage to John Kelleher, of Groton, nearly fifty years ago. She leaves two daughters, Mrs. Mary E. Barrett, and Mrs. Julia O'Meara, and a son, John H. Kelleher all of Aver. a de-John H. Kelleher, all of Ayer; a sister, Mrs. John Wiseman, and a brother, Patrick Haley, both of Groton; also, four grandchildren. The funeral was held on Tuesday morning with a requiem high mass at nine o'clock at St. Mary's church by Rev. Thomas Brennan. The bearers were George H. Barrett, William J. Barrett, Thomas O'Meara, Patrick Keating, of Ayer, Robert Wiseman, of Fichburg, and Corp. Leo Morrissey, of Camp Devens. The interment was in St. Mary's cemetery, Rev. Thomas Brennan performing the committal service.

Christian Science services are held every Sunday morning at 10.30 in Turner's block, corner of Main and Wash-ington streets. The subject for Sun-day will be "Probation after death." hTe reading-room for the general pub-lic, and the writing-room for soldiers are open every day from nine in the morning until nine in the evening, excepting Sundays and holidays, when they are open from one to nine o'clock. Testimonial meetings are held each Wednesday evening at 7.30.

The Ayer Electric Light Company is installing three new transformers at their plant on Lawton street to take care of the winter load.

Next Tuesday afternoon there will be an installation of officers of St. Paul lodg of Masons, by Lawrence Morgan, of Townsend, assisted by Dr. A. J. Atwood, of Townsend, as marshal. A dinner will be served at noon.

A regular meeting of Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., was held on Wed-nesday evening. The annual inspection of the chapter was made by Mrs. Emma B. Folsom, deputy grand matron, assisted by Mrs. Catherine C. Muir, deputy grand marshal, and suite. Nearly one hundred were present, many guests being present from Lady Emma chapter of Fitchburg, Temple chapter of Leominster, Jassa. mine chapter of Gardner and Hawthorne chapter of Concord. A fine supper was served by E. H. Bigelow, caterer. Remarks were made by visiting guests, which closed a very pleasant evening.

Bancroft Royal Arch chapter of Masons will hold a special convocation on next Tuesday evening! Work—Royal Arch degree. A lunch will be served.

Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will hold a special communication on Monday evening. Work-Master Mason degree.

Unitarian church—Sunday service at 10.45 in the vestry. Owing to the lack of any heating facilities whatever in the building, it has been necessary for safety to health to cancel serv-ices the last two Sundays. No other satisfactory hall being available, the attempt will be made on Sunday to secure heat by some temporary instal-

Junior Sanderson, son of Judge and Mrs. George A. Sanderson, enters Gro-ton School next week. He was not expected to enter until next year, but a vacancy occurred now.

The ban placed upon Camp Devens by the military authorities was lifted Thursday night, much to the pleasure of the soldiers and the business men, who have been greatly af-fected by the soldiers' confinement to the camp. The town has resumed its former activity with large numbers of soldiers on the streets during the evening. The camp has been closed to the town for several weeks.

George H. Blanchard, of New York city, has been appointed to the posi-tion of manager of the Soldiers' club He began his duties on Wednesday

Mrs. Walter A. McNulty died at the Groton hospital Thursday morning at the age of 29 years, 1 month and days. She leaves her husband and four children. The funeral services will be held this Saturday morning at the undertaking rooms of E. C. Page. The remains will later be taken to Exeter, N. H. A service will be performed by the W. R. C., of which the deceased was a member.

A party of six from Concord June tion, who came to the inspection ex-ercises of Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., Wednesday night, had a mishap on the way to Ayer when their auto-mobile broke down. They were obliged to walk two miles to Ayer, arriving so late that they were unable to at-tend the exercises and secured another car to take them home.

Private Thomas Slager of the 44th Company, 151st Depot Brigade, had his right arm so badly crushed in a railroad accident on Wednesday night, a short distance north of the Worces-

At the Federated church Sunday at 10.30 harvest sermon; at twelve, Sunday school. The Men's Bible class will be led by George L. Osgood. At six p. m., Sunday school harvest concert in the auditorium. After the concert the young people's meeting will be held in the yestry. Ralph Richardson, leader. ardson, leader. Thursday, mid-week meeting at 7.10. Tuesday evening, Halloween social at the church. Welcome to all.

Mrs. Maria A. Hamblett died Wednesday night at the home of her aged 78 yrs, 8 mos. and 21 days. She leaves a daughter and one grand-daughter. Prayers will be said at the house this Saturday morning at 8.30. The remains will be taken to Militard on the morning train. The interment will take place in that town at 1.30.

The Woman's Alliance will meet at the home of Mrs. George H. Hill on Thursday afternoon, October 31, at 2.30 o'clock. It is expected there will be Red Cross work and members having fancy articles for the union fair plaints—one for driving an automo are requested to bring them.

The Wild Rose troop of Girl Scouts went on a hike Thursday to the hills above Ayer heights. They made a fire out-of-doors and roasted potatoes and toasted bacon for their supper. For other Ayer matter see last page

Death.

Corp. Percy Wetherbee Fowler died last Saturday at Camp A. A. Hum-phries, Va., of pneumonia, after only week's tillness. His mother, who the young man was apparently imving. He was 22 years of age the before his death. The deceased was born-in Ayer, attending the pub-lic schools, graduating from the high school in the class of 1915. Later he attended the Waltham Business colattended the Waltham Business col-lege, after which he was successively employed by the Standard Oil Com-pany and I. G. Dwinell, as a clerk in his grocery store. Mr. Flower en-listed in the military service May 29, 1918, and was called for service on

His first pass to go home was given him the day he was taken to the hos-pital. One month ago he was pro-moted to the rank of corporal. He at-

The flag on the town hall was placed at half mast in honor of the deceased oung soldier.

He leaves his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fowler; one brother, Everett J. Fowler; his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel J. Wetherbee, all of Ayer, and his grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Fowler, of West Boylston.

The body was brought here, where functal services were held at the house Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. John R. Chaffee of the Federated church being the officiating clergyman. Mrs. Walter Sargent sang "Sometime we'll understand" and "Some sweet day." The bearers were William J. Barrett, Ralph Brown, John Griffin, Edmund Willis, Thomas Walsh and Corp, Clarence Chase. The interment took place in Woodlawn cemetery, where Rev. Mr. Chaffee read the committal service.

The following letter was received from his commanding officer:

was done for nim day.....
Very sincerely yours,
BERNON T. WOODLE,
(Capt. Engrs. U. S. A.) BEINON T. WOODLE, (Capt. Engrs. U. S. A.)

The following is a list of the flowers:

Spray of pinks, Katherine Keegan; spray of oroses, Pythian Sisters; spray of pinks, Mr. and Mrs. I. G. Dwinelt, wreath of rose buds and leaves, Miss and Mrs. K. Hennessey; spray of chrysanthemums, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wetherbee; spray of yellow dahlias, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wetherbee; spray of yellow dahlias, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Wetherbee; spray of yellow dahlias, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert V. Martin. Fall River: spray of pinks, roses, chrysanthemums, Mrs. John Wallace, Mrs. Harry A. Morse and Miss Mary Horigan: spray of out flowers, Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Fowler, Worcester: spray of mixed pinks, Douglas Smith: spray of mixed pinks, Douglas Smith: spray of pinks and chrysanthemums, Mr. and Mrs. Lilia Fowler and Mr. and Mrs. Cerney, West Brookfield: spray of mixed chrysanthemums, Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Berry and Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Berry and Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Berry, Clinton: spray of carnations, Mr. and Mrs. John Allison and Miss J. Allison; spray of roses, Frank A. Cash: wreath of galax leaves and pinks, J. W. Brown and family: spray of red roses, Misses Annie and Florence Colpitis, Chelmsford: appray of white asters, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Teenholm, Fitchburg: spray of mixed and Florence Colpitis, Chelmsford: spray of white asters, Mr. and Mrs. Harry Teenholm, Fitchburg: spray of lavender and white asters, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fowler: pillow, "Brother," Everett J. Fowler: standing piece, "The Boys," Thomas H. Walsh, Dewey P. Downing, Walter, Wand, James Jnell, John Ryan, Jerry Murray Frank Harry Teenholm, Fitchburg: spray of holds asters, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fowler: pillow, "Brother," Everett J. Fowler: standing piece, "The Boys," Thomas H. Walsh, Dewey P. Downing, Walter McDonnid, Irwin H. Pillman, Thomas Marshall, James Jnell, John Ryan, Jerry Murray Frank Harry John Case, William Barrett, John Kendall: Florce, John Case, William Barrett, John Alcalliffe, John Griffin, Edmund Willis, Mr. Freeman. The following is a list of the flowers:

District Court, Fred Smith, of Townsend, was found guilty last Saturday morning of the larceny of a pig and was ordered to pay a fine of ten dollars. It developed in the testimony that Smith sold the animal to another man named Smith, the latter claiming that he did not know that it was stolen. The last

his right arm so badly crushed in a railroad accident on Wednesday night, a short distance north of the Worcesicr. Nashua and Portland division crossing, that amputation, was necessary, the operation being performed at the base hospital, Camp Devens. He showed remarkable courage in walking showed remarkable courage in walking unassisted from the scene of the acci
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Fourth Liberty Loan.

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The way of peace." Sunday school at twelve. Service of song at 6.45; preaching at seven. B. Y. P. U. on Tuasday evening at 7.30. Mid-week prayer meting on Thursday evening at 7.30. Mid-week the federact.

her bad names.

On October 7, the time the second alleged assault was committed, the complainant stated that the defend. ant struck her and inflicted bruises upon her as a result of which she was obliged to remain in bed eleven days. Mrs. Mitchell, a servant at the Southard home, and Lester Adams also testified for the complainant. The defendant, testifying in his own

behalf, denied striking the complainant or calling her names. He stated that when she started to assault him he caught her by the wrists and gently pushed her away to prevent an assault upon him. E. Z. Southard, the

sault upon him. E. Z. Southard, the last witness, failed to add any material evidence to the case.

Judge Atwood stated that the trouble resembled "a tempest in a teapot." The evidence, according to the court, failed to justify a finding of guilty and discharged the defendant.

Fines aggregating \$150 were imposed on Walter Abdulla, of Lawrence, he being found guilty on three com bile on a public street at a rate of speed that was unreasonable and improper; one for reckless driving, and one for excessive speeding. He was fined fifty dollars on each of the threecomplaints which were drawn under a single statute. Chief Beatty was the complainant.

The court proceedings resulted from an accident to David Hubbard, who was run down by the defendant's automobile on the night of August 25, while Mr. Hubbard was driving from Ayer to his home in Sandy pond district. In the accident Mr. Hubbard was seriously injured and taken to the Memorial hospital in Nashua, N. H. His horse was so badly injured that it was necessary to kill the animal and the wagon was reduced to frag-ments. The case was continued from time to time to allow Mr. Hubbard to recover sufficiently to appear in court liness against the defendant. Chief Beatty, the first witness for

the government, testified to being noti-fied of the accident. When he ar-rived at the scene of the collision he found the scene of the collision he found the horse bleeding freely, lying on the side of the road, with large wounds on the head and body, and the wagon a wreck. Mr. Hubbard having been taken to the home of Mr. and tended the Federated church in which he was much interested, and was very popular with all who knew him.

The fer and the term hall was placed to the chief arrived. The scene of the accident was about fifty feet of the accident was about the control of the accident was about the accident was west of Gilson's corner, in the easterly part of the town. In conversation with Abdulla, the driver of the automobile, the latter said that he was traveling from fifteen to twenty miles per hour. The car was a Hudson seven-passenger machine. Abdulla further said that he turned to the right to avoid two other cars and did not see Mr. Hubbard until the collision occurred. Office Wallace testified

substantially the same as the chief.

Earl Farnsworth, who occupies what is known as the Gilson place. close to where the accident occurred, stated that he heard the crash of the automobile and the team and rushed to the scene. Mr. Hubbard was quick-ly taken to Mr. Farnsworth's home, where he was cared for while awaiting the arrival of a doctor who had beer summoned. A badly battered lantern which was on Mr. Hubbard's wagon when it was struck, was found by Mr. Farnsworth near the wagon. He also from his commanding officer:

Camp A. A. Humphreys, Va.

October 21, 1918.

Dear Mrs. Fowler—As commanding officer of the Camp Headquarters Detachment, of which your son was a member at the time of his death, I wish to express to you my deep sympathy in your loss, and in so doing 1 speak for the whole detachment as well, who have lost a good comrade, and a good soldier.

This epidemic has been a terrible thing, cutting off so many promising young men, as well as other people, in the camps over the country. Your son died in the service of his country as truly as though it had been on the battlefield, which is a cause for pride, even in your grief. It will comfort you to know that everything that was possible was done for him during his illness. Very sincerely yours.

BENOY T WOODLE.

the night of the accident in an ex-press wagon and kept on the right side of the road until he came to Gil-son's corner, when he turned to get onto the Sandy pond highway, which leads to his home. A lighted lantern was on the side of the wagon, showing light in either direction. When he reached this point he was struck by the defendant's automobile.

The defendant appealed and was held in sureties of \$200 on each complaint for his appearance at the November session of the superior crimi-nal court. The bail was furnished.

Five jitney drivers were arraigned Thursday, which is designated as "automobile day" on the court calwith the violation of the town bylaws requiring licenses for the opera-tion of automobiles for hire. Walter C. Blemis and Leo Roy pleaded not guilty to the complaints. They were guilty to the complaints. They were found guilty and fined ten dollars each. L. R. Galley pleaded guilty and paid a fine of five dollars. Two each.

others were discharged. The continued case of Edward J. Bassett for the larceny of two automobile tires was called The evidence became so complicated as to lead Judge Atwood to believe that others much be impristed by the president, Wesley W. Sargent its treasurer, Robert Wallis, and its counsel, C. H. Baker. Mayor Foss of Judge Atwood to believe that others McMahon, now may solicitor, representations the supplier of the company was representative times the proposition of the proposition of the proposition of the company was representative times. In company was representative times the proposition of The continued case of Edward J. Judge Atwood to believe that others Judge Alwood to believe that others might be implicated in the theft and to enable the police to further investigate the case, it was continued until this week Friday morning.

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The old case of whether or not the public has a right to pick up on the public highway fruit that has fallen from the trees of an abutter onto the highway was brought to the attention of the court fee disposition. The de-endant was Hector Hant, of South Hadley Falls, who was charged with the larceny of about a bushel of apples, the alleged property of Herbert W. Stevens, whose place is located in Pingryville, a chort distance over the Ayer line in Littleton.

James A. Nixon, of Pingryville, was the first witness. He testified to see Ing the defendant picking up apples which were on public land, just one named gentleman took the pig to Fitchburg, where it was found by its rightful owner. The pig weighed ant that he had better go and solite on October 19

ant that he had better go and settle for the apples taken, to Mr. Stevens, Mr. Stevens stated that the defend-

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near the scene of the alleged theft he

was engaged in filling it when he was accosted by Mr. Nixon. The defendant said he had no idea of stealing, as he supposed that the apples on the highway were free to anyone. The

defendant also stated that when he ar

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Camp Devens opened the program with two selections, after which Judge

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Judge Sanderson spoke highly of

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the good work done by the club in providing wholesome recreation for the soldiers. During the past several

weeks the building has been used in a most practicable way in caring for

patients who otherwise might not re-

stated that while the club was to be

used primarily for the benefit of the

soldiers, it was also to be used by the people at large in the communities around the cantonment, all of whom

were welcome to its benefits and whose

suggestions for bettering its service

contributed largely to the erection of

the building and to the success of the to the present time

Dr. Peabody made a short address

in which he emphasized the importance of providing a clean, moral at

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so necessary to the making of the good soldier. To this end the soldiers'

club was established. The erroneou opinion prevails among some people said Dr. Peabody, that the soldiers in

general were a type of men who were not favorably looked upon by the people at large. However, this is not

true for the type of the citizen soldier of today is of a high standard. Both

The remainder of the program consisted of piano solos by a soldier from

the camp and vocal solos by Miss Vel-

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A hearing was given to all parties in-

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**EGGS** 

Upon cross-examination by Judge 250 in the hill, or section between the John M. Maloney, the defendant's counsel, as to the price of a bushel of apples, the witness hesitated, finally saying that the ten dollars asked for Following is the list of the W. & N. R. Following is the list of the woman's F. R. R. and east of the W. & N. R. R.
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Mrs. Ida Cornella, Mrs. Mary Carney,
Mrs. Margaret K. Cushing, Mrs. Grace
M. Dickerman, Mrs. May F. Downing: was for apples previously stolen, and those taken on the above date. The defendant, testifying in his own behalf, stated that he was on his way in an automobile truck from South Hadley Falls to Lawrence. When Mrs. Margaret K. Cusning, Mrs. Grace M. Dickerman, Mrs. May F. Downing: Mrs. Nellie Fox, Mrs. Eva Harlow, Mrs. Alta Hollis, Mrs. Edith E. John-son, Miss Elizabeth Markham; Miss Lillian Markham; Mrs. Mabel Murphy, set a few apples to cat. Later, he procured a bag from the truck and

Sanderson, Mrs. Christina Traquair. Mrs. Carolina Williams. Mrs. May F. Downing received 54 ubscriptions, this being the largest subscriptions, umber secured by any one solicitor

Mrs. Annie Normand, Mrs. Annie B

Dr. Van Allen at St. Andrew's,

rived at Mr. Stevens house to settle the matter, Mr. Stevens had a gun in his hands, apparently ready to make a settlement by force. The defend-ant's brother stated that Mr. Stevens The first of the special evening services at St. Andrew's church will be at 7.30 on next Sunday evening. The Rev. William Harmon 'Van Allen rector of the Church of the Advent in aimed the gun at the defendant with his finger on the trigger, apparently intending to shoot. Boston, will be the preacher. Dr. Van Allen is rector of the second largest Episcopal church in Boston, with a Explaining the gun episode Mr. Stevens said that he had been bothered a good deal by automobile parcommunicant list of over thirteen hun-dred. He is a preacher of great pop-ularity, a leader in the "high" wing ties stealing his apples, who after do-ing so would speed away without heeding his command to stop. Acof the church, a frequent speaker at public meetings. At the service on Sunday evening the organist and vestcording to his statement he had the ed choir of St. John's chapel, Groton School, with violin and cornet, will Judge Atwood ordered the defendant discharged because of the lack of proof to show that the apples alleged in the complaint to have been stolen ead the music.

The usual service of morning prayer and sermon will be held at 10.30, at which Rev. Angus Dun will preach.

Red Cross Notes. 🖐

Twelve women met at Hardy's hall, The Soldiers' club on West street, which has been closed to social functions for several weeks, during which time it was excellently conducted as Monday afternoon, and made blue packet pads. One hundred pads were made, ready to have bandages applied. The workers are reminded that an emergency hospital for the treatsewing hags should be brought. Needles, cotton, 40 to 50, scissors and ment of cases of influenza, was reopened Wednesday evening with apthimbles are needed for the work. propriate exercises. There was a good sized attendance of invited

The sweater yarn has arrived Twenty-five volunteers have promised to make sweaters within two weeks. New directions require the conserva-New directions require the constitution of time as well as wool. Each sweater is to be 20 inches long and made from three-fourths of a pound of wool. Apply to Mrs. John Tra-quire for sweater yarn and new direc-

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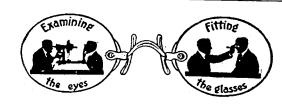
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News Items. An open market will be held by the Unitarian society this week Saturday afternoon in place of the farmers' table of their church fair which was given up on account of the influenza. Sales will be made from the lawn of G. F. Hibbard on King street and also from the fruit stand of F. D. Kelley at the corner of Hartwell avenue. The proceeds of the sales at both places will go to the Alliance treasury. Contributions of farm and garden produce are solicited and a hearty patronage is expected as the farmers table has always supplied a real need

in many families. The Alliance will meet next week Friday afternoon at the parsonage for its November meeting. The speaker will be Rev. Charles D. Ames, of Gro-ton, on the subject "The poetry of William Vaughn Moody." Music will be furnished by Miss Marcia Wilcox.
This is the first meeting of the year with a program, the October meeting having been called off because of the

The Unitarian church fair announc ed for Friday was given up on account of the grippe, except for the farmers' table, which is to be held today as an open market. To supply the funds usually secured by the fair for the Alliance treasury the chairman of each of the fair tables is soliciting contributions from those who plan to help out the Alliance by purchasing at the fair.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield's sermon subject at the Unitarian church tomor-row will be "The things to forget."

Mrs. F. H. Hill returned from Portland with her son Ralph last week Thursday. The road was in excellent condition and they motored the distance of 125 miles in five hours very Miss Eleanor Hill went back with her brother for a Sunday visit with her Portland relatives. J. H. Kimball and family attended

the Cleaves family reunion in Goffstown, N. H., Sunday Mrs. Frank Smith found several

er and a few at Mrs. James Conway's have all reflected honor to the among those affected.

weeks ago. Frank Smith learned recently that

up for the present. We hear encouraging news of Mary Kimball, who is being treated for influenza at Memorial hospital in Wor-

The Owens family will soon vacate Harry J. Smith's house on Mill road, Capt. Owens has been transferred from Camp Devens to the base of army supplies in Boston. His wife and children hope to secure an apart-ment convenient to his station.

Mrs. Frank Smith's sister Inez, from New Ipswich, N. H., was her week-

Rev. Harrison L. Packard and Mrs Packard were welcomed to their former church where he preached a beautiful sermon last Sunday. Miss Florence Hunt and A. P. Gardner were the

Mr. and Mrs. Ford, the latter a sister of Mrs. S. C. Bates, have taken the ckinley place in Newtown for their

LeRoy Jewett has moved into Mrs. Abble Tuttle's tenement on Foster st. Stanley Conant has recently been cansferred to Camp Lee, Petersburg, a., where he has entered the officers' training school.

On account of the fresh outbreak of Spanish grippe, the school authorities decided to defer opening the schools

Mrs. G. E. Prouty at the Center; Mrs. Charles K. Houghton at the Comnon, or George A. Cook at the depot. No box can be given unless a label is shown, and full instructions will be given with each box. Each soldier can have only one box and this must be sent according to government orders through the Red Cross.

The wool work quota for Littleton lted Cross is fifty sweaters and fifty pairs of socks. We have three weeks pairs of nocks. We have three weeks to do these and the assistance of leveryone is needed. Any who can possibly assist please get wool at once from either Miss Marion Flags. Mrs. George A. Cook or Mrs. H. L. Caulkins. Fifty pairs of pajamas camplast week to be made up in ten days and the time of matters. and at time of writing they are progressing well. More volunteers for home sewing are needed -don't wait to be asked, but get in touch by let-ter or telephone with the committee and help the work alona.

George Curtis Durkee Littleton of jest men, passed away on Wedres day, October 16, of heart disease to the advanced age of 92 years at days. Funeral obseques were from his late home in Newtown di eriet on Priday afternoon of last week Rev. Mr. Robertson, of Acton, office ing, and the interment was in the filt, lot at Westlawn countery. Theories were J. B. Tirtle, M. G. H. and F. H. Bullette, all of Acton, and U. Childwell, of Concerd Junet e Mr. Darker was form in Shelder Ar. October 12, 1827, and was one of turbeen children who claimed the Par tal love and care of Charles W. and Udia (Northrop) Durkee tydia (Northrop) Perses ne liver for five years in Marlow, N. H., and the same length of time in Charle-town, at which place he conducted a blacksmithing business. The greater part of his life was spent in Littleton, and it was from the Newtown district that he married his wife, Nancy L. M. Cole, whose death preceded his by

twenty-eight years to a day.

He leaves a daughter, Mrs. Richard. T. Barrow, who with her husband de- did not cease until the band was lare votedly cared for him at their home: ed in the camp on Saturday night T. Barrow, who with her husband dealso, three sons, C. W. Durkee of Wor- with the result that when the last cester, G. N. Durkee of Boston and F.

Mr. Durkee carried on his farm until his son-in-law relieved him in recent years. He was a lover of good horses and but a few weeks previous to his death was seen driving a spirited to the scholhouse (which see the forest to good the forest to the scholhouse (which see the forest to good the forest to good the forest to good the forest to good the seed to good the forest to good the good the forest to good the good the forest to good the good the good the good to good the good the good to good the good the good the good to good the good the good to good the good the good the good to good the good the good to good the good to good the go

colt, his favorite pastime.

Mr. Durkee will be remembered as assigned it by the chairman was a good husband, father and neighbor. a kind friend and a delightful com- record. 

muster call of the Great Commander, Sunday morning, October 20, after a heroic struggle for health and life to self against the invincible forces that self against the invincible forces that gradually weakened his body and undermined his vitality until his soldier heart surrendered. Mr. Moore received the best treatment possible from physicians, hospital care, and family devotion, but a serious abdominal trouble had insidiously taken possession and to those who lived nearest to sion, and to those who lived nearest to him the outcome became sadly evident

a rew weeks ago.

Tuesday afternoon, from the Unitarian church, of which he had been deacon for several years, funeral rites were performed. The casket was a few weeks ago. draped with the United States flag, and the few remaining comrades of his post, with many relatives, neighbors, church associates and other friends gathered to pay their respects to the memory of a gallant warrior, and nobleman of God. His pastor, Rev. O. Fairfield, with much feeling offici-

ated, paying a glowing tribute to the life and character of the deceased, and reading "The happy soldier" and other poems equally applicable. Mrs. G. Edward Prouty sang appropriate hymns. At the cemetery members of the post read the Grand Army com mittal service and James E. Smith, representing that body, J. P. Thacher and Hon. C. A. Kimball, his neighbors, of and F. B. Priest, his church associate and F. B. Priest, his church associate, lowered the remains to their final resting place beside those of his beloved wife and his patriot sons.

The deceased was the son of Thomas

and Margaret Moore, to whom he was born on April 22, 1838, in Charlestown. There he received his school ing, and as a young man entered the navy as cabin boy. Later, he entered the merchant service as sailor and made several voyages to Europe going between New York and France. left the sea to change his occupation

and was apprenticed to a painter.

In 1865 he went to Boxborough to live and there met Miss Louisa Wetherbee, who became his wife. In 1869 Mr. and Mrs. Moore moved to Little-ton and occupied the house that has ever afterward been their home. Four boys were born, and in 1882 were left most of the cases being at the common and not a few among the factory people. Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Boyaton, Miss Josie Foley. Mr. Bash and others at the boarding house are they bear. Two, Albert and Fred among those affected.

Judge Sanderson and family went ism, having served in the Spanish Judge Sanderson and family went back to winter quarters in Ayer two a successful business man in Chicago. Ill., and Frank W., of Littleton, a pro Frank Smith learned recently that gressive real estate agent in Boston, his brother Archie had received a gun who has made his home with his father, that he might give him every necessure for the present. er, that he might give him every rices sary attention in declining years. Edward Moore, a son by a previous marriage, died in 1911. Dea. Moore is survived by four grandsons, two survived by four grandsons, two granddaughters, and five great-grand-

hildren In 1862, Mr. Moore enlisted in Company E, 47th Regiment, M. V. M. Most of his service was under Genearl Banks in Louisiana. In 1863 he was mustered out. He was a past commander of the post and for many years its chap-lain. He has planned and directed the church officiating. She is survived by Memorial day program for many year and entered with zeal into every patriotic activity that has needed assist

The deceased was a loyal supporter and constant attendant of the Unitari an church services, a friend to every ody, and a worthy citizen. His pres ence in the community will be sadly missed, but his kindly deeds, his hearty laugh and his good cheer will remain

Doubles Quota.

The fourth liberty loan campaign finished up with the presentation to the employees of Conant, Houghton Company of the industrial pennant they had won, and to the town of an The boxes for Christmas gifts to the soldiers overseas are expected early next week. Relatives who receive labels are requested to apply for a box as quickly as possible to either Mrs. G. E. Prouty at the Center. Mrs. also going double. The Depot Brigade band was sent down by Maj. Gen. Mc-Cain, and one of them, Sergt, Sachs presented the pennant to W. E. nant, who handed it to Hugh Foley for the employees. Rev. H. L. Caulkins received the flag for the town.

A fair crowd was out and enjoyed the music, which was heautifully rendered under the leadership of Lieut. Schaefer, late of Sousa's band. After the concert the ladies entertained the band to a lunch in the Baptist vestry before they returned to camp.

The webbing factory was one short of a ninety percent subscription to the loan, but the pennant with the eightyfive percent motto looks good to passersby. The committee working in the mill and the employees as a whole are the congratulated on the result Hugh Foley, John Martin, Ed. Bar-tenux and Frank Gregory formed the

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North End and depot had \$\$200 Hugh Foley, in addition to head; the committee is the mill, looked after the common, at a this territory tu in the amazing total of \$13,950 free forty-one subscribers. the committee deserves special me tion it is Mr. Foley, whose work is gan the minute the drive opened, as sults were tabulated it was found to the mill, with the common distribution included Nashobah and G

HOW VICTORY WILL BE WON

the other \$30,000. The returns show how hearly correct this division was

#### BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items. Mrs Harry Campbell was a visitor n Milford and Nashua on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hadley and greater deeds, to greater sacrifices, to daughter Margaret, of Cambridge, greater hate, to greater determination Mass, were at their summer home on to win the war. France, England and Wednesday and Thursday.

George Standley and family have noved to the Potanipo house on Maon street for the winter.

Mrs. Elizabeth Bridges attended the funeral of her brother, Dr. Arthur J. rodd, at New Boston, N. H., Thursiay.

George Nye was a week-end visitor n Sandown. Misses Mildred Dodge and Parsons

are visiting at the home of Miss Dodge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Dodge, in West Groton. Theodore Bridges, of Atlantic,

, has been a guest of Mrs. Elizabeth Bridges Mrs. Harry Campbell has purchased

Maxwell automobile. Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Hall have been guests at the home of his grandpar

nts, Mr. and Mrs. William Hall, Fred Tarbell, of Pepperell, was

Mr. and Mrs. John Andrews are re-joicing over the safe arrival overseas of their daughter, Mary Andrews. Mrs. S. J. Smitherman, of Leomin

ter, Mass., is a visitor at the Co home Mrs. Caroline Allen, of Wendell Mass., and Mrs. Mattle Teele, of West Mass., have been visitors in

town. Mrs. Minnie Shattuck, of Pepperell is visiting friends in town.

Services were held at the Methodist church on Sunday, and all schools in town opened on Monday morning. Mrs Martha Sutton, of Chicopee, Mass, has been a guest at the home

of Joseph Wilson, Brookline went over the top in the

liberty loan drive by \$8,000, the quota being \$17,000. Fred Hall is ill with the influenza. Among others in town on the sick list are Mrs. Goodell, Mrs. Charlotte Wright and three of the Ouelette chil-

Forace Hall, of Cambridge, Mass at his home on a furlough.

Mrs. Mary Ann Cox, widow of J. Cox, died on last Sunday at her late home, where she had lived for thirtysix years. She was born in Fitzwilliam on June 13, 1844, the daughter of Levi and Anna (Moe) Pratt. private funeral was held at her home on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. Mr. Kelley of the Congregational a son, Alfred Cox, and a daughter, Mrs. Evans.

Must Have Regular Meals.

It is said that the native in India is extremely particular about regularity in his meals: once accustomed to eating at a certain hour he must stick to it at all costs. An English engineer had an awkward experience of this as pleasant memories of an honest, upnight, christian man, who revealed
only the bright side of life and left
and the minimum of tackle. The pole
was halfway up when the "headman" infimated that it was dinner time. Only the most desperate entreaties, coupled with threats, prevented the men letting the pole come down with a run, though it had taken several hours to get it into this position.

New Advertisements

## CARD OF THANKS

We wish to extend our heartfel hanks to all our friends who by thell cits of kindness and expressions o ympathy have helped us in our be-eigenful.

J. Fred Zappey. Mr. and Mrs. Daniel G. Houghton and Family. Littleton, Mass. October 23, 1918.

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Registration of Voters



Boird of Registrats of Voters n session in the Selectmen's Town Hall Building, for the of registering voters and corw the list of voters,

#### Saturday, October 26, 1918, from 12 M. to 10 P. M.

vistration will close at 10 P. M. saturday, October 26, and no names date until after the next election apt the names of voters examined to their qualifications between ceding 30th day of April and the of registering, or to correct a real error or mistake.

Persons wishing to vegister should ring a tax bill or a notice from the to been assessed for the year 1918 Naturalized citizens wishing to regmust show their certificate of alization.

PETER B. MURPHY, LOUIS H. CUSHING, GUY B. REMICK, Registrars of Voters.

National Determination to Put Every Ounce of Strength Into Righteous Cause Will Bring Triumph.

Suppose we send 10,000 hombing airplanes over Germany. They alone will not win the war. Ten thousand or fifty thousand tanks alone will not win the war. A thousand land battleships or a thousand other fearful land cruis ers alone will not win the war. Raining death and destruction upon the civil population as a rule has only one result: It inflames the people to to win the war. France, England and Itnly are shining examples of this. No. any one invention is not likely to win the war. Some day, perhaps, someone will invent an atomic ray which is capable of pulverizing whole regiment: at a stroke. Nothing of this sort is impossible. But it is not very probable. Rather it is the whole-hearted devotion of the noncombatants to a great and just cause that will win the war. The nation that can throw into the scales the greatest amount of war meal, which are hard to get and high implements, the heaviest weight of in price. Substitutes for these conmetal, the greatest amount of fighters, coupled with a prodigious use of all of the best war inventions, will win in the end-providing that every man and woman behind the lines constantly thinks and dreams of war and victory and is prepared to put every last ounce of strength as well as all worldly belongings into the righteous cause without stint or restraint. The greatest war invention is the flery, undying will to win.-Electrical Experimenter.

#### FEW STATE LINES CHANGED

Sentiment Has Proved Too Strong, Even When Good Business Reasons Could Be Advanced.

From time to time proposals are made to change the boundaries of states. One is the cheme to transfer a part of western Florida, extending for 150 miles on the sea coast, to the state of Alabama, and another project is to somex the north-rn neck of Idah to the state of Washington.

In support of the proposed change in each case the chief argument advanced is that it would place the region to be transferred in the state with which it is most closely allied in interests. Most of the business of Pensacola, the leading city of west Florida, is with Alabama, and if it were a part of that state its importance would doubtless be heightened. It is also considerably nearer Montgomer than Tallahassee and nearer Birmingham than Jacksonville.

Proposals for rectifying boundaries as well as for dividing states have been many, the changes actually made few. Where historic associations gather around a divisional line they are not easily effaced, whatever may be the commercial considerations work ing in that direction. In cases in which railway connections have made the business relations of a region closer with another state than with its own the remedy is found in the construc tion of new lines. Political geographs enters somewhat into railway build ing.

More Than Paid the Debt. Some of us will give a second

thought to the extraordinary achievement of a congregation in Geneva, N. Y., which first built with reckless extravagance a massive graystone church and then adopted the tithing system to get them out of their difficulty. The story is told in Outlook. the church was dedicated-if that is the right word-the debt was \$82,000, and the weekly budget \$230. The weekly income was less than \$100. In two years the debt has been reduced to \$40,000 and the weekly in-300. Of the 1,000 mer 350 are tithers. A tither sets aside one-tenth of his income for Christian activities. The blessings of happiness and prosperity which have attended people are remarkable. Many thrilling stories are told. Some church leaders are deeply impressed by the success of the system and they are advocating it as a financial policy.-Christian Register.

All Fighting Men Brothers.

A young American army private came out of a gilded Broadway florist's large and expensive bouquet tied up in waxed paper and walked toward one of those stunty baby doll roadsters at As he was crossing the sidewalk

two stopped to exchange greetings.

"Lo, Fish Face!" ""Lo. Wop! Where you goin'?" "To see me brudder!"

"Jump in and save carfare." Whereupon this strangely assorted pair. brothers by the greatest tie man can devise, traveled away together .- New York Sun.

Buying More Cutlery.

Siamese importers are purchasing

and there should be an opportunity for the sale of American supplies. Japan has profited by the increased demand. value of cutlery imports from Japan advanced from \$83 in 1914-15 to \$12,734 in 1916-17. American machine tools are widely used in Siam and vigorous selling campaigns should be planned for the purpose of introducing other lines of cutlery after the war .-New York Journal of Commerce.

Then and Now. Thirty years ago," said the man who had traveled to the end of the earth and most of the way back, "I

started out, alone, unaided, without friends to help me along, with the intention of making the world pay me the living that it owes me. My only allies were a dollar bill and a determination to make a million more. Today (and he threw out his chest proudly) I still have the determination and fifty cents in change."

# PROTEIN SUPPLY **NEEDED BY HOGS**

**Growers Must Provide Substitute** Feeds Which Furnish Material for Development.

## FISH SCRAP IS EXCELLENT

Alfalfa Hay, Soy Beans, Cowpeas and Oats Are Recommended - Rye Sown in Fall Makes Good Pastures Peanuts in Favor.

(Prepared by United States Department of Agriculture.)

Hog growers should provide home-grown feed to supply protein—so essential to the proper development of hogs-and feed them in place of shorts, middlings, tankage and centrate feeds are found in crops that are known to be rich in protein, and we are advising the use of fish meal, where it is obtainable. Alfalfa hay soy beans, cowpens and onts are suggested as good substitute feeds. addition to these peanuts, cottonseed meal and velvet beans are available to hog growers in the Southern states Fish Scrap Is Favored.

Fish scrap, which has heretofore been used as a fertilizer, has been tried in hog-feeding experiments conducted by the department of agriculture, and it has been found that meal made from this material is on a par with tankage when fed to hogs. number of state experiment stations are now conducting similar experiments in feeding fish meal to hogs Owing to the transportation situation however, it is believed that fish meal cannot be fed economically west of the Mississippi river.

Shortage of protein feeds can be met with alfalfa hay in all localities where it can be grown or obtained at reasonable prices. There are two ways in which this hay can be successfully fed-in small racks placed in protected sheds where the hogs may have free access to it, and by grinding it and feeding it in self-feeders or soaked in the form of thick slop. The department's specialists urge that hog growers provide an ample supply of alfalfa. Usually the last cutting of alfalfa is saved for hog feeding, but for fear this cutting cannot be harvested in good condition, on account of weather conditions, a sufficient amount of the second and subsequent cuttings should be saved to supply enough feed

for hogs. Rye sown in the fall makes go pasture for hogs. As soon as it is three or four inches high the hogs can turned in and left until snow covers it up. Rye also provides good pasture in early spring. In the Southern states Abruzzi rye is recommended, as it makes a rapid growth and heavier foliage than other varieties.

Soy Beans Are Excellent. Soy beans are valuable to take the place of other protein feeds usually



Hogs in Alfalfa, a Good Home-Grown

Protein Feed. purchased. They make a very satis factory feed when the beans are fed threshed, or as hay, or when ground as meal. Soy-bean hay, to be mos should be cut early satisfactory, the other afternoon carrying a very enough to avoid the popping out of the seeds. The leaves and the seed both will be readily eaten when handled in this manner,

In the Southern states peanuts are quite extensively grown and make a along came another American army good feed when used as a grazing crop private, undeniably of Italian descent, or fed in the form of meal. Velvet and known along Broadway for his beans are largely raised in this secability to wield the polishing rag at a tion of the country, and it is recom-Herald square shoe shining parlor. The mended that they be left in the field and grazed.

Dwarf Essex rape and oats can also he used successfully in the South as a forage crop. Either can be seeded from the last of August to the last of September. Cottonseed meal can be very successfully used in connection with corn as a hardening feed for a period not to exceed thirty days.

## PRODUCE MORE WHITE MEATS

more cutlery than they did formerly Desirable That There Be Decided Increase in Output and Consumption of Poultry.

> Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)
> In order to leave available for the forces overseas as large a proportion as possible of the output of cured and compact ments, it is desirable that there he a decided increase in both nome production and home consumption of whi -- ultry.

> Crab's Keen Watch:for Enemies. The fiddler crabs of the Philippines have remarkably sharp eyes, and may be seen standing for perhaps fifteen minutes at a time quite still, scanning the landscape for signs of their chief enemies-snakes, skunks, frogs, toads and fishes. Noise will not disturb them, but they beat a hasty retreat home if anything moves near, or boldly stand and frantically wave the big claw, being particularly augry if a lady

crab comes near.

LOOSE PANEL EFFECT



The gown pictured is of navy blue satin and exploits the long panel in both back and front. Tiny buttons define the edges of the panel, which is and there is a suggestion of drapery at the hips. The normal waistline has a crushed girdle. The V-shaped neck is finished with a white collar.

#### SHIELD FOR CHIFFON SLEEVES

Protection Need Not Be Disfiguring of Conspicuous if Made From Fine Material.

Have you ever had any difficulty with your sheer chiffon and georgette sleeves drawing and wearing into holes across the upper forearms? Or perhaps you have been afraid to risk the danger of their doing this very thing, and for that reason have denied yourself the pleasure and satisfaction of putting transparent eleeves in your silk and serge frocks. either event, you will be glad to know of a simple little device which is a sure proof against this particular form of annovance and waste.

The beauty of a transparent sleeve is the lovely soft line it gives the shoulder of a blouse, and so its whole object would be entirely refuted were any bulky sort of lining made for it. But, as in most cases, it absolutely refuses to stand the strain of wear-unaided; something must be done to reenforce it. This can be done very easily, and almost invisibly. by cutting a shield-like shape from some soft and pliable material such as inde-structible chiffon or china silk, and fastening it into the armhole under the sleeve and across the upper part the sleeve and across the upper part of the arm. Then the transparent material of the sleeve is tacked lightly to the lower edges of this plece, thus removing all strain from the shoulder to moving all strain from the shoulder to the middle of the forearm. As this is the very area in which the greatest is the very area in which the greatest strain is applied, the use of this little device will ensure just about twice as long a period of wear for the sleeves thus safeguarded: And the shield protection need not be at all disfiguring or conspicuous if it is made from fine enough material of just the right shade, and set in carefully without drawing or pulling. ...

## COZY, ARTISTIC LIVING ROOM

Sunshiny, Floor Covered With Neutral Gray Filler Carpet, Walls Blue, Woodwork White.

One of the most beautiful living rooms the writer has ever seen, ob-serves a correspondent, was a bright, sunshiny one, with a floor covered with a neutral gray filler carpet. The walls were in plain old blue, the woodwork white. The dull brick fireplace, with the white overmantel, and the built-in book shelves, were quite noticeable features in the room and decidedly nelped the colonial furniture.

For there was a mahogany gateleg table in the center of the room, a large armchair and a wall chair with a rush seat. A huge wing armchair uphoistered

in rose and blue chintz was drawn up to the fireplace, and seemed to dom inate the room. The chintz was repeated in the sidedrapes at the windows. And the

beauty of it is that a room like this is

within the reach of almost anyone!

The Buttonless Suits. Many of the newest suits and long coats show no buttons at all down the

long, closely set rows, frequently at the sides of the skirt part of the jacket. Liberty Before All Things. Blandishments will not fascinate us

front, but if used at all buttons are in

nor-will threats of a halter intimidate us; for, under God, we are determined that, whatsoever, whensoever or how soever we shall be called to make our exit, we will die free men.-Josiah Quincy. The second second second

Optimistic Thought. Riches do not exhibarate so much with their possession as they torment with their loss.

Office of the BOARD OF SELECTMEN

The state of the s



You are hereby required on or be fore December 1, 1918, to destroy the gypsy and brown-tail moths on your property in the town of Pepperell-

This notification is in accordance with Chapter 381, Acts of 1905, as amended by Chapter 268, Acts of 1906, which requires cities and towns to destroy the eggs, caterpillars, pupe, and nests of the gypsy and brown-tail moths under heavy penalty for failure to comply with the provisions of the

If a property owner falls to destroy such eggs, caterpillars, pupe and nests, then the city or town is required to destroy the same, and the cost of the work, in whole or in part, according to the value of the land, is assessed upon and becomes a lien on the land. (See Section 6, Chapter 381, at bottom.)

The selectmen ask owners and tenants, to cooperate with the town in its work on highways and other pub-lic grounds by doing effective work on their premises. Citizens who have cleaned their premises of the moths; but find their trees endangered by the neglect of owners of adjoining estates should make complaint to the selectmen. The infestation of a residential neighborhood by the neglect of a few will not be tolerated.

The eggs of the gypsy moth should be destroyed at once with creosote. They should never be scraped off the object on which they are laid. Careful search should be made for gypsy moth erg clusters, not only on tree but also on house walls, stone walls, fences and in rubbish hears, etc. Trees in which cavities occur and which it is not desirable to cut should weighted across the hem with heavy have the cavities tinned or cemented.
twisted slik fringe. The sleeves are This is important. The present and long but slightly full from the wrist up future cost of combating this insect and there is a suggestion of drapery at can be greatly reduced by cutting and burning worthless brush, hollow trees, etc. A few trees well cared for are more valuable to the property owner and the community than a large num-

per of neglected trees. The nests of the brown-tail moth ly collected and burned in a stove or

Full instructions as to best methods of work against the moths may be ob-tained from the selectmen of Pepperell, or from the State Forester, Room 408, State House, Boston, Mass.

Work done by contractors should be

inspected and approved by the Local Superintendent before payment for the same is made. C. H. MILLER, A. A. SHATTCUK, J. G. WILLEY,

Selectmen of Pepperell.

October 24, 1918. (Chapter 381, Acts of 1905, as amended by Chapter 268, Acts of 1906, Chap-ter 591, Acts of 1908 and Chap-ter 124, Acts of 1915.)

A Act to Provide for Suppressing the Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths

Gypsy and Brown Tail Moths

Section 6. The mayor of every city and the selectmen of every town shall, on or before the first day of November in each year, and at such other times is he or they shall see fit, or as the state superintendent may order, cause a notice to be sent to the owner or owners, so far as can be ascertained, of every parcel of land therein which is infested with said moths; or, if such notification appears to be impracticable, then by posting such notice on said parcels of land, requiring that the eggs, caterpillars, pupe and nests of said moths shall be destroyed within a time specified in the notice.

The publication of the notice in

men such publication will be a sufficient notice.

When, in the opinion of the mayor or selectmen, the cost of destroying such eggs, caterpillars, pupe and nests on lands contiguous and held under one ownership in a city or town shall exceed one half of one per cent of the assessed value of said lands, then a part of said premises on which said be destroyed may be designated in such notice, and such requirement shall not apply to the remainder of said premises. The mayor or selectmen may designate the manner in which such work shall be done, but all work done under this section shall be subject to the approval of the state superintendent.

the approval of the state superintendent.

If the owner or owners shall fall to destroy such eggs, caterpillars, puper or nests in accordance with the requirements of the sald notice, then the city or town, acting by the public officer or board of such city or town designated or appointed as aforesaid, shall, subject to the approval of the said superintendent, destroy the same, and the amount actually expended thereon, not exceeding one half of one per cent of the assessed valuation of said lands, as heretofore specified in this section, shall be assessed upon the said lands; and such an amount in addition as shall be required shall be apportioned between the city or town and the commonwealth in accordance with the provisions of section four of this act. The amounts to be assessed upon private estates as herein provided shall be assessed and collected, and shall be a lien on said estates, in the same effect as is provided in the case of assessments for street watering.

ments for street watering.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlescx, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirsant-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of FLORENCE E. TITUS late of Ayer 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 THERON W. TITUS of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the cleventh day of November 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 Turners Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said-Court, Witness Charles J. McInthe. Esquire; First Judge of said-Court, this twenty-second day of Ootober in the year one of the said selection of the proper court of the prope

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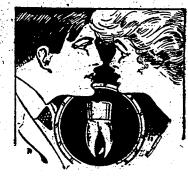
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## FOOD SAVING MUST CONTINUE

Herbert Hoover, in Letter to Massachusetts Food Administration, Says. People' Must Conserve for Another Year.

Continuance in food-saving must be maintained by the people of Massachusetts for at least another year This fact is indicated in a communi cation received by the Massachusetts Food Administration from Herbert Hoover, in which he predicts that the war will last until the end of next summer, or possibly longer.

"There is no prospect of a proper ending of the war before the campaign of the summer of 1919," he says, "To attain victory we must place in France 3,500,000 fighting men with the greatest mechanical equipment that has ever been given to any army, While we expect the position on the western front may be improved, from a military point of view, between now and then, there can be no hope of a consummation of the end that we must secure until another year has gone by."

Continue getting 100 per cent value out of every ounce of foodstuff.

Approximately 200,000 pounds o sugar will be saved a year by the new ruling of the Food Administration which willi prevent anyone from obtaining more than two pounds of sugar a month.

- Many people were unconsciously breaking the regulation regarding the distribution of sugar by purchasing their sugar on the basis of one-half pound per capita a week. On this basis of four weeks to the month there would be only 48 weeks to the year, or 336 days. This would leave 29-days or practically another month during which sugar would be consumed on a basis of two pounds per capita. With a population of 100,000,-000 people this would require about an additional 200,000,000 pounds of

The new regulation which became effective October 15 requires the consumer to purchase his allotment of sugar every 15 days or semi-monthly.

rather than every week.

Henry B. Endicott, food administrator for Massachusetts, has announced that drastic punishment will be meted out to those retail food dealers who violate the price regulations

of the state. Many cases have been called to his attention in which the retailers have added a few cents to the standard price. If dealers refuse to keep their prices down to the level set by the Aver Variety Store Administration they will be virtually forced to shut up their shops. In a warning issued to the dealers Mr. Endicott says:

"It is being brought to our attention that a very large number of retail dealers are violating the rules of the Food Administration, especially as regards prices. Apparently, very little attention is paid by the majority of the retail trade to the articles on prices appearing in the weekly bulletin issued them. For example, the ruling which states that the selling price of butter shall not exceed cost by more than five cents for cash and carry; and six cents for credit and delivery stores, is being violated to a very marked degree.

"Starting immediately, every retail dealer, whether licensed or not, will be expected to read our bulletin carefully for all rules and to follow the list of Fair Prices applying to his county as published therein. If his purchase price is such that he can sell for less, he is not privileged to charge the highest price quoted. All cases of violation as reported to us by our large number of inspectors throughout the entire state will be dealt with promptly and forcibly, and where rulings are not adhered to. the usual penalties will be applied.

"Retail dealers who do not receive regularly the weekly bulletin will be expected to notify us accordingly, as, hereafter, failure to be familiar with all articles and prices published therein will not be considered as an excuse."

Massachusetts soldiers and sailors who are tempted to drop their War Risk insurance, as some already have done, in the belief that their relatives not receiving insurance certificates are advised by the Public Safety Committee to keep right on paying premiums. The men who stopped paying on their policies did so in the belief that no records were being

kept Information which the Committee received from Washington reveals that non-receipt of certificates by relhand. We are agents for the National stives is due to delay in their mailing. Eventually the certificates will be received by all who are entitled to them. The exermous yelume of pusiness being done by the War Risk bureau has regulted in an ever-flow in its mailing division. In a short time, is missing the pigs will naturally eat from others. it is believed, this work will be an increased amount of any other appealed up and certificates appear on available nutrient, and in such a case

schedule time.
Relatives of the men in the service are urged by the Committee to cautien the boys against dropping their pelicies. It peints out that the policies are appolutely sound, "Government insurance is effective regurdless of the receipt of the certificates," it configues, "provided proper application as been made and premiums are being paid. The certificate is no part of the contract of insurance. It is mere ly evidence that the centract oxis'

Ideal Union.

What greater thing is there for two human souls, than to feel that they are joined for life—to strengthen each other in all labor, to rest in each other in all sorrow, to minister to each other in all pain, to be one with each other in silent, unspeakable memories at the moment of the last parting?-George

Optimistic Thought

become easy.

MANY SHEEP KILLED BY DOGS

Ways of Preventing Ravages by Animais Are Suggested by Agricultural Department.

(Prépared by the United States Depart-ment of Agriculture.)

east of the Rocky mountains shows that out of a total of 6,836,492 sheep in the 502 counties reporting, 34,683 were killed by dogs in one year (1913) and were paid for by the counties. At the rate of loss in other farm states the total annual destruction of sheep by dogs would be 107,760.

· But these figures are based only upon the number actually paid for, and it is more than probable that the true losses far exceed this. It is known that many sheep are killed which are

never reported to the county official. In 1913 crop reports in 38 states submitted estimates which showed that the number of sheep in those states could be increased 150 per cent without displacing other live stock. Such an increase would place approximately 34,000,000 more sheep in these states than there are now. Of 1.411 answers received to the question as to whether sheep raising is profitable in the farm states 887 answered "yes." Of 894 answers as to the causes pre venting increase in the numbers of sheep 531 said. "Dogs."

## **USE SELF-FEEDERS FOR HOGS**

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(Prepared by the United States Depart-ment of Agriculture.)

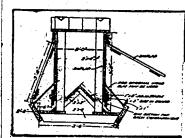
By means of the self-feeder the average farmer will have as good results as the most expert hand-feeder, and the results will be obtained at much less expense of time and labor. For the average farmer there is little doubt which method is the more economical. for the self-feeding system is advantageous in every respect. Its use results, first, in larger daily gains in live weight, bringing the pigs to a marketable size at an earlier date; second, feed is consumed more rapidly, and consequently gains are more rapid; and, third, as there is an actual saving in the amount of feed required to produce 100 pounds of gain, it is shown that the increased feed consumption and the more rapid daily gains are not made at the expense of efficient use of the feed. On the contrary, a smaller amount of feed is consumed in making pork, which is a fact of extreme importance at present. The last and one of the most important advantages to the farmer at this time is the saving of labor, for although daily watch must be kept on the self-feeder to see that each compartment is well supplied and

The self-feeder may be adapted to the use of any kind of grain or feed, although shelled grain and ground feeds are most commonly used. It

not clogged, this requires only a frac-

tion of the time necessary to hand-

feed the same hogs several times a



Ohio Self-Feeder-End View With End Siding Boards Removed.

may be adapted to handle ear corn, but such a feeder must be of large size and heavily made in order to hold sufficient grain to feed a bunch of hogs several days without refilling.

In order that the self-feeder may readily be adapted to different kinds of grains it should be constructed with some means of regulating the opening through which the feed passes. For example, commeal or barley requires a smaller opening to prevent too rapid a flow of grain than is required in the ase of shelled corn. A well-constructed self-feeder will last a number of years, and as it may not always be convenient to feed the same grain every season some provision must be nade to accommodate different sizes

When one science is learned others they are occupied.

#### SHIRLEY

Yews Items.

The parsonage of the Congregation. al church has been renovated from op to bottom and never in the hisory of the church has it ever looked Esther, whoes furniture arrived from tells of his life "over there" as fo.expected to arrive before Sunday.

Reginald Twilley, a soldier from Camp Devens, and Miss Edna Slatt, of New Jersey, were married last Sunday afternoon by Rev. S. F. Goodheart, would to cross the Taried States. The

The horse was immediately killed. Morse & Co. were hired by the New England Power Company to remove three eleven-ton transformers from the freight depot to the power plant at the Ballou mill.

Logue and Alfred A. Quinty, three Shirley boys, who have been called to the colors, left Monday for Fort Williams, Portland, Me., for military

Shirley went over the top by a good margin on the fourth liberty loan, the subscriptions amounting to fully \$75,000. Shirley's quota was \$50,000. The townspeople celebrated the event last Saturday evening by the ringing of all the bells in the town,

eopen on Monday and the ban on all public gatherings has been remov-

the Leschitzky method. Mr. Pollard much cheaper than in the United will teach you the technique of your art, style and expression. In Ayer, people here make considerable money Thursdays. Address, 11 Williams Street, Ayer.

Albert A. Fillebrown, auctioneer, will sell by public auction the live stock, hay, farming tools, household furniture, etc., belonging to Daniel Bartlett, Clark road, Shirley. The sale will be held on Saturday morning, November 2, at ten o'clock.

A New Pastor.

Rev. S. F. Goodheart commenced his duties last Sunday as pastor of the Congregational church, coming from Milton, N. H., where he has been the pastor of the Congregational church. He was born on September 28, 1872, in one of the Baltic provinces (Kovno Province), not far from Riga, his mother dying when he was three and half years old, his father being a merchant. His father was living he beginning of the great war in the city of Kovno, but in all probability he died from brutality and exposure, as all the inhabitants of that region were exiled when the Hun hordes

verran the Baltic provinces.

Mr. Goodheart came to New York a lad of sixteen years in 1889, and soon thereafter engaged in mission work on the East side, having become associated with the DeWitt Memorial church on Rivington street. The year of 1891-92 he was employed as a missionary by the First Presbyterian church of Newark, N. J. He attended the Union Missionary Training Institute of Brocklyn, N. Y., one year: three years at Oberlin college, Ohioris a graduate (B. A.) of Redfield college Redfield, S. D. and of Andrews lege, Redfield, S. D., and of Andover Theological seminary (B. D.). He was ordained in East Fairfield, Vt., guages and history for a year, having charge also of the church at De Smet,

patriotic and religious as well as literwith him in christian work as well as in the home. The Christian Herald, in its issue of September 25, had a

He has also been a factor in the civil life of every community where he has been a resident; is a "man's man." He has organized Brother-but it has gone lewer amount, but it has gone lewer along the top" hoods in all of his parishes and in severing his relations recently with the church in Milton the Brotherhood of that church passed resolutions expressing their regrets in his leaving them.

The Mending and Service Club.

activities of the Mending and Service in March or Apr club at Camp Devens. Mrs. Elmer The meetings club at Camp Devens. Allen is director of the board; Mrs. surgical dressors Lavonne Edgarton - in charge of the work at the base bespital Y. M. C. A.

not only for the work accomplished, lets to finish him. Pretty good, for a but also for the home atmosphere created by the women.

#### Letter from France,

The following letter, dated July 18, has been received by Mrs Catherine ny better. It will be occupied by has been received by Mrs. Catherine he newly called pastor from Milton, H., Rév. and Mrs. S. F. Goodheart, ith their ten-year-old daughter has been received by Mrs. Catherine Hooper, a member of Company C. 317th Field Signal Battanon, with the American Expedition, with the American Expeditionary Forces.

the new paster of the Congregational church:

would to cross the line and states whole let to learn from U. S. especially in regard Uniform state laws are advocated by the United States department of agriculture as being the most effective method of dealing with the sheep-killing dog. Investigation by the department of the states are nown sheen owners in 15 states. Some of the way to to transportation. Some of the way we traveled in a hox car and some in a passenger coach. There were about forty of us in a box car which rode that it ripped off the hoof, recently.

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The horse was immediately killed. we were passing through. It is wo derful to see the good farms and gar-dens run by women and old men and boys, for the most part. We passed many acres of barley, wheat and oats ready to be harvested. There is very

At present we are mileted in a small village of about 399 people, near the top of a mighty high hill. Some of the fellows are in barns, but I am in a house; that does not mean, however, that we have beds. From our quarters we get a fine view of the surrounding country. Hills in the dis tance and in the valley below us, vil-lages with their cement or stone lages with their cement or stone houses, which have red-tiled roofs f all the bells in the town.

The public schools of the town will few trees here and there.

I found out why everybody here is asking for cigarettes or cigars. soldiers can buy tobacco in any form Mr. C. N. Pollard, pianist and or-ganist; most modern method of teach-ing; many years abroad, a student of that is cigars, cigarettes, etc., are selling fruits and nuts to soldiers.

The French people have very poor bread, according to what we have. It is made of barley flour, buckwheat and other grains. You ought to see and other grains. You ought to see how the peasants will scramble after bread crumbs from our tables-they

are like so many henr.
In crossing the country we saw different groups of German prisoners. In age they range from boys to old men. The French say they are very good workers and that very few of them try to escape. I heard that some of them said they were giad they were out of the war.

Now I will have to learn French. wish I had studied it longer when at school; I have forgotten nearly all that I knew about the language, how-ever, once in a while I can get enough words to get the drift of the conversation This afternoon our band is to give

a concert. This morning the town crier went around town announcing the concert. He would beat on a drum and then read the notice, and then go on down the street where he repeated the performance. I never expected to ever see anything like that How is everything going on at nome? How many letters have you received since you got the postal? am feeling line. Your loving son, Leonard T. Hooper.

## LUNENBURG

News Items. On last Sunday morning church services were resumed and it did in-deed seem good to hear the objects on October 18, 1898, and after preaching a year was called out to Redfield the sound of the bell and no shurch; service whatever seemed strange. The cold, cloudy weather was soo man h for the more delicate people and on Monday morning several new cases Returning east he was successively were reported. All the social func-Returning east he was successively pastor in Lowell. Vt. 3½ years: Whiting 6 years and St. Johnsbury 3 years, going from there to Milton, N. H., in September, 1915, after spending that continuing their daily sessions. Soon Panama-Pacific exposition and other places of interest on the coast.

Mr. Goodheart preaches without are opening exercises and just on the pupils and teachers were nicely get. Concord, came to see her and showed ting down to work the assistant teach how valuable this branch of work may er in the high school was called out be to every family who has a member after opening exercises and just as the Mr. Goodneart preaches without er in the high school was caused out notes, is faithful in pastoral visitation, with the announcement that a case has written a number of essays on of influenza had level and in his famriotic and religious as well as liter-themes, and his wife is a partner themes, and his wife is a partner thin in christian work as well as the home. The Christian Herald

results are anticipated. full page article by Mr. Goodheart, and the Bible champion has recently printed an essay from Mr. Goodheart's is known that the amount is about burgh. is known that the amount is about 53000 over and above the Sun asked Theodore Perkins has begun trai for, which was \$75,000. At just down ing at the North Easton university. thought impossible for one fittle edun-try town to raise that pred amount, but it has cone have does the top" and people are now wonlight how in the world it was dead. The Boy Scouts were a very amountar' factor-in the work of some subscriptions for this lean, as we has in the first, second and third of less, and have done The Mending and Service Club.

Shirley women are prominent in the is ready, as we are a seed of will be

The meetings of ing circle and We alb appoints

slip of a girl.

Two fine new baby boys were well-

#### HARVARD

News Items

There was an informal entertain ment given at the Maplecrest house by Miss Maria A. Doyle and Katherine M. Murphy, of Harvard, Monday eve ning. Supper was served to over 100 soldier boys from Camp Devens, and a very enjoyable evening was spent. A number of musical selections were given by Lieut, Percy S. Keating, of Camp

Friends of Miss Clara Endicott Sears are interested in her first real novel, "The bellringer," just brought out by a Boston publishing house. Another author from the modest town of Harvard of similar high social place. Mrs. Fiske Warren, has brought out a war poem. Miss Sears and her mother, Mrs. Knyvet Sears, are spending more and more time at their country nome, which seems to be more satis factory than their Boston house. Mrs Warren's mother, Mrs. Hamilton Osrecently returned from England, is with her. She makes her home in London with her son-in-law and daughter, Lieut.-Com, and Mrs. Robert Erskine Childers.

Francis X. Bushman and Beverly Bayne, in "Cyclone Higgins, D. D.," will be the feature picture at the motion picture show this Saturday even-The Screen Telegram will also be one of the features.

Red Cross Notes.

There was a special meeting of the auxiliary in Hapgood Memorial committee room on Tuesday afternoon with twenty members present. At this meeting Miss Frances O'Brion was elected as president and Mrs. William B. Haskell vice president. A brief report was given of the work produced during the last four years, the chief item of which was that approximately 5884 articles of all kinds had been sent away. A most satisfying report was given of the tea shop which will continue to be open for the present under the efficient management of Miss Grace Willard and Miss Gertrude Farwell. A vote of thanks was given the retiring officers, Miss Clara E. Sears and Mrs. Austin Peters, for all that they had done in behalf of the auxiliary from its beginning as a guild Because of their valuable service and untiring labor in the positions which they have held it was voted that they be appointed an advisory board.

Mrs. H. B. Royal, Mrs. Albert Bigelow, Mrs. George Maynard and Mrs. H. T. G. Whitney have been appointed as conservation committee. Everyone is asked to collect as much tinfoil old pewter and platinum as possible and also the different fruit stones and nuts to be used in the manufacture of gas masks. All stones of fruits should cleaned and dried. Leave all colections at the home of Mrs. H. B. Royal before Monday, and after that still keep on collecting.

All those who have clothing and articles to put in the box to be sen articles to put in the box to be sent to the Belgians will please bring the same to the room back of the Red Cross tea shop before October 30. Every kind of, garment for all ages and both sexes is urgently needed. In addition piece goods, light, warm flannel, ticking, sheeting and blankets, woolen goods of any kind and shoes of every size are asked for: rubbers are not wished for. Scrap leather is needed for repairing. Only garments made of strong and durable materials should be sent. Any information as to the garments needed will be given by the packing committee, Mrs. George Maynard and Mrs. George Gale.

## BOXBOROUGH

Mrs. George Keyes has been appointed chairman of the committee of the home service department of the Red Cross in this town. Miss Colt. of in the army. Any question, whether financial or otherwise will receive at-

esults are anticipated. ing daily to hear of the safe arrival of Just the exact and unt of subscription wife from Scotland, received word

Theodore Perkins has begun train-Mrs. Lewis Richardson returned from her visit among relatives in New Hampshire on Tuesday, coming with her husband when he brought home

the last of his cattle from "up coun-

Mrs. Addis Loring, with her son and wife, have been at their house at Lib-erty square to a short time. They will all spend the watter in Worcester.

Word has been received that James Masters was woulded to France has been returned to New York.

The success of the liberty loan drive

boxes gave out. Mrs. B. O. Hager's

two children acted as runners.

The days thus spent were real pictules for all. There is no pleasanter home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Coop. place for an outing these golden Octoweighing nine pounds, and the other for days than an orchard, where the at Mr. and Mrs. Robert Harley's which these are bending to the ground with weighed ten pounds. All are dung truit. The success of the pickers has been so great that they are already accepting engagements for next year.

Church Notes.

Church services will be resumed on Sunday. Moraniz worship at cleven o'clock. Sunday school at 12.15. Young people's meeting and evening ervice at seven o'clock.

The semi-annual meeting of the North Middlesex branch of the Wornan's Board of Missions will be held at Rollstone church, Fitchburg, Tuesday,

The September meeting of the local Missionary auxiliary was held at the home of Mrs. F. H. Dean. Following the annual reports officers for the comng year were elected as follows: Mrs. B. C. Steele, pres.: Miss M. E. Hager, v. p.; Mrs. G. W. Burroughs, sec.; Mrs. F. H. Dean, treas.; Mrs. A. W. Nelson, supt. cradle roll. Following the business meeting a short talk was given by Rev. G. M. Missirlan.

The Missionary meeting was held on Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. A. W. Nelson. The program was of home mission interest. The study book for the coming year is "Women workers of the Orient."

On Sunday evening, November 10, union home missionary meeting will e held at seven o'clock. A committee from the Woman's Missionary auxiliary and the Young People's society have the program in charge. A colection for home missions and special nusic are features of the evening. Reorts from phases of work in America vill be given.

There has been general regret at the news of the illness of our recent pas-tor, Rev. G. M. Missirian. The report of his recovery is gladly received.

#### New Advertisement TOWN OF HARVARD

The Board of Registrars will be in ession at the Selectmen's Room on the following dates:

Saturday, October 26, from 12 o'clock noon until 10 o'clock P. M. Charles H. Haskell, Spurgeon M. Farnsworth. Perley Beard



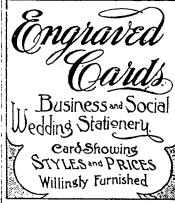
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#### PEPPERELL

The Pepperell Card & Paper Company employees have the honor of being entitled to a pennant for 100 percent subscription in the fourth liberty

arker and William Hutchinson qualified for the special award offered by, the U. S. treasury department,

James Sawtell, who was so severely jarred in an auto accident over a week ago, is slowly recovering. He is out, but not able yet to do any work. Mildred Sawtell, hearing of the accident. came from Boston to see her brother, and staxed until last Sunday, when she sister Althea returned to their duties in Boston.

Audrey Burkinshaw resumed her teaching in Groton on Monday.

Anyone desiring to communicate with the reporter for this paper next week can do so by calling up by teleрьопе--89-2.

Miss Ella Parker has concluded her services with the town farm, where she has been assistant matron and has worked there over a year since last

Although the type for this paper is cast by machinery it has to be oper-nted by the human hand. When copy comes in from over thirty correspondents at the last moment it is two much for human endurance to work night and day to wade through this pile of correspondence. This week quite a lot of news items have been omitted for this reason, and the correspondents who find some of their copy missing in the paper are thus made acquainted with the reason of its non appearance. Copy must be in eathe week—the earlier the better. Copy must be in early in

Pepperell Braiding Company raised \$2200 for the fourth liberty loan as against \$2000 for the third.

Mrs. Leander Stewart, of Cranberry street, visited Lynn a little over a week ago for an auto trip, and called upon n lot of friends. She was offered twenty dollars a week to remain, but came home last Saturday and is now ready for another auto trip anywhere. How is that for Grandma Stewart?

Mr. and Mrs. Philip Morant, of Rivstreet, have had a visitation recent ly from Mrs. Gibbs and daughters, of Boston.

It seems a great pity that the burn-ing of the leaves in our streets should go on when our farmers need the humus and other chemical properties so much in the ground.

Mrs. Charles Bolles, of Nashua has recently had a visit from her sister, Miss Clementine Mason, of Reading.

Revere to the double tenement of Moses Palmer opposite the grammar school building. James Breen has been in town see-

Fred Chase has moved his family

ing relatives and friends. Neil McWilliams has recently had a

visit from his brother, John McWilliams, from Concord. It is reported that the Pepperell

an artesian supply put in and that James Gray has the job. It is said that when Miss Florence

Kemp called her committee of women workers together on the fourth liberty loan committee, she thought if each of the fourteen could get \$1000 each they would do well-they did that and more too. It is said that Forest Winch is get-

ting over the influenza in good shape. Before he was taken sick he was making four trips a day with an auto truck loaded with wood between the Sullivan woodlot and Nashua. If being out in the fresh air was a preventative of the influenza, it would seem as if he ought to have escaped.

James Hinchey moved into a house on Cottage street and has gone to work in the mills. He was until recently foreman on the Greenhalge farm. B. Beckett man on the farm, and Louis Nutting. of Tucker avenue, will help him. Both high standing, and only those who families will move into the double knew him could appreciate his stertenement house on the Greenhalge

Mr. and Mrs. John Frossard return ed on Wednesday night from a visit to his sister at Hyde Park.

Mrs. Jonas Andrews plans to be with her daughter, Mrs. Earl Farns-

worth, Ayer, Saturday and Sunday. The annual meeting of the Village Aid will be held at the home of Mrs. Belle Heald, Main street, Monday afternoon at three o'clock.

George Jenks is much better and able to get out, although still the rse for the wear and tear of the The following pictures will be

It is reported that Charles Taft has decided to return to his old position the Nashua River Paper Co. will again become a resident of Pepperell, which will please his mar-

On October 11, Robert William Mor. ahan and Hazel Mildred Hatel were Joined in marriage by Rev. D. R. Chi

Melville Gaskill of Oak hill is  $g \oplus g$ to move to Nashua for the winter, is noth he and his son Raymond have employment there.

Mr and Mrs. Frank Duaton of South ortland with Sor Harold came last Saturday by auto to visit Mr. and Mrs. assapproval by the voters of the store is Henry Lakin.

though planning to go home October wise.

1. prolonged her stay on account of This Saturday, from twelve noncousin, B. W. Parker.

Mrs. Vanderford has progressed so be held in the selectmen's room. that last Wednesday she could set up in bed for awhile.

Letter from Oversens.

friends here.

The following letter has been re-France, dated August 24:

Dear Folks-Just a few lines to let fine. We are now back in a rest area, in New England last week. The one having a fairly good time. We are were all closed because of and a having a fairly good time. We are were all situated in a very small village, at epidemic. which place we are in training. It is Mr. C. N. Pollard, pianist a very quaint old place, such as you ganist; most modern method read about in travels and old French ing; many years abroad, a stude books. We had seventy-two straight the Leschitizky method. Mr. is days in the trench and made the whole advance on the Marne, and believe art, style, and expression. In me we certainly showed the Boche Thursdays. some good American fighting spirit, Street, Ayer ...

and we saw a lot of action and would certainly like to tell you all about it, but the law will not permit.

I suppose that Pepperell is the same old place as it always was, but I sup-pose that most of the young men have been drafted and in the army now, but never mind, the Munson family did not wait to be drafted, they were thead of some of the fellows any way and I guess that I have done as well The Boy Scouts secured in the as any of them, so far, don't you think fourth liberty loan drive thirty-four subscribers for \$4400. Scouts Afred Parker and William Hutchinson qualiofficer now over eleven months, and will be in France six months the latter part of this month, and then I will have a gold service stripe on my sleeve for six months' active service in France, which is not so bad after all, but nevertheless I hope that this war will not last that much longer, as things are now looking pretty is though it was nearing the finish ion't you think so?

I suppose you have been watching the paper for all the good news from here, because it seems as though the Allies have the old Kaiser on the run and we are going to keep doing he same thing for some time to come. I am staying in a nice place with a French family, and have a very nice room, and it is furnished very nice and have a nice view from my window into a pretty garden and orchard, and the church is about a hundred feet over the fence—one of those old-time stone churches built a couple of hundred years ago, and believe me it seems like heaven side of the place we have had to put up with for the past couple of months, and a fellow appreciates a nice room and a place where he can clean up and take things easy and not trial. The arrest was made by re have to worry about being shelled all of the Boston police department. clean up and take things easy and not the time.

Well, dear folks, our battalion has been cited in division orders and we had all our pictures taken by the movwill appear in the states soon. You can see it in Pathé war pictures, or Pathé Weekly, or Pershing's Crusaders or Allied war films. We were all standing in front of a chateau and the captain with four lieutenants, myself included, walked and handed the men the citations, so vatch out for it; it may come to Pep-

Well I will close for this time. Your Sam.

1st Lleut, Samuel H. Munson, Co. C. 5th Field Bn., Signal Corps, 3d Division Regulars, A. E. F., France.

About Town.

The Pepperell branch of the Red Cross on October 19 sent the following finished articles to Lowell: 25 winter bed shirts, 25 boys' under drawers, convalescent gowns, 30 boys' suits, 50 red packet bags, 50 adominal band-Ladies are requested to send in all finished work before November 1. all finished work before xoender.

Those wishing to send Christmas boxes to the boys at the front, will find an article to their interest under the Townsend Center items in regard to this part they are to have in make ng Christmas day a little brighter for the young men. These boxes may be procured of the Red Cross headquarers in town.

The postponed meeting of the L. B. S. of the Congregational church will be held Thursday afternoon, Novem-

per 14, at the vestry. For other Pepperell matter see first

oage.

Daniel F. Dwyer, formerly of this town, but recently of Forest Hills, Boston, passed away on October 14, after several months' illness. His funera took place from the home of his par-ents, 62 Tower street, Forest Hills, on Thursday at 9.30, followed by a high mass of requiem at St. Thomas' church, Jamaica Plain, Interment was Mount Benedict cemetery. West

Roxbury. Mr. Dwyer was well known in Pepperell where he was born and received his early education, graduating from the Pepperell High school. He later New York city, where he was employed for some years, and where he took up the study of law and after completing his studies was admitted to the har of that state

Mr. Dwyer was a young man of very ling character and loyalty.

In 1910 he was married to a Miss Margaret Shaughnessy, of Hyde Park, who survives him, as do also his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Garvey, and four sisters, Mrs. C. B. McMackin and Miss Helen Garvey, of Forest Hills, Mrs. W. J. Mahoney, of Somerville, and Sister Mary Dorothy of the Presentation Order of Nuns. Clinton.

at Page hell theatre next week. Mon-switch and 20ing on another track day. William Farnum in "The bond The tender was wrenched from the Influenza.

Joseph Sheppard was called last day, William Farnum in "The bond day, William Farnum in "The bond week to St. Albans, Vt. to attend the funeral of his sister, who died from the funeral of his sister, who died from Lybel in No man's land"; Thursday, Ber Chairman, He returned Tuesday, Lybel in No man's land"; Thursday, Chairman, Called Society, Co. influenza. News. Remember the coming of the great ploture. "To hell with the Kaiser November 6 and 7

Marr. i. in Ayer, by Rev. J. W. the local section men wo in justing the tracks. Stromas, October 19. Raymon's Geds. clearing them for traffic of Cock, Ky., and Bestrice Jacobs, of Wharton, N. J.: Henry Bradley, of A. W. C. Wayeross, Ga., and Christina Coleman

the constitutional convention. which will be put on the ballot for Nevember election for approva lenry Lakin.

Miss Nellie Fitch of Malden, al-

epidemic and may now remain till ill nine in the evening is the last time having contributed already over \$20, middle of November with her for registering voters before the election on November 5. The session w. hall building.

A slight mix-up between three a mobile on East Main street, near pumping station last Sunday of noon, resulted in one slightly injured ceived from Lieut, S. H. Munson in passenger and a damaged parties were all from out of town Page's hall theatre had the only one op-

tinction of being the

It is Mr. C. N. Pollard, pianist Address, 11

The October meeting of the W. C. postponed on account epidemic will be held in the Baptist vestry on Friday afternoon, November 8 at 2.30 o'clock. A full attenda ance is requested as business of importance is to come before the meet-

Happy Jack is laughing all over his face today. Since the report a week ago he has sold 257 thrift and 25 war stamps. He calls to all the club, "Keep it up! We are winning fast,"

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church will serve a baked bean sup-per Tuesday, October 19, from six to 7.30 in the vestry of the church.

A special inceting of the Ladles' Benevolent society of the Federated church will be held Tuesday after-noon, October 29, in the vestry of the church at 2.30 p'clock.

The town of Ayer exceeded its quota of \$225,000 in the fourth liberty loan by a good margin, the known sum raised being \$328,850. When all returns are checked up it is expected that the total amount will be around \$350,000. The First National bank subscribed for \$160,000 and the North Middlesex Savings bank \$50,000. Miss Emma Murray of Forge Vil-

lage has entered the employ of George B. Turner & Son in their store here. George E. Foster, a soldier at Camp Devens, who was arrested here last week by Officer T. J. Pirone on a charge of the larceny of an automobile in Boston, was taken back to Bos ton last week Friday afternoon by Inspector Shevlin and Officer Connell of the police department of that city for The arrest was made by request trial has not yet been held. lieved that the name given by the sol dier is fictitious, as he is reported to have at least one assumed name. arrest of this man, it is believed, will clear up the larceny of twelve other cars which have been stolen within short time in Ayer and Camp Devens.

When the West Street Lunch was opened for business on Wednesday morning it was discovered that the cash register had been emptied of clerk, Wilfred Baldle, is missing, which points strongly to the suspicion that he may be responsible for the disup-pearance of the cash. Chief Beatty was notified of the case and is trying to locate the fugitive.

**Hearings** 

On Monday evening the selectmen ield a hearing in their room on the petition of K. M. McLennan, who apeared for permission to conduct a garage of the first-class and to keep or store volatile inflammable liquid in onnection therewith on Pirk street he maximum quantity of such liquid to be stored at any one time to be 500 gallons. The other purposes for which the building is to be used are for a workshop and stock.

Another hearing was held on the petition of the New England Power Company for a location of a proposed fine of poles with necessary wires and fixtures for the transmission of high and low tension electric current over the Groton road to Ayer, the owners of land on each side of the places of crossing being as follows: The New England Power Company to the New England Power Company, Joseph Graves, G. A. McCollester and L. W. Graves, G. A. McCollester and Phelps and Thomas R. Clough.

Ther was also a third petition by the Ayer Electric Light Company for a line of poles and fixtures across the public way or ways hereinafter named for the duration of the war: Pearl street, three poles: Pearl street two poles and three additional wires. The object in asking for this location by the electric light company is to provide a duplicate line for transmitting power, so that if the present line gets out of order the proposed new line be used instead. Charles W. Mahan, who lives on the street where the location is asked for, protested against running the high tension wires through it on account of the danger that might arise from such a course The selectmen reserved their decision upon all the petitions

smash Up. and the engine tender of Three cars an east bound freight train were de railed at the beginning of the "Y leading from the Fitchburg main line track to the upper yard. Monday night, tearing up the track for about 200 feet, causing considerable damage to the cars and blocking this en trance to the yard all night. The accident happened close to the pump house near Phelps' saw mill. The cause of the Becaliment was apparently due to the switch being slightly out The front part of the locomotive passed over the switch safely the tender "riding" the point of the comptive and rolled to the edge steep bank directly over the ca which spans the channel running in the pond to Phelps' mill. The motive continued a few feet ther and had settled somewhat tothe pond when it stopped. no one hurt. A wrecking crew with huge steam derrick from Nashua and the local section men worked all night tting the tracks in shape and

springs, Ark.

The victory drive undertaken by mussion.

There are now two crossing tenders at the Boston and Maine railroad to maintain a furlough homeour soldlers abroad. Magazahu man our soldiers abroad, Massachu-the stands second among the states, Hutch In the report of our own state

resident, Mrs. Gurnoy, emphasis was sition as mail carrier between the on the work on Americanization, postoffice and the railroad station, and The report of the State Federation notice is posted calling for bids for the meeting was reported clearly and ful-ly by Mrs. Grace M. Dickerman. Mrs. Carter, accompanied by

Miss Flora Cole, sang. The regular meeting at the executive board will be November 1 at the home of the president. Red Cross day is to be held on the

lub birthday, November: 6, at the Unitarian vestry, Ray M. Cushman, field director of the Red Cross at Camp Devens, will speak on "Home service." Miss N. Mabel Vella of Lynn will sing. This will be an oper of meeting and the public is cordially Bring Red Cross ed invited to attend. our knitting or sewing bag for work to be done during the afternoon. Silver ollection will be taken to be used for Red Cross work.

HARVARD

Rev. Arthur Schenfeldt, of Minne-apolis, Minn., preached at the Unituri-an church last Sunday. Mr. Hender-son, of Marblehead, will preach on Bunday.

The federal tood administration churches to observe Sunday, October 27, as conservation Sunday.

The Woman's Alliance will meet with Mrs. Austin Peters for an allday sewing meeting on Thursday, No-

Since the necessity for discontinuing the military drills appears to have ceased, they will be held at the usual time and place. All those who have attended in the past are urged to be on hand on Monday night and new men will be welcomed. In addition to the drill on Monday, there will be a motion picture, "Fit to fight," for all men over eighteen years of age, produced by the war department as a part of their efforts towards presenting to those subject to draft some of the problems which will confront them in military life. A speaker will also be present. This picture is free. and all men over eighteen years ar urged to attend.

The regular monthly union temper ance meeting will be held at the Bap tist church on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Carl C. Stressman and son Roger, of Bridgeport, Conn., have been guests of Mrs. James A. Barry. Mr. Stressman Joined them on Wednesday and they accompanied him to Vermont to spend his vacation, trapping.

Harvard went over the ton in the fourth liberty loan drive with flying colors. With a quota of \$101,000 the amount subscribed was \$135,000. subscriptions ranged from \$50 to \$25,000.

On Friday evening of next week the Harvard Canning and Evaporating club will give their annual exhibit and sale. Upwards of 2000 jars will be exhibited and later sold. The hall opens at two o'clock in the afternoon. cash register had been emptied of its receipts, amounts to forty dollars. The place was found to be locked and a gasolene stove burning. The night Worcester Entertaining Troupe. O. H. Benson, from Washington, D. C., will he the speaker of the evening, assisted by others from the Worcester County Farm Bureau and Amherst. During the afternoon and evening here will be demonstrations in canning and evaporating. A nominal fee of admission will be charged for the evening's entertainment. This will be an exceptional opportunity to obtain a winter's supply of canned fruit and vegetables. All the products not sold during the afternoon will be sold at public auction in the evening. .

Miss Dunlap, assistant at the Bromfield school, is still unable to resum her work, although she expects to be back on Monday. Word from Ithel Ryan, received

Thursday evening, still states that he a critically sick man, with a fighting chance for recovery. Miss Evelyn Farnsworth is expect-

vork in France. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Wetherbee returned last week from their visit to

Thomas Dolan, Jr., is wearing the uniform. He is at present at the radio school in Cambridge, although previ-ously he has been with the aviation school.

Last week-end guests were Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Moses, from Providence. R. I., at their home here: Mr. and Mrs. Harry Atwood with Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gale; Miss Ruth Atwood is spending this week with her grandparents.

Miss Carrie Houghton has assumed ier work as clerk at the postoffice.

The concert given on Thursday eve ing to a crowded house, under the. Warner lecture course by the Brooke was a splendld one, all of the artists proving their unquestionable right to their title.

The Woman's club held its first the new president, Mrs. Lyman H. Morse, in the chair. Mrs. Jessie D. Hodder, superintendent of the reform-Morse, in the chair. atory for women at Sherborn, who was xpected to address the club on that afternoon, sent word at a late hou that she would be unable to meet the ppointment. Officers of the club fee that they were very fortunate in securing Mrs. Edward W. Breed, of Clinton, who gave an interesting talk of Yellowstone National Park. On Monday, October 28, the club will hol an open meeting, with the program scheduled for October 7, which had to e postponed. A rare musical treat been provided for the town and it

xomen, will take advantage of it.

s hoped that everyone

Miss Anna Abbott, who has been re cuperating from the influenza at her ister's, Mrs. Spurgeon Farnsworth, in Harvard, has returned housekeeper at A. W. Robinson's.

Warren Harrod returned to his school teaching in Worcester. Wel-nesday, the schools having been closed for several weeks on account of the

Services were resumed at the Dap tist church on Sunday, after being closed three Sundays.

t and gave an instructive and training school, and they hope later to thing report of the biennial at hear that he has received his com-

the Boston and Maine railroad ossing. Mr. Heeley, the regular Hutcherson coming on then for four hours A. H. Holland has resigned his no

LITTLETON

News Items,

A telegram from the Red Cross so ciety on Wednesday brought to George Tapp the comforting news that his son, Warren E., reported as missing in action since September 15, has been heard from. He was a prisoner in a Berman camp and reported well. Joseph Lovejoy is at home for the

veck-end. He has recently joined Harvard unit and for a time has been in quarantine with his comrades. Harold Conant, who has influenza and is in care of Mrs. Merriam, R. N

is decidedly better at last reports. เรีย

Mrs. George H. Kimball has been mothering two of the little Napolitano children, but they have now re-

turned home Charles Scott's family are all sick

Mrs. Frank Plummer, with her daughter Margaret, are visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stephens.

The ladies of the Congregational soclety have decided that as the women have extra demands in Red Cross work this year; and materials are very expensive, they will omit their annual fair this season and substitute a dollar campaign, allowing each woman to earn a dollar, which she will place the treasury at a specified time in the near future.

Littleton's quota for the war fund drive is set at \$1500, which is a fair amount and ought to be oversubscribed at least fifty percent to equal what has been contributed to the seven or ganizations during the past year. A representative committee will be appointed and called together early next

Obliuary.

Littleton people and friends in ed and silenced by the sad intelligence of Mrs. Lucy Houghton Zappey' death from pneumonia, following in-fluenza, which occurred on Sunday, October 20, at her home in Greenwich Village. Complying with regula-tions relative to her disease the interment was made on the following day The remains arrived on the 2.40 afternoon train and were borne to the fam ily lot in Westlawn, where they were surrounded by a large company of sympathetic relatives and friends durmost impressive service conducted by Mrs. Zappey's former pastor, Rev. O. J. Fairfield. His faithfut review of

voiced in tender, sympathetic lan guage.
The brilliant rays of the autumn sun burst in all their splendor from the gathering clouds and the falling leaves rustled gently as all that was mortal was laid to rest by the bearers, Messrs. Needham, Whitcomb, Kimball and Priest. Few were her years, but filled with the joys of a pure and in nocent childhood, and crowned with the achievements of lunselfish, aspiring womanhood.

her brief but beautiful life, and his

just and affectionate tribute

Lucy Houghton, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel G. Houghton, was born in Littleton in November, 1891. With her parents, her two sisters and one brother she passed her happy childhood at the ancestral estate on Goldsmith street. She attendant on Goldsmith street. She attended the Littleton schools and was gradunted from the high school with honor. She continued her education at Wheaton seminary, receiving her di-ploma from that institution about six years ago, and then pursued a course in music in Boston.

She was a valued teacher of sewing in the seventh and eighth grades of the Littleton schools, where she gave most ommendable instruction in her sub

Through her aspirations for spiritual, mental and social growth and her ing word daily to leave for canteen utilitarian interests she affiliated herself with church, Sunday school, club and allied organizations through which she wrought an acceptable service and attained to stately mansions of her wn soul. On September 1, 1917, the proudest,

happiest day of her life, she exchanged marriage vows with J. Fred Zappey, of Medford, and with him entered a new field of activities in the superintendence of the Hillside School for Boys in Greenwich Village. Qualified in every particular for the important, office of natron in this school, she took up the duties pertaining to the position with conscience and ambition for the boys to whom she ministered socially and spiritually. Fourteen happy months she spent there, and as she said, "If we can only make good citizens of some of these youths what a satisfaction will result from our efforts." are assured that she let no opportunity pass that would contribute to the desired fruition, and we are convinced that

ason on Monday with What she to them has been

Bright, cheery, able and always eady to enter into work or play in heir season, she lightened the burdens of life, encouraged the faint-hearted, and entered heart and soul into whatever she undertook, whether it was singing in the choir, taking part in a Back Log drama, filling the secetaryship of the Woman's club, helpng in the home or assisting her hu hand in his responsible charge. So willing, so capable, so useful a young woman, and so much needed here we find it hard to be reconciled to her untimely death; but there is a reason. and it may some day be revealed cannot think of her as separated from

us in the truest sense, for Ours is she by an ownership Nor time nor death can free: For God hath given to Love to ke its own eternally.

## SHIRLEY

News Items.

Mrs. Diana Lomme, wife of Adolphus Lomme, aged 41 years, 3 months and 29 days, passed away at the Bur-bank hospital, Fitchburg, Wednesday evening, from the effects of peritonitis and kidney trouble after a brief illness Mr. and Mrs. Heeley have received was born in Canada and has been a Pahuetto, Fla.

Major Weeks, of Newto spake to agod sized audience in Depot square agod sized audience in Depot square the firstly's hall. Mrs. George Minot agod sized audience in Depot square the firstly's hall. Mrs. George Minot had been transferred from Camp Gordon, Ga., and respected by the townspeople. Because the firstly and the square and grave an instructive and training school and they have received was been in Canada' and has been a word from their son William that he resident of Shirley for three years. She was a kind neighbor and friend Green, N. C., to Camp Gordon, Ga., and respected by the townspeople. Because the first of the State Federation, was the constitutional convention. norning and interment will be in St. loseph's cemetery, Fitchburg.

The Landry family have left the on Tinker hill, moving ottage house into one of the new tenement houses recently erected by the Samson Cord-Works. The cottage he vacates will be occupied by the Napoleon Hunt family. Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert M. Ballou let

town on Wednesday for the south and expect to remain during the winter. Miss Hazel Ballou has resigned her

position at the Ayer National bank and has accepted a position in the office of the Samson Cordage Works. Albe L. Annis leaves his position this week-end at the President Sus pender Company and will commence the first of next week as night gate tender at the Phoenix railroad crossing.

John H. Flynn and Walter Knowles commence jury duty next Monday at the civil session of the superior court in Cambridge.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank C. Brockelman with two children, left Thursday for week's visit with relatives at Reeds Ferry and Manchester, N. H.

Oct. | Friday-Saturday | Oct.

Prices except as noted go into effect Friday morning and hold until lots are sold

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Telephone 113-2 Mrs. Louisa Lynch and family have moved from Lunenburg to Shirley, oc-cupying the Bliss tenement on Tinker

hill, next to the Napoleon Hunt fam-

The Girls' club will hold a dance in

Odd Fellows' hall on Saturday even-

ing of this week, under the direction of Miss Minette Zuver, the supervisor

420 Main Street

About Town. Public meetings, church services, schools and societies will again come The ban, strictly lived up to in Shirley during the epidemic, will e lifted on Monday.

The liberty loan quota of \$50. has been over-subscribed about \$30,000. The committee in charge of the loan is to be highly commended for its zealous work. The Shirley Community Service

Shirley is to be heartily congratu

dances will not begin until a week rom this Saturday. The Fitchburg high school reopens on Monday morning.

The Ladies' Aid of the Unitarian church will meet with Mrs. Wheeler on Wednesday, October 30. There is unclaimed mail at the post office for Charles Langher.

Mrs. Frank Kosnoski, who has been ill with pneumonia, died at her home on Wednesday evening. She is sur vived by her husband and two children. Mrs. Charles Anderson, of Fredoni an street, gave birth to a son on Sun

day evening. Mrs. Anderson is the wife of Private Charles Anderson, stationed at Camp Devens. The public schools of Shirley will eopen on Monday. It is requested that children in homes where there is Spanish influenza or penumonia, when there is likelihood of the spread of the

contagion, will not attend school until the danger is averted. Austin M. Fish visited his mother Mrs. Lavonne Edgarton, and Shirley friends, Sunday. He has made the football squad at Wentworth Insti-

Mrs. Lydia Binney has returned from the Clinton hospital. The excitement has cooled down-

Shirley has lived up to its traditions with an over-subscription in the fourth-liberty loan. And now go on collecteach stones and nut shells, buy ing thrift stamps with our candy allowance; using the United States food administration recipes; contributing to the Y. M. C. A. funds and mending, knitting and making surgical dress-ings. Our soldiers are always in top speed to win the war.

Mrs. Jack Barker, who has been living with Mrs. Conant to he near her husband. Lieut Barker, stationed at Camp Devens, has been taken ill with the Spanish influenza. \ A nurse has been secured from Fitchburg. Mrs. Barker's mother, Mrs. Pepper, has come from Toledo, Ohio, to be with ier daughter.

The registrars of voters will be in session at engine hall on this week Saturday from tweive at noon until ten o'clock in the evening.

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> Bath, Me., this week Friday. Mrs. J. C. Ayres and her daughter, Mrs. Eastman, have just returned from a visit with friends in Worcester. Westboro and South Berlin. They had the pleasure of picking a pint of ripe strawberries, Wednesday, on the farm of Thomas Linday, South Berlin.

Miss Vera Bradford returned to

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Henderson and two daughters, of Wareham, arrived father, J. C. Ayers, Thursday. Henderson will be remembered as Miss Mabel Ayers. Robert H. J. Holden is recovering

He is at the home of his sister-in-law. irs. H. P. Barnard, in the village. Ralph Graves spent Saturday and Sunday in Somerville. Services will be resumed at the Unitarian church on Sunday morning at

eleven o'clock. Everybody cordially

from an attack of influenza and pneu-

monia, but is not able to be out yet

Mrs. E. J. Stevens, who has been visiting Mrs. L. J. Farnsworth for several days, returns to Boston this week. Mrs. Annie Andrews, Mrs. Charles Quimby and Miss Edith Sargent, of Fitchburg, were in town on Wednes-William Ford, of Danvers, and of.

the state highway commission, was in town on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. Ford will be pleasantly remembered by friends as guests at W. E. Barnard's luring the summer of 1916, when the state road was under rom the Lunenburg line to Ayer. Daniel Bartlett is out once more af-

ter his attack of pneumonia, and is planning to return with his daughter. Mrs. Annie Ward, to Florida, to spend the winter. His daughter, Mrs. Ward, and Mr. and Mrs. Linton B. Ward are able to be about once more, all having been ill with the grippe. New Advertisements

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the members of Beacon Lodge and Acoma Rebekah Lodge, to all neighbors and friends, who by word and deed, helped lessen our sorrow at the time of our bereavement.

East Pepperell; Mass., Oct. 22, 1918. CARD OF THANKS

The family of Charles O. Messer wish to express their thanks to the neigh-hors and friends who have been so kin-to them in their recent sickness and bereavement; also, for the beautiful flowers which were sent.

Mrs. Allen D. Parker, Earl W. Parker.

Mrs. Charles O. Messer.
Fred Messer.
Frank Messer.
Mrs. Bert. Blood.
Henry Messer.
Mrs. Frank Ford. East Pepperell, October 23, 1918.

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