

Pocket and Meat Knives Chinaware Razors and Scissors Hair Clippers Razor Strops Flashlights Thermos Bottles Thermos Lunch Sets Three-Coin Banks Coffee Percolators Pencil Sharpeners Tea Kettles Alarm Clocks Food Choppers Dog Collars Cello Water Bottles Bread Mixers Savory Roasters Nut Crackers and Picks Lunch Baskets

Main Street

people of Ayer and vicinity!

SHIRLEY

The C. B. B. club are holding their meeting for this week this Friday evening at the home of Miss Dorls White. A Christmas tree is the feature of the evening.

THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE

Electric Flat Irons Asbestos Flat Irons Sterno Stoves Perfection Heaters Rayo Lamps and Lanterns Pyrene Fire Extinguishers Cobbler Sets Clothes and Mop Wringers Ash Sifters and Ash Barrels Skates, Sleds, Skiis Playing Cards Snow Shovels Sidewalk Cleaners Hockey Sticks

Fish Reels Air Rifles **Boy Scout Axes** Game Traps

Depot Square

That They All May Be One

The Ministers' Union Seeks the Oneness in Good Will, and in

Practical Co-operation, of All the People!

Meeting of over a century ago, a World body. But it was

founded at Ayer. It's first meeting was held there in 1895. It

can never cease to appeal for the earnest good will of all the

It is not a local body, but, like the Hay Stack Prayer

sie Chapman at the Brookside A good number attended the moving pictures given in I. O. O. F. hall Monday evening by the Liberty Mutual Insurance Co. of Boston and the Samson Cordage Co. of this town. The bject of the pictures was to instruc the employees, who are insured in this company, in the ideas of safety. Friends of the employees also received complimentary tickets. The pictures were given through the courtesy of AYER, MASS. Harry Woods, who furnished the op-erator.

and seems much better than for a

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen have

closed their home and gone to the Hotel Brunswick, Boston, for the win-

an lodge, I. O. O. F., attended the funeral of William Wilkins on Monday afternoon: John E. Adams, George Balch. Henry Burrage, John Smith, Nelson Wamboldt, Mr. McKenzie and Frederick H. Fowler.

Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge will have the election of officers this Friday evening and will open at nine

o'clock instead of eight so the mem-bers may attend the Christmas exer-cises at the Congregational church.

The Ladies' circle will meet in the

church vestry next Wednesday after-noon for the regular business meeting and to tie quilts.

Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., will

hold its regular Christmas meeting next Tuesday evening with Mrs. Bes-

Fuesday, January 2.

C. H. Porter left Tuesday for New York on business for the President Suspender Co.

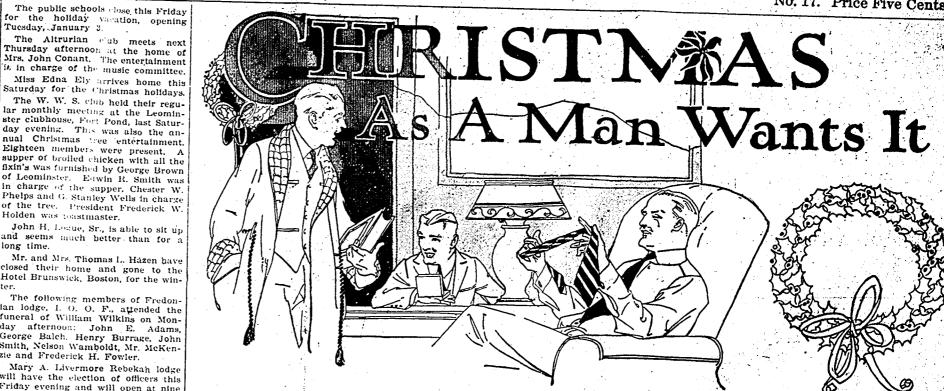
Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman is still con-fined to her home in Fitchburg with a lame knee, but plans to leave De-cember 28, for Louisville, Ky., where she will spend the winter with her

At the Gardner Poultry association show held December 15, 16 and 17, Stanley J. Gallagher won with his White Wyandottes the following prizes, first, second and third pullets, first and third cocks, first and second cockerels, second pen, and the special prize for white birds in show, won by first prize cockerel. This is his sixth exhibit and sixth straight win with hi birds.

try this Friday evening.

Thomas J. Gately returned to his work at the Samson Cordage Works this week, after being confined to his the home for two months.

LOWELL, MASS,



# His Christmas Gifts at Brown's

THE STORE OF A THOUSAND-AND-ONE THINGS THAT MEN APPRECIATE

Men's Christmas things can best be bought at a Man's Store. This is a practical Christmas year-a year when everybody is choosing gifts that will mean real pleasure and service.

For Men and Boys the gifts we have are just the gifts most appreciated. This store offers a great variety of merchandise, the very best qualities and the lowest prices in many years. Come to the Men's store and you may be perfectly sure that your selections will be best and most appropriate.

# CHRISTMAS HANDKERCHIEFS



Embroidered Initial 15¢ to 25¢ Japanette Initial .........15¢ Linen Initial .....40¢ to 75¢ Linen Hemstitched 25¢ to 75¢ Fine Cotton ..... 10¢ to 25¢ Fine Cambrie—3 in Christmas box ......50¢ and 75¢ Linen Hemstitched—3 in Christmas box ....\$1.50 to \$2.50 Silk Handkerchiefs in Fancy Colors and Plain White

50¢ to \$1.50 Little Boys' Handkerchiefs in Christmas box ..... 15¢ each

### GIVE HIM A SWEATER

Nothing Could Be More Acceptable Than	a Good Warm Sweater
Men's Coat Style, all colors	\$3.50 to \$10.00
Men's V-Neck Style all colors. Men's V-Neck, White with collar.	\$4.00 to \$10.00
The ramous fom wye Knit Coat	
Boys' Sweaters, all colors	98¢ to \$7.50



ine Cotton Hose, all colors	
aste Thread Hose, all colors	
ilk Hose, all colors	
ilk Hose, full fashioned	
ashmere Hose, fine quality	
leavy Wool Hose	39¢ to \$1.00
oys' Black Cat Hose, according to size	
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GIVE HIM GLO	OVES
Men's Dress Gloves, Unlined Cape	\$2.50 m
Men's Genuine Arabian Mocha, unlined	84 00
Men's India Mocha, unlined	\$2.50
Men's Genuine Buck, fine quality	\$4.50 and \$5.00
Men's Domestic Mocha, lined	\$1.50 to \$2.50
Men's Horsehide, lined and unlined	\$2.50 to \$5.00
Men's Woolen Gloves and Mittens	50 to \$2.00
Men's Work Gloves, Leather, lined and	unlined 596 to \$2.50
Men's Mocha Gloves, fur lined	\$5.00
Men's Fur Gauntlet Gloves	\$4.50 to \$7.50
Men's Leather Gauntlet Gloves, lined	\$3.00 and \$2.50
Boys' Gloves and Mittens	354 to \$1.25

# GIVE HIM A Necktie or a Muffler Four-in-Hands in Christmas Folders 50¢ to \$2.00 Boys' Four-in-Hands ..... 25¢ to 50¢

# MEN'S AND BOYS' CAPS AND TOQUES

Silk Mufflers ............\$3.00 to \$6.00 Wool Mufflers .......\$2.50 to \$4.00

Caps of Every Kind for Men and Boys. Toques and Knit Caps for

men, Boys and Children	
Men's Cloth Caps for Winter	754 10 82 50
Men's Fur Caps.	\$5.00 to \$2.00
Boys Cloth Caps for Winter	50¢ +0 81 00
Men's Tarn Toques	754 and Q1 00
Dovs farn Toques	394 + 81 00
Doys Aviation Caps	504 and 754
Children's Hats and Caps	504 to 81 00
Boys' Muffler Caps	\$1.50

# When It's Chilly Days and Frosty Nights

Merrimack, Palmer and Middle Streets

Christmas exercises and tree for

the members and friends of the Con-gregational Sunday school in the ves-

G. Pollard

It's time to don woolen or heavyweight undies. And as it looks as if the cold weather was with us to stay we suggest that you purchase from this list below. These articles also make very practical Christmas gifts.

Women's Union Suits \$1.00 and \$1.50—Fleeced and medium weight, Dutch neck, elbow sleeves, ankle length, or low neck, sleeveless, ankle length. These were \$2.00 and

Women's Vests 85¢—Fleece lined, cut high neck, long sleeves, sizes 36 and 38; regular \$1.25 value.

Women's Vests \$1.25 and \$1.50—Silk and wool, cut Dutch neck, elbow sleeves; regular \$1.50 and \$1.75 values.

Women's Vests and Tights \$1.75-Three-quarter wool; regular \$2.50 value.

Women's Silk Vests \$3.00—Colors are flesh, maize, orchid and light blue-each one embroidered. Children's Vests and Pants 38¢-Fleece lined, irregulars of

the 50c grade. Children's Vests and Pants  ${f 50}$  Children's Vests and Pants  ${\bf 50$ 

cut Dutch neck, elbow sleeves; regular 75c grade.

Children's Union Suits 60¢-Fleece lined, cut high neck, long sleeves; regular price 75c.

Children's Vests and Pants \$1.25, \$1.50 and \$1.75—All wool. Children's Union Suits \$2.50, \$2.75 and \$3.00—All wool. Boys' Union Suits \$1.00 and \$1.25—Heavy weight, fleeced, gray color.

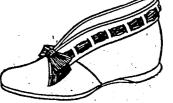
Boys' Shirts and Drawers 60¢ and 75¢-Gray, fleeced, extra Boys' Union Suits \$2.50—All wool, heavy weight.

Street Floor

	MISCELLANI	EOUS ITEMS
	ARM BANDS—Many kinds, in Christmas Boxes 50¢ to \$1.00  ARM BANDS—Many kinds, in Christmas Boxes	SHEEP-LINED COATS—For Men. \$7.00 to \$18.00 For Boys, 10 to 18 years. \$7.00 to \$12.50 PAJAMAS—Domet Flannel \$1.50 to \$2.50 Cotton, in plain colors or fancy stripes \$1.50 to \$2.50 Boys' Domet Flannel \$1.50 and \$2.00 Plain Cotton and Pepperell Twill \$1.60 to \$2.00 Plain Cotton and Pepperell Twill \$1.60 to \$2.00 BATH ROBES—Give Him a Bath Robe— Made of good weight blanket, trimmed with corded braid and girdle \$7.00 to \$12.00 HOUSE COATS—Give Him a' House Coat— All Wool, double faced goods, well made and trimmed \$9.00 to \$13.50 SHIRTS—Big Variety of Shirts— Percales and Madras \$9.00 to \$2.50 Satin Stripes \$2.50 to \$2.50 Silk Shirts
]	MACKINAWS—We have the Patrick-Duluth make—  Mackinaws for Men\$8.00 to \$19.00  Mackinaws for Boys\$6.00 to \$13.50	Silk Shirts       \$6.00 to \$7.50         UNDERWEAR—Union Suits—       Union Suits for Men.       \$1.50 to \$4.00         Union Suits for Boys.       85¢ to \$1.65

### Holiday Footwear for Every Member of the Family WE HAVE A BIG LINE DANIEL GREEN "COMFY" SLIPPERS FOR MEN, WOMEN OF THE GENUINE

SLIPPERS FOR MEN-Felt "Comfy," many styles \$2.00 to \$2.85 Felt Slippers, other makes \$1.25 to \$2.00 Everett "Comfy," leather sole......\$2.75 Leather Moceasins ...... \$2.50 to \$4.25 Leather Slippers ........\$1.50 to \$3.50 High Buckle Arctics for Men and Boys High Rubber Boots for Men and Boys



SLIPPERS FOR WOMEN-Felt "Comfy" \$2.00 to \$2.75 Felt Slippers, other makes ... \$1.00 to \$2.00 Leather Moccasins ..... \$2.50 to \$3.50 High Buckle Arctics for Women and Girls

Rubber Boots for Girls and Children High Cut Leather Skating Boots for Boys and Girls

RELIABLE CLOTHIER

greatly interested in its work.

Mr. Wilkins was well liked both

from Trinity chapel.

News Items.

Year to all!

LUNENBURG

Merry Christmas and Happy New

"Christmas comes but once a year,

by the members of the Sunday school

a mystery box which created inden-

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evenings at eleven o'clock. Whenever a reasonable number of people re-ouest a later car either Sunday night or week night, the car will be run. New Advertisements

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#### WESTFORD

A merry Christmas and a happy new year to the readers of this col-

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence E. Hildreth Mr. and Mrs. Carence L. Hinder, and their two little people are spending the holidays with Mrs. Hildreth's old, took an active interest in startion people in Rutherford, N. J., exhome people in Rutherford, N. J pecting to be gone for about two

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Edward Berndt at the Lowell General hospital on Thursday of last week. The baby has been named Edward Berndt, Jr. Mrs. Berndt was formerly Miss Pauline Dole, of this

new year. This Saturday is the last chance

for any having bills against the town. They should be presented to the town accountant by this date. All bills that are not paid before December 31 will have to be held and acted

Among the young people at home from their schools for the holiday vacation are John G. Fletcher, from Phillips academy, Exeter, N. H.; Forrost White, from Chauncey Hall
school; Fisher Buckshorn, from Procfor academy, Andover, N. H., and
Robert Abbot, from his school in
Boston. Miss Marjorie Seavey, from
Swampscott; Miss Maude Robinson Swampscott: Miss Maude Robinson from Washington, D. C.; Miss Jennie Ferguson, from Springfield; Lillian Sutherland, from Tewksbury, are among the teachers at home for the

After over three weeks of their absence it was very welcome to the residents of this village to have elec-Residents have especial cause for McGregor, of Westford Corner,

be in charge of the industrial and social committee, Mrs. William E. Anderson, chairman. Rev. S. F. Good heart, of Shirley, who has been identified with the Industrial school in Chelmsford. A good sum of money

home in Lowell on Wednesday after ments. ty-six years. Mr. Barnes will be remembered as superintendent of the town farm for five years, where he preceded Mr. Ripley. Mr. Barnes was a genial and capable man and right liked in the community during well liked in the community during: his residence here. He is survived railway have decided to use the characteristic by his wife and a son, Percy Barnes, man system on their line.

Funeral services were held at his.

The electric light force have here. of this village, was one of the bearers.

Mrs. John K. Felch gave a very pleasant birthday party for her son Howard recently. It was his four-teenth anniversary and there were fourteen friends and playmates ares. He was the recipient of various town hall. gifts. Refreshments were served at which a birthday cake with the navy, has received his discharge

Westford post, A. L., held its regular meeting at its headquarters on Decatur home for the Christinas holi-Boston road on Monday evening. It days from her school in New being the last meeting of the year Rochelle, N. Y. Dr. Harry R. Coburn. com.; Lowell, at the advanced age of eighty. Costello, Dr. Fabyan R. Pack-three years, was the father of Mrs Joseph Costello, Dr. Fabyan R. Pack-three years, was the father of Mrs ard, vice com.: Alexander A. Camer-Charles G. Sarkent, of Granteville on, adjt.; Arthur G. Hildreth, fin. of.; He had been in business in Lowell Frank C. Johnson. Edward T. Han-for over half a century. ley, George Brullard, ex. com. The The Conant-Houghton & Co. Line, Rome of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Employees' association are to have a Churles E. Bradford, for a two-weeks' vote of thanks for two years of ef- social dance in town half. Littleton, vacation. ficient service. Plans for a costume: party for February 22 were formulated and a committee of Frank C. ell's orchestra of Marlhoro Johnson, Harold W. Hildreth and Ed- Graniteville, ward T. Hanley were appointed to have charge of all details.

the church, seventeen on profession afternoon, when a fine program was an overhanging limb on the road lead-of faith and nine by letter. The stead of 10.45. Rev. E. Ambrose bresent.

At nessist Rev. John H. Blair, the paster, were held in St. Catherine's church Christmas tree and the usual Christin the services. There will be special on Thursday evening at seven o'clock mas exercises were held, the meeting music by the choir under the direction of Mrs. Norah Colburn, assisted very fine program of music and readmembers. The following program by Miss Mildred Precious, Violinst, links was given and was much enjoyed was given Songs by six girs; recreating and Miss Elinor Colburn, organist. Through the generosity of the Abition, Caroline Farmer, recitation, but Worsted Co., who donated a sub-Violet Pomeroy, readings, Mrs. Bossle its meeting at seven o'clock, William stantial check to the Christmas free A. Buxton, recitation, Ada Carson, C. Roudenbush, leader. All are infund, each child was the recipient of Following the program each child vited to be present as the regular some pretty gift.

evening service will be omitted. the Unitarian church on Sunday af- Methodist church will be held in the playing sames, ternoon at four o'clock. Rev. Frank church on this Saturday evening at B. Crandall will preach and there will be special music by soloists from Ayer. A Christmas party for the Bad Trolley Service. Sunday school will be held at this The one-man car s church on Saturday afternoon at four ing tried out on the Lowell and o'clock. Games, supper and Christ-Fitchburg street railway does not ap-

out the fire department on Wednes-day evening about nine o'clock at the home of William R. Carver. All connome of William R. Carver. All con-cerned were grateful when it was subdued, for it was when a gale of wind was blowing and very cold. An-other cause for gratitude was that it

was discovered early in the night.

Harry L. Nesmith and men are hard at work makestart at the hard task of out branches from the great of disabled trees. The barrearlier in the week made planan amount of debris there we will take a long time of both and combined effort for our to resume anything of its usua appearance.

About Town.

The Boston Evening Transcript of Saturday has a fine picture of Mrs. Henry W. Hildreth (Harriet Sargent) of Winchester. The picture appears on the page containing the news of the Women's clubs. Mrs. Hildreth is president of the Fortnightly club of Winchester, which celebrated on De-cember 19 its fortieth anniversary. This club was organized when there were only two important clubs for women in Boston. Mrs. Judith Winship of 600 and is one of the important clubs of the state. We are pleased that one of our own academy graduates is the capable president.

We have heard that our efficient fish and game warden, Joe Wail, has stocked some of our brooks with stocked some of our brooks with formerly Miss Pauline Dole, of this village.

Charles W. Robinson, who was taken acutely ill some days ago and removed to the Lowell General hospital for N-ray examination and possible operation, is reported as resting much more comfortably and an operation averted.

Schools closed Friday afternoon for the Christmas vacation and will reopen on Tuesday, the days after our more control of the Christmas vacation and will reopen on Tuesday, the days after our more control of the Christmas vacation and will reopen on Tuesday, the days after our fishers of the course of t young pheasants which he is going to hand over to those who will promise to take good care of during the winter and then liberate them in the spring. We should be glad to see many beautiful pheasants in our town

31 will have to be held and acted points of the compass so it is said north, east, west, south. Clever, isn't it? We have all the points of the compass, but with our telephones all out of commission still we are

Hon. H. E. Fletcher has been ill the past week at his home. The Methodist church in

Chelmsford is practically finished, and a fine piece of work it is. It is very attractive on the outside with its white coat of paint. The original church was dedicated on January 10, residents of this village to have electric light service restored. Different locations got their lights on Monday. Tuesday and Wednesday. The stores, library and especially the postoffice people at their busiest season of the year found them especially welcome. Residents have especial cause for McGregor of Westford Corner have 1887, and there is some talk of dedi-Residents have especial cause for gratitude that there was no water most generously contributed the new most generously contributed the new bell. We shall be glad when once station being restored in time to prevent that.

McGregor, of westiora corner, most generously contributed the new bell. We shall be glad when once the village bell peals out its invitation to church service. It is The next meeting of the Tadmuck hoped that the bell will be ready so club comes on Tuesday afternoon, that the Christmas chimes can be December 27, at Library hall and will heard Christmas morning.

Shirley, will be the speaker of the was contributed and many kitchen afternoon. Harvey W. Barnes died at his Mrs. Frank Edwards served refresh-

Theodore Pollack, who enlisted

fourteen candles had a place of and with his family is at his father's home. We are glad to have Miss Luanna

election of officers were in order for. Jacob R. Smith, who dod on Tues-the ensuing year, resulting as folday at his home, we have street,

The Conant-Houghton & Co. lr. social dance in town hall. Littleton, vacation, Friday evening, December 20, New- Mrs. 1

The Abbot Worsted soccer football have charge of all details.

Harry Whitney, police officer, has purchased a new Dodge automobile.

The Herbert Mills family, who have lived at Minot's Corner for some time, have recently moved to Lowell.

The children's Christmas festivities at the Congregational church are arranged for Saturday evening. The children are invited to be present at five o'clock. Supper will be served. children are invited to be present at five o'clock. Supper will be served at 5.30 and entertainment and Christmas tree will be later. While these plans are especially for the children other friends will be welcome.

On Sunday morning there will be special Christmas services at the Congregational church. Twenty-six new members will be received into the church, seventeen on profession afternoon, when a fine program was an overhanging line on the road lead-interpretation.

of North Chelmsford, will. The usual Christmas tree exercises on Tuesday evening there was a Miss Mildred Precious, violinist, lines was given and was much enjoyed was given. Songs by six girls; recita-

A Christmas service will be held at for the Sunday school children of the mainder of the evening was spent in seven o'clock.

The one-man car system now bepear to meet with popular favor with

A threatening chimney fire called out the fire department on Wednesshay evening about nine o'clock at the name of William R. Carver. All conserved were grateful when it was subdued, for it was when a gale of wind was blowing and very cold. Another cause for gratitude was that it was discovered early in the inight.

Harry L. Nesmith and the force of the New Market of North Chelmsford, then to Brookstate was the son of James and Letitia (Lowrey) Wilkins. He was born in Moncton, N. B. He day season, the cars were away off on was first married to Miss Margie Bruce, of Charlottetown, N. B., who died. He then married Miss Minnie to looks from the sidelines as though it k. Bruce, of Somerville, who survives him. Mr. Wilkins came to the United States about thirty-two years ago, living for a short time in Salem, and keep things in order from Ayer and Letitia (Lowrey) Wilkins. He was born in Moncton, N. B. He was born in Moncto force of and keep things in order from Ayer ing for a short time in Salem, and to North Chelmsford, then to Brooks later moving to Somerville. He came side, back to North Chelmsford and to Shirley in 1900 and since that time then to Ayer again. Suppose some has made his house here, one starts a rough house or is disithen to Ayer again. Suppose some has made his home here.

one starts a rough house or is distorderly in the rear end of the ear to carrying on his farm, Mr. Wilkins will much from inflammatory cheumaths while in the woods down along the line? The driver has to look straight union Tea Company, covering Ayer, and and attend to his business. If anything happens inside the ear who is responsible?

We have had good service on this coming to Shirle became a member of Fredonian loose. He was also a look of Fredonian loose.

line in the past with the assistance of Fredonian loace. He was also a

#### SHIRLEY

News Items.

Nows has been received of the death of Mrs. Louisa Livermore's sister. Mrs. Isabella White, who died in Portland. Oregon, December 10. Shirley from the will remember her as a guest in Mrs. Livermore's home.

Mrs. Livermore's home.

The description of the death of the death of this town. He also leaves a brother, the how withing of Wometon N. H. and Portla:

Mrs. Carnsworth, of Malden, the nurse who has been caring for William Brown, is now with Mrs. Susan Weare, who is improving slowly, being able to sit up a short time.

Nelson W Wamboldt, Albert J. Prayers were held at his late home Marston, Alfred Small, Ralph M. Small and Frederick H. Fowler attended the entertainment given by ing, of Groton School officiating the

burial. There were many floral trib-utes, among them being floral pieces Tuesday morning.

Dr. J. Walter Desmond has a new Ford coupe.

Mrs. Crandall, of Fitchburg, is assisting at the home of William Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Jeremiah O'Neil are entertaining Mr. and Mrs. James Mc-Millan and two sons, of Lowell, and Mr. and Mrs. Nubert Sanderson and daughter, of Ayer, for the Christmas

Mrs. Florence Bodah received a box of mistletoe this week from her hrother, Harry Bangs, in Deland, cantata in the Congregational church Florida.

Mrs. Bertha Pevear and daughter and others. On Monday evening, De-Ruth, of Swampscott, are spending the Christmas and new year holidays with program by the little folks in the Congregational vestry. Conant.

Norman Farmer left Boston for Daytona, Fla., last Saturday, where he is assist his cousin, Kendall W. per, which was attended by a large Rockwood, who is superintendent on number. An excellent supper was a large dairy farm.

Mrs. Charles Dyke left for Boston the supper an entertainment was givlast Saturday to meet her daughter, en by twenty young people as follows: Mrs. W. H. Miner, who came from Frederick Peabody, Marion Gilchrest, Greenwood, R. I., and they with Mrs. Robert Hagar, Donald Hagar, Edward L. C. Perkins, went to the boat with Weston, Richard Ellis, Rodney Brown, Norman Farmer, he having sailed on the City of Savannah at six o'clock. Herbert Peabody, Misses Gladys and Doris Peabody, Evelyn Cox, Margaret

T. J. E. Pulling, of Groton School, conducted the service at Trinity chapel last Sunday afternoon. There was special Christmas music by choir boys from Groton School. At 3.15 on Sunday afternoon Rev. Endicott Peabody, of Groton School, will preach.

Miss Louise E. Thompson, teacher of the Center primary school, controlled the services here this week, having resigned in order to undergo an operation. F. C. Johnson, superintendent of schools, has been unable to obtain before March first a suit to obtain the force of the Center primary school, constitution of the content of the first and the first to obtain before March first a suitable teacher from Lowell Normal fun and was soon sold out. school, which supplies the teachers for this position to take her place, and Mrs. Eleanor H. Holden will substitute the supplies the teachers for this position to take her place, and Mrs. Eleanor H. Holden will substitute the supplies the teachers of the Woman's club met in the chiqued with Mrs. Walter H. Titcomb. Miss ask week Friday afternoon and was lake Howard will read "A history of attended by forty-tipe ladies, who is, the Benevolent society of the First

Misses Sarah and Anna Paige, lave bought a home in Lowell and taken up their residence there. Mr. Page continues in the employ of H. E. Fletcher Co.

The Lowell and Fitchburg strailway have decided to use the one man system on their line.

The electric light force have been working from Brookside up on the Lowell road so that the lights will be trended on soon.

The continues in the employ of H. E. The annual Christmas tree for the shinday school classes at Trinity chapel was held in the town hall on Monday evening. The following program as given: Song, quartet from Groton School; stories, T. J. E. Pulling: songs, quartet from Groton Brookside up on the Lowell road so that the lights will be trended by forty-five kidles, who list attended by forty-five kid and cake were served.

Miss Jones, of Nashua, is spending few days with Mr. and Mrs Elmer L Wikins in Woodsville

E. Wilkins in Woodsville.

Mrs. Makel Grayes returned home

Monday from Springfield, where she has been spending a week at the ome of Mr and Mrs. Clarence Clark.

At the meeting of Shirley Grange ome pretty gift.

present was presented with a bag of
The usual Christmas tree exercises candy and an orange, and the re-

# Obituary.

William Wilkins, one of the town's respected citizens, passed away on last Saturday morning at his home in Woodsville after an Illness of several months, due to heart disease.

Mr. Wilkins, who was 61 years and

News Items. The regular missionary meeting of the Baptist society was held with Mrs. E. N. Robinson on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Clyde Crane came home last

LITTLETON

The Conant-Houghton & Co. Inc., Packages of Cigarettes of courteous and efficient conductors, and it seems too bad that this system could not be continued.

of Fredoman loade. He was also a member of Caleb Butler lodge, A. F. Employees' association are to have and A. M., of Ayer. He was a regular attendant at Tributy chapel and was office or continued. ell's orchestra of Marlboro.

Mrs. H. P. Bartlett, of Waltham has been visiting her niece, Mrs. H by his business acquaintances in the bors. Always gonial and pleasant in.

F. Works. Great road.

Mrs. Holbrook arri

Mrs. Holbrook arrived home this week from Baltimore, where she has spent a few months with her son and family, and was present to welcome the new baby recently born in Balti-Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Whitcomb go

to Worcester this Saturday to spend Christmas with the H. R. Stewarts, and will go from there to E. P. Carr's in Somerville for another Christmas celebration. There will be a Christmas tree

the Daptist vestry with exercises from two to four o'clock this Saturday af-Everybody is invited. Miss Katherine Kimball of Brock

ton, is at home for the holiday season. The Merry Go Round club will meet on January 5 with Mrs. George

### Unitarian Notes.

The annual Christmas party will be held this Saturday afternoon at 2.30 in the vestry.

The fortieth annual holiday dance under the auspices of the Back Log club will be held this Saturday evenfrom Mr. Wilkins' two lodges and ing in the town hall.

The public is cordially invited to attend the Christmas candle light service in the Unitarian church on Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock. A fine program will be rendered by a chorus from all the churches in town assisted by Miss Florence Hunt, so-prano; William Dodds, tenor; Miss Katherine Kimball, violinist; Miss Laurice Flagg, 'cellist; Warren Hart-well, cornetist, and Mrs. Cora Hager, soprano. A Christmas offering will bet taken. Mrs. Frank B. Priest, the accomplished reader, will read a Christmas story. Those attending will please be in their seats at 7.25. as the doors will have to be closed At the Methodist chapel on Thurs- | during the opening carols and pro cessional.

The annual business meeting of the church will be held on Thursday evening. December 29. Reports will be submitted by the officers, standing number. An excellent supper was served and liberally patronized. After committees, allied societies and min Officers and committees for the year 1922 will be elected.

Members of the local chapter of the Laymen's league visited every family in the parish last Sunday af-ternoon and received everywhere a Cox, Helen Percy, Ruth Hagar and Marian Ellis, who took the part of a welcome. This was our annual every member canvass.

Through the efforts of Mrs. Curtis brew the church is now the proud possessor of four beautiful vases are all very grateful to Mrs. Drew.

The vestry, in its new coat of paint, tooks very attractive. The Woman's looks very attractive. The Woman's Alliance and Back Log club are planning to make great improvements in the social rooms next month.

The local chapter of U. L. L. hold a well attended meeting last Sunday evening.

The Woman's Alliance will hold its next meeting on Friday, January 6, with Mrs. Walter H. Titcomb. Miss

Lowell road so that the lights will recitations, Violet Manstelow, Violet be turned on soon.

Neighbors' night at the Grange was postponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "ne lilizabeth Comstock, Marvis Compostponed again on account of "n illizabeth Comstock, Marvis Comstock, Sange Poercel applause, Stock; songs, quartet from Groton well-deserved applause.

School, Santa Claus then appeared A haby daughter, Grace E, came on the scene and distributed candy to the home of Mr. and Mrs. William and gifts to the children. Games were if, Rolfe on Sanday afternoon, weightights to the children of the scene and complete the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Galsworthy: Towns of New England and Gretschments of ice creaming seven points. land: tradition. Harold L. Harrington, a recent About Town, Halliday; Under the graduate of Amherst Agricultural col- | Maples | Burroughs; Vera Arnim; and cake were served.

Robert H. J. Holden has purchased graduate of Amherst Agricultural col- Maples. Harroughs: Vera, Armin; through Yates' Garage, Ayer, the lege, has secured a position as teacher. Wings of Time, Hepburn; Working Chandler chummy roadster owned by in the horticultural department of the Frank C. Fletcher, of Ayer.

Frank C. Fletcher, of Ayer.

Harroug L. Harrington, a secure. About Town, Hainday; Under the Marking Wings of Time, Hepburn; Working North from Patagonia, Frank; Youth Agricultural college connected with fruimpant, Gibbs, Javenile, Book of Connected with Frank C. Fletcher, of Ayer. The Center schools closed on Friday, 160th the University of Georgia at Athens, Birds for young people. Mathews: day for the Christmas vacation and will leave town next week Bouncing Bet, Gray; Breezes, Morse; to enter upon his new duties with Caleb Cottontail Cade Committee. the new year. His many friends will riverman, Kelland; Driftwood, Spears; be glid to hear of progress and suc-Highacres, Abbott; Jemima Puddle-Wilkins in Woodsville. (cess in his new field of labor. Duck, Potter; Little Girl in Blue-Miss Carrie G. Bradford is at the In response to the request of the lives in the woods until she learns to ome of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. selectmen for restoration of car ser- say please. Gates: Little Man With vice evenings, Supt. Sargent has pulse Cone Shoe, Bailey; Metipone's Hostage lished the following schedule: On and Barbeur; Puritan Twins, Perkins lished the following schedule: On and Barbour; after Monday December 9 a car will Operter-back Bates, Barbour, Barr run to Lunenburg, leaving Depot gody Andy stories, Gruelle, Star Chil-square at 9.20 Monday, Tuesday, drn. Johnson; Strange Adventures of Wednesday, Thursday and Friday a Poblide, Hawksworth; Tom of the exeming and at 10.30 Saturday even. Ruders Hishop.

You are hereby required on or before January 1, 1922, to destroy the gypsy and brown fall moths on your benderty in this town.

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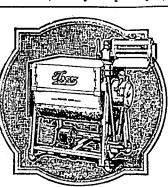
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Notice to Property Owners

property in this town. This notification is in accordance with Chapter 132 of the General Laws

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BOARD OF SELECTMEN etc. A few trees well cared for are more valuable to the property owner and the community than a large numper of neglected trees.

The nests of the brown tail moth

should be cut from the trees, carefully collected and burned in a stove or furnace. Full instructions as to best methods of work against the moths may be obtained from the Local Superintendent, J. E. Keegan, or from the State Forester, State House, Boston.

Work done by contractors should e inspected and approved by the Local Superintendent before payment for the same is made. JOHN D. CARNEY, WALDO W. SPRAGUE, ELWIN H. LONGLEY,

Selectmen. Ayer, Mass. December 6, 1921.

(Chapter 132 of the General Laws) An Act to Provide for Suppressing the

#### HARVARD

News Items.

At the Unitarian church special attention will as usual be paid to the music on Sunday. At the morning service a mixed quartet will sing, while at the vespers at seven o'clock there will be a choir of ten voices. Besides the usual carols sung in the room back of the organ the service will include anthems by Birch, Burdett and Tours, Herbert A. Thayer

will include anthems by Birch, Burdett and Tours, Herbert A. Thayer director. Charles N. Pollard will act as organist.

At the white church on Sunday Rev. A. W. Dycer will conduct the service. The Men's club are to attend this service in a body. There will be special musical selections in keeping with the Christmas time. On last Sunday the Congregational Men's Club held their regular meeting and after supper listened to a splendid talk by Mr. Nichols, of Fitchburg, of the Bankers' association. He gave some first-hand information on the different kinds of banking institutions in his interesting way.

The ladies of the white church are feeling very much pleased over the success of their annual Christmas sale, held at the town hall on last Friday afternoon. The Sargent toy department was a special feature.

Degree work was the program for the Christmas time of the Corresponding secretary, Mrs. Carolyn Frost, on or before the second Monday in each month.

Degree work was the program for the meeting of the Grange on Tues-day evening. The supper, of the usual high order, was in charge of usual high order, was in enarge of Miss Emeline Knight. Ayer Grange visited to hte number of thirty-five, and their trim degree team of ladies did excellent work. At the next meeting the installation of officers will take place.

Ernest Scott received a cable on Tuesday from Liverpool, England, telling of the safe arrival of Mrs. Scott and daughter there. Miss Louise Bigelow, with her niece

household, arrived last week Thursday at Ingleside to take up permanent residence here. Henry McNiff is at the Clinton hos-

pital, recovering from an operation for appendicitis.

Warren Farnsworth, baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Farnsworth, received a kick from a cow on Tuesday, cutting his scalp badly, requiring a number of stitches to be taken. That he was not very seriously injured seems almost a miracle.

A. Gordon McCleery left Boston on Sunday night en route to Greys Mills, N. B., where he will spend the win-Sunday night en route to Greys Mills.

N. B., where he will spend the winter logging with his brothers up the St. John river.

The Christmas trees and children's

concerts of the churches will take place this Friday evening. Schools closed on Friday for a two-

Lieut, and Mrs. J. E. Arnold, with baby Barbara, are en route from Honolulu to Cavite, Philippine Islands, where they will probably stay three months. They expect to visit China and Japan during their thirty-days' leave of absence given the sub crews while at Cavite.

L. K. Savage is taking down and bringing home a Y. M. C. A. building at Corn. Proceedings of Corn. ing at Camp Devens.

The wedding of Dorothy, daughter of Dr. and Mrs. Austin Peters, took place at their home, Lane End, last Saturday afternoon at one o'clock. The house was decorated with ropes ly as her sister, Mrs. H. P. Putnam, at her wedding a year ago. The latter, as matron of honor, wore a jade ter, as matron of honor, wore a jade green gown of panne velvet and carried Ophelia roses. The bride wore her mother's wedding gown and carried Marchant, Lorna Deane and Olin lilies of the valley, the fresh orange Greeky are among the victims.

1 ne interruption in the electric service during the early part of Sunday evening, which rather interfered with the church services, was caused by the unavoidable change from the New England Dauge library to the part of the part mother's wedding gown and carried lilies of the valley, the fresh orange blossoms in her veil having come from California. The groom, Eben F. Corey, had for his best man John K. Wright, of New York. As Mr. Corey has a farm in the Oak hill section of this town their many friends are glad that they will not lose them from the community. Rev. George Kent officiated. About seventy-five guests were present, and music was furnished by a trio in the sun room. A buffet lunch was served.

Marchant, Lorna Deane and Olin Greeley are among the victims.

Mrs. N. S. Wood has been quite seriously in with the prevailing epidemic of throat trouble, the little son, John being first ill with the same trouble. H. J. P. Hampton, who has been at his home in town for a few days, started on Tuesday for New York. He was accompanied by Mrs. Hampton and the three children, who will continue their fourney to Asheville, N. C. for a sojourn for the winter.

Harvard is to be complimented, in as much as this town contributed to the Red Cross within fifteen dollars as much as in 1920, and in view of the conditions in general throughout the farm between commences at the conditions in general throughout the conditions of the Middle-sex county bureau held jointly with the formula throughout the formula throughout the formula throughout the conditions of the Middle-sex county bureau held jointly with the Farm bureau, occurs at Ford hall, the formula throughout throughout throughout throughout the formula throughout through the country, this is remarkable. Of ten o'clock, the surrounding towns of the Clinton served by Sieler, caterer, at noon. Im-district Harvard is the leader with mediately after dinner, in place of 197 annual members and \$29.50 contributed in addition, for which the collector thanks you

The Unitarian Ladies will hold a social in the town hall on Friday, December 30. Suppers at six and seven o'clock; entertainment at eight. Mrs. A. W. Bryant, chairman of supper committee; Mrs. H. H. Gale, chairman of entertainment commit-

The Conant-Houghton & Co. Inc., Employees' association are to have a social dance in town hall, Littleton, Friday evening, December 30. New-

ell's orchestra of Marlhoro, Prof. R. A. Van Meter, extension pecialist in fruit, from Massachusetts Agricultural college, will visit Harvard on Wednesday, December for the purpose of advising the fruitrepairing of the trees injured in the shopping and a slit recent ice storm. At ten o'clock he sister, Miss Merrill, will give a demonstration of the work at the orchard of H A Thayer interested are urged to be present at this time. In the afternoon visits will be made to individual orchards to help the growers in their individual problems on the trees. If you wish Prof. Van Meter to visit your orchard notify A. N. Calkins, and his service will be entirely free. He will be available for any fruit problems at any time and will visit Harvard during the spring and summer at regular

times. Make your wants known. Last Tuesday evening the Grange the third and fourth degrees were it. The average contribution was conferred on a class of nine candidates. The ladies' degree staff of dience being children. For a beginning this is satisfactory to the man-Aver Grange conferred the third de-gree and the regular officers of Har-yard Grange the fourth. The work was of very high order, that by the regular officers being said by many to be the best ever done by Harvard Grange. After the degree work all adjourned to the lower hall, where a fine supper was served to 100 members and guests under the direc-tion of Miss Emplies Knight, chairtion of Miss Emeline Knight, chairman, with an able corps of assistants. All report a splendid time and hope for more in the future. P.

Next Saturday at town hall the feature picture is one of Richard Kiplen's good clean western plays with three children left town on Tuesday an all-star east, "Battling kid." Full for New York. After a short star of cowboy's fast riding and some gunawake. The battling kid is the story of a three-cornered fight for victory at the election for sheriff, and inciat the election for sheriff, and inci-dentally a pleasing love story is woven in among the exciting situations. Did this Friday, where they are teaching. you ever see a horse turn three com- for the holiday vacation.

plete somersaults while rolling down a steep hill? That is just one of the stunts. Come and see a lot of others that I have not room to tell you

The thimble party of the Woman's club on Monday was held at the home of Mrs. H. B. Royal. There was a

### LITTLETON

News Items.

Postmaster Kimball announces that the has received the new series of from eight to nine o'clock.

Treasury Savings Certificates which Mrs. John Fredericks have been adopted by the United States treasury department. They are issued in three units of \$25, \$100 and \$1000 maturity value. The first bears the portrait of Theodore Roose-

church will hold a food sale in the vestry on Thursday afternoon, December 29, from three to five o'clock.

The Imperial Instrumentalists of holidays. Boston will give a concert in the town all on December 27, under the auspices of the Littleton lyceum.

The Congregational church fair of Mrs. Arthur Blood and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Elliott from Gardner, are to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bartlett over Sunday and Boston will give a concert in the town hall on December 27, under the auspices of the Littleton lyceum.

Wednesday evening. December 14, the holiday following, was all that could be desired. Per-William Hutchinso fect winter weather and good traveling made it possible for a large at-tendance, and the public generously availed themselves of their opportu-Mr. and Mrs. Harry Atwood and children are guests at Henry Gale's for over the holidays. to realize approximately \$200. warded.

At a meeting held on Monday ing Rev. Chester A. Wheeler, of Syracuse, N. Y., and student in the Boston Schools closed on Friday for a two-weeks' vacation. Bromfield will university divinity school, was unaniclose for one week only.

Lieut. and Mrs. J. E. Arnold, with that the call will be accepted. Mr. Wheeler will occupy the pulpit on

Sunday. Miss Mary Kimball has a position as dietetian in the Addison hospital from his recent illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Coordinate in the Addison hospital from his recent illness.

#### there last Saturday. She will return home for the holiday. PEPPERELL

Norval Thompson from Lynn moored here on Sunday, accompanied by of laurel and Ophelia roses. The bride, as she came down the stairs on the arm of her father, looked as loveguests of Mrs. Rainsford and William Deware, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Copp and Mrs. Ham.

The annual meeting of the Middle-The morning session commences a ten o'clock, with "family dinner" shown the five-reel motion picture, "Spring Valley farm," specially prepared by the American Farm Bureau federation, and secured through the secretary of the New York Farm Bureau federation. This is highly recommended and will be a big feature

at the annual "get-together" meeting. Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Crockett and child have moved to Fitchburg, where Mr. Crockett recently took a position with the State Normal school

Ham, formerly occupied by the Crock- play in the opinion of many, ett family on Main street, has been taken by the new assistant station low, even for those who did not unagent, W. G. Adams, and wife, who derstand the language. Dr. Pickard 28, ter, N. H., next week.

Miss Ruth Wilson was in Boston growers regarding the pruning and Friday of last week for Christmas taken for the insane patient, and com-repairing of the trees injured in the shopping and a short visit with her plications follow. The dramatic ac-

Friends of Mrs. Alben Shattuck, who recently returned to town to reside, are pleased to note improvement, and that she is no rehere than at Winchendon. Her older laughter, Mrs. F. W. Oson, resples it Poplar Grove, Iii., near Chicago.

The series of motion pictures staged by the Farm Bureau is reported well supported, although collections have a Improvement is looked for as the proiect becomes better known series was shown in twenty-six cities and towns, and fully 6000 people saw ing's entertainment, which was a con-The average contribution was .

dience being children. For a beginning this is satisfactory to the manager of the series, Director Parke. Efforts are now being made to secure the film showing the ceremonies in connection with the Armistice day observance in Washington, D. C., at the burial of the unknown soldier. If secured this will be shown in the third series. Many of the nation's great men of the day, President Harding, Vice President Consider, General President Cooksides, General Pershing and others, appear in this

Mr. and Mrs. H. J. P. Hampton and previously, there Mrs. Hampton and the children go to Asheville, N. C., for the winter with Miss Louise,

Miss Lydia Sullivan and Mrs. F. W.

Leland Jacklin was given a surprise at the home of his sister, Mrs. E. R. ummings, the occasion being his six teenth birthday. Relatives and friends
of the family were invited and Raymond Lynch assisted Mrs. Cummings in the invitations to schoolmates and associates, so that about forty gathered to enjoy the evening at the home at the dance and everyone enjoy.

In B. Royal. There was a cred to enjoy the everying at the home four daughters came here to live in ed the hospitality of the hostess. Street. A signet ring and foundain lage. About two years ago Mrs. No
well wis oblight to use for the lage. pen were presented, making a pleasant surprise for the young man, and giving him something to remember young man, and his friends by. Games and music were enjoyed, and the fostess served ice cream and cake,

The sale of the Caristmas seals will continue up to New Year's, giving the children added time during their vacation to sell then

The gathering at the firemen's annual concert and dance at Prescott hall on Friday sening of last week was so largely supplemented by par-ties from the surrounding towns, as to make the crown a good-sized one. thes from the surrounding towns, as to make the crows a good-sized one. The music by Newell's orchestra was particularly enjoyed, the addition of a bass viol being noted. The grand march, a feature of all the occasions of this character, was not observed, as the custom has gone by, but in the opinion of many the dance loses an attractive feature, when an organization like the one in question is in charge. Ice cream and cake were sold at intermission. Many enjoyed the concert program from the balcony

Mrs. John Fredericks has her mother, Mrs. Mary Blood, from Brookline, N. H., with her at present, as the aged woman has been ill for some

bears the portrait of Theodore Roosevelt, the second the portrait of George Washington, and the third the portrait of Abraham Lincoln.

The C. E. section of the Parties R. of C. Collins oneshours of Mark. The C. E. society of the Paptist K. of C. Collins' orchestra of Marl-hurch will hold a food sale in the boro furnish music.

Charles F. Parker of the M. I. T. expected here at his home for the.

William Hutchinson of Andover

academy is spending his Christmas vacation at his home in town. Edward Harris has been fairly suc cessful in his trapping this fall and early winter, having to his account up to this time one mink, about

mink, thus far. William Bennett, in an older class of hunters, recently got William Bennett, in a fox with a fine pelt. We note that a salesroom of the usm of his hearers. He spoke of the Tyngsboro Electric Light Co. has remainly been opened in Shirley. John tors and nurses at the hospital, whe Logue, who was formerly at this of-tice, is in charge there.

Ray Willoughby has recently accepted a position as salesman for R. Hoe & Co., Boston, dealing in printing presses. He is nearly recovered

Mr. and Mrs. George Proctor of Nashua, N. H. and Charles Harris of Lowell are to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Harris over Christ-Mr. and Mrs. Ray Soule from West

Boylston and Miss Hazel Soule and a friend from Worcester are to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Soule, Hollis street. There is to be no meeting of Prescott Grange this week at the time of

the regular date, December 23, this having been postponed one week. The interruption in the electric ser-

England Power lines to the power plant of the Nashua River Paper Co., as there are trouble on the regular lines.

# P. H. S. Entertainment,

A very good house greeted the P. H. S. pupils on Monday evening of H. S. pupils on Monday evening at Prescott hall, when they gave their play and entertainment, and the audience were appreciative throughout the program. The opening number was

French play, "La Surprise about pledge owed. In the impersonations, Daniel To the Editor: Haggerty made an excellent Dr. Adolphe Pickard, a specialist on insanity: Maude Maxwell, as Suzanne, his wife, took her part in an easy manner, and Alice Winch, as Mme. Duval, her mother, was finely gowned and disguised for her part of the dignified dame. Philip Blood, as Isadore, the doctor's friend, was selfpossessed in trying situations, and Frances Supple, as Jeanne, the maid, created much favorable comment. She

impersonated the rather difficult part m a charming manner and her gesures, shrugs, and lengthy parts in dialogue, were completely assume The tenement in the house of Mr. making her the star actress in the

The plot was not so difficult to folderstand the language. Dr. Pickard are to move here from East Rochester, N. H., next week. Support the supporting a patient, is called away, and his friend, Monsieur Isadore, arriving unexpectedly, is mistion was well assumed by doctor's household, and the maid, Jeanne, made a great hit, in her manner of dealing with the sitnation. The corclusion of the comedy is cleverly brought about. The play lasted about a half hour and was most creditable to the young actors and the teacher acting as coach.

Miss Phillorick

Roger Stratton and Donald Gagnon Pa ssisted by giving programs and acting as ushers.

The first Miss Marion Gray, was well received preceding the second part of the eventest in spelling between the juniors and sophomores, the juniors giving challenge whch was accepted by the younger class of the sophomores, There were eleven on each side and

the close of about a half hour there were but five juniors standing when the last sophomore, Sarah Cotton, failed. The juniors were Alice Powers, Annie Pendergast, Betty Powers, Annie Pendergast, Betty Hutchinson, Maurice Cleveland and Edward Durant. The two sophomores standing the longest were Bertha Carr and Sarah Cotton. word which she had copied incorrectly when studying the lesson.

Death of Former Resident.

News of the death of Mrs. Helen B (Stack) Nowell was received on Friday morning last, bringing sadness to her many friends. Mrs. Nowell was but forty years of age, very active and her early death is to be deplored. She

On Saturday evening of last week the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stack. Her father survives her, also one sister, Mrs. Mary Ripley, of Natick, and one brother, Larry Stack, of

Following her marriage with Edward P. Nowell of Boston, the family Phone 531 resided for some years in Quincy, un-til in May, 1917, Mrs. Nowell and her well was obliged to undergo a serious operation which it was thought for awhile would prove fatal. With great recuperative powers she railied from frequent ill turns she has since suffered. Her courage and will power were remarkable and her wish to live was not so much for his to live. was not so much for herself as for her four daughters, Margaret, Charlotte Anna and Dorothy, who have the sympathy of all in their bereavement.

During the long siege of convalesnearer Boston and the hospital at Quincy, in order to benefit by their treatments. The family moved about two years

ago to Wollaston, where they were residing at the time of her death. The remains were brought to Pep-perell on Sunday for services at the opmunity church of which she had become a member. Rev. R. W. Draw-bridge officiated and his remarks were most comforting and helpful to the family. Many relatives and friends came with the hody by automobile cortage, among them being Mr. and Mrs. laberton Ripley and family from Natick and Mr. and Mrs. Harold Noweil and family from St. Albans, Vt. A large number of her former friends and associates in town also gathered

for the service.

The burial was made in the lot of Mr. Ripley in Walton cemetery, the bearers being Harry Hutchinson, Hale Jordan, Frederic H. Parker and William Deware.

Lecture on Labrador.

As was anticipated the lecture given by Dr. Wilfred Grenfell on last week Thursday evening at the Community church, dealing with his work at the Labrador mission, had a large and intensely interested audience. His talk was illustrated by slides specially prepared from photographs, showing the buildings at the mission, hospitals, schools and chapels, the people in their half-clad conditions, even in the frozen country, the great teams of dozs which are used for driving, as well as the teams of reinder. The well as the teams of reindeer. ictures of the dogs were very beauti-

dozen muskrats and a civet cat. Horace Shepardson has caught even a larger number of muskrats, but no mink, thus far. William Bennett in the Lalgada procedure receds and conditions of the Labrador people, particularly the children. So graphic were his descriptions that he roused the enthusiasm of his hearers. He spoke of the tors and nurses at the hospital, where they have to combat all sorts of tucular diseases, as well as among belpers in all branches. It is understood that any applying to him to help the cause along must come to him for little or no salary. Students

from medical colleges are there, and donations have been received from Yale, Harvard and Princeton. Everywhere the same spirit of earnest, Christian effort is manifest. In the of earnest, schools the children are taught in manual training, the arts of handcraft and weaving being the principal features. The people are largely fisher-men, and they are being helped to establish canning factories, and how to cure the fish for the market, and in these and many other ways to re-

of them humorous, but more of them athetic. His stories of the valuable edge dogs that are so intelligent.

At the close of the lecture one real At the case of the lecture one feet to shown of a northern, country the herge icebergs, the immense meeting of the Ladies' Aid society. program. The opening number was an instrumental duet by the Misses Esther Martin and Dorothy Cook.

The French play, "La Surprise about \$140, some of which was day evening." of which was day evening. pledged previous to the lecture.

It is time that steps were taken to Nonerate Percy England of Peppereil Community Church Notices. from the infamous and false charges asserted against him in a recent issue 10.30 with sermon by the pastor. of the local paper of whom complaints of a suspecting nature were conveyed to the commission of immigration by "well-known parties."

La woman into this country for illicit ourposes," however his passport states came alone, neither was he "com; nitted to jail" as stated,

ment of persons to another without unjust cause plainly indicate what a tion is possessed, combined with a during the hour of the regular mornhaving been illustrated by the "well- ous departments were read and offliknown parties" ought to restrain their

speaking of a person's faults, Pray don't forget your own, emember those with homes of g Should seldom throw a stone, we have nothing else to do But talk of those who sin, is better we commence at home And from that point begin

Then let us all when we begin
To slander friend or foe.
Think of the harm one word may do
To those we little know.
Remember curses sometimes like
Our chickens "roost at home";
Don't speak of others faults until
We have none of our own.

Referring to the item "Case placed on file" of December 10, all are doubtless assured of the type and character of the "three young men," especially of one who was the means of lifting his sister out of a position as teacher in South Carolina by a missive written according to the above.

Mr. England is back at work as chauffeur for the Pepperell Carl & Paper Co.

Methodist Church Notes.

Last Sunday evening at this church a special baptismal service was held at the evening session, four adults and one child receiving the rite of baptism by the pastor, Rev. H. P. Taylor. The singing by the years girls' choir, who entered in their vestments, singing for the processional the hymn, "Holy, holy, holy," was part unlarly noteworthy, the quartet rendering the selection, "Tho' your sins be as scarlet," with much expression, Miss Dorothy Greer very kindly filed

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Christmas

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Miss Aethra Winship, with the Misses Martin, Parker and Harris. Miss Gray's piano selection, as offertory, was finely rendered and much appreciated. Roscoe Reed played during the evening and gave a violin solo. "Two strings to a bow," which was much appreciated.

Next Sunday there will be a special Thristmas sermon and reception of nembers. The music, in charge of members. The music, in charge of Mrs. Marchant, will include a processional, "Glory to God, on high," also, a duet by Mrs. Marchant and Mrs. Copp. a Christmas anthem, "O little town of Bethlehem," and appropriate response. A Christmas offering will be taken at the morning service for the conference sustentation fund.

At seven o'clock there will be a Christmas concert by the Sunday school and choir, and all are requested to meet for rehearsal on this Saturday afternoon at 2.30 at the church

The decorations for Sunday will be in charge of Miss Gertrude Cherry and Mrs. Ruth Marchant, and there is to be a special Christmas back ground in scenic effect, which is nine twenty-seven feet, occupying the entire space behind the pulnit.

The Christmas tree will be held in the vestry on this Saturday evening at seven o'clock. Since the date seems were very interesting, particularly the one of the two dogs that were brought to Boston, and of some of the two dogs that were brought to Boston, and of some of their doings in the strange city. As tree will do so, even if they come to the seasons are so short there are the vestry later. There will be an enshowed the native women trying to children, with music and speaking, tribute gifts to everyone.

> The meetings of the week will be the races between scenes of the life of street, on Thursday afternoon.

Friday evennig will be Epworth

Morning service Sunday morning at decorations will be furnished and ar-

Church school Christmas service a noon. All are invited to remain. Friday, December 30, eight p. m. regular motion picture service program as follows: William Hart in "The

On December 18 the annual meet intempuous and revengeful disposi- ing of the church school was held cers chosen for the coming year: Mrs further condemning of one who has Addison Woodward and Dana O. Merrill, assistant superintendents; G. H bara Bancroft, secretary: Miss Amy Aldrich, assistant secretary; Miss Helen Pond, superintendent beginners and primary department; Mrs. Mary ginners and primary department; Miss Mary A. Wood, superintendent junior, intermediate, senior and young people's department: Mrs. W. F. Dennen Mrs. O. B. Olsen, superintendent home department; Miss Gertrude Carter, lirarian: Mrs. Mary Pond and Miss Anna Boynton, benevolent and missionary committee; Miss Mary Wood and Mrs. Addison Woodward, religand Albert Parker, Jr. collectors,

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F. M. ESTY, Register.

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To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex:

Respectfully libels and represents HILJA SUOMINEN of Newton in said County, that she was lawfully married to EMIL SUOMINEN now of New York, in the State of New York, at Quincy, County of Norfolk, Massachusetts, on the three-fiterwards your libellant and the said Emil Suominen lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Quincy, and Newton: that your libellant has all-ways been faithful to her marriage yows and obligations, but the said Emil Suominen lived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Quincy, and Newton: that your libellant has all-ways been faithful to her marriage yows and obligations, but the said Emil Suominen lived together as husband and wife in this commonwealth, to wit, at said Quincy, and Newton: that your libellant has all-ways been faithful to her marriage yows and obligations, but the said Emil Suominen being wholly regardiess of the same, at said Newton, has contracted kross and confirmed habits of intoxication caused by the voluntary and excessive use of Intoxicating liquor, oplum or other drugs.

That said libelle has subjected your libellant to cruel and abusive treatment.

Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony at the Annual Meeting of the Stock—

ment.
Wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bonds of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Emil Suominen.
Dated this tenth day of December A D. 1921.
HILJA SHOMINEN.

HILJA SUOMINEN.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Middlesex, ss.
Superior Court. Dec. 13, A. D. 1921. Superior Court, Dec. 13, A. D. 1921.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libeliant notify the libelice to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Monday of February next, by causing an attested copy of said libel and of the order thereon, to be published in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said libel and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libelice as set out in the libel, that he may then and there show cause, if any he have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

RALPH N. SMITH, Clerk. RALPH N. SMITH, Clerk. A true copy of the libel and of the order thereon. Attest, 3116

RALPH N. SMITH, Clerk.

the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of MICHAEL SHEEHAN late of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are requir-ed to exhibit the same; and all per-sons indebted to said estate are call-ed upon to make payment to AYER. MASS.

Fitchburg, Mass, Dec. 9, 1921. 3t16

RUTH G. O'CONNOR, Admx.

The Annual Meeting of the Stockholders of the Townsend National Bank will be held at their Banking Rooms on Tuesday, January 3, 1922, at ten o'clock A. M. to choose a Board of Directors for the ensuing year, and act upon any other business that may legally come before said meeting.

C. B. WILLARD, Townsend, Mass., December 5, 1921.

# NOTICE

The Annual Meeting of the Shareholders of the First National Bank of Ayer will be held at the Banking Rooms in Ayer, Mass., on Mouday, January 9, 1922, at 9.30 o'clock A. M. for the purpose of acting upon the following business:

To choose a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may come before the meeting. CHARLES A. NORMAND.

Ayer, Mass., December 5, 1921

lieve their own needs and destitution.
Dr. Grenfell related many incidents connected with his mission work, some

Insolent accusations and evil treat- whistle." Burton Holmes. Pathe

seen upright and truthful

not? The old as well as young ethans we may, for aucht we know Have fifty to their one

but forty years of age, very active and larly noteworthy, the quartet replet-ambitious for herself and children and her early death is to be deplored. She as scarlet," with much expression. formerly lived here as a girl and was Miss Dorothy Greer very kindly filled one.

All Advertisements Appear in All the Ten Papers' We Publish

Items of local interest are solicited and must always be accompanied by he name of the writer, not for publisation, but as a guarantee of good with, and will always be considered trictly confidential. Kindly mail items bon after the day of occurrence and a not wait unnecessarily.

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Subscribers wishing the postoffice address of the paper changed, must send us both the old and new address and also the name of the paper they receive.

Saturday, December 24, 1921

#### **GROTON**

News Items.

Special Christmas music will be given at the Unitarian church on Christ-mas Sunday at 10.30 in the morning and in the afternoon at four o'clock. The morning anthem will have a violin obligato played by Miss Margery Peaody. At four o'clock a cantata, for women's voices, entitled "Bethlehem," will be sung. The soloists are Mrs. C. B. Ames, Mrs. J. P. Mountain and Mrs. Susan P. Hill. The organ music will consist of Christmas themes by Otto Malling and Handel. The

public is cordially invited. The Christmas supper and entertainment, with tree, of the Unitarian church and Sunday school will be given on this Saturday evening. The supper will be first in the order of exercises, then a little play entitled "A Christmas strike," will be given by the children with songs, recitations and dances, to be followed by the Christmas tree with gifts. All are welcome, and a large attendance is hoped for and expected.

The music department of the Woman's club will meet on Thursday, December 29 with Miss Elizabeth E. Lowe, at 7.30 o'clock.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church will furnish the supper on this Saturday even-ing, for the Christmas party at six o'clock. The Christmas tree will follow, with games.

The following musical program has the following musical program has been planned for the services on December 25, at the Congregational church: anthem, "On Bethlehem's plain" (Spence); offertory, "Ave Maria from Thais," saxophone and violin; "O little town of Bethlehem." (Coment) ladles' double quarter with violantic planting mant) ladles' double quartet with violin obligato.

Miss Elizabeth Marsh, a former teacher in the Butler high school, was in town last week for the invitation dance of the senior class on Friday and remained over the week-end with Miss Catherine Crosbie.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Ebert have Wallingford, Conn., where they will spend Christmas.

Mrs. Allen E. Woods has recently been having electric lights installed in her home on Main street.

William Wilkins of Shirley, who passed away at his home this last Sat-urday, was well known here as the salesman of the Grand Union Tea Co. William F. Gleason has given up the position of janitor at the Congre-

Willowdale has taken his place.

The twenty-fourth annual concert and ball of the Groton Engine and Hose Co. will be held on Friday evening, January 13, with concert from eight to nine o'clock. Turkey supper on Thursday for a chimney fire in William A Lawrence's house which Dancing from nine till three o'clock.

Phineas M. Nutting, who for the past two years has lived at his son's, George L. Nutting's, passed away December 14, aged 80 years and 20 days. He leaves to mourn his loss two sons, George L., of this town and Lewis P. of Leominster.

Clearly the strenuous debutante feslivities that have been so delighting the some ninety young girls presented this winter, in no way has diminished the enthusiasm of Miss Mary Bancroft, one of the gayest of the group.

The decorations were green trees and boughs, with small red lights, giving to the fact that Albert R. Jenks, for an effect of genuine Christmas cheer.

The martons on this occasion were expects to be in town soon repairing Mrs. Frederic C. Cross and Mrs. C. L. the large trees at Fiveoks farm and Christinas events to end in a large house party up in Bethel, Me. All kinds of winter sports are to fill the days, and, of course, when evening comes there will be dancing. Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Bancroft and the value. Mrs. Hugh Bancroft and the younger children will be of the party and about twenty of the seasons' buds and Harvard juniors are planning. vard juniors are planning to go. A few of the number are Miss Elizabeth Wentworth, Miss Dorothy Brewer. Miss Amy Lee, Winthrop Charlie Brewer, Sherwin Badger and Edward Lund, all classmates. party will leave Boston the day after Christmas and stay until after New

Among the appraisals of estates filed here December 16 was one of Albert Perkins Dix, who was born in Groton December 12, 1839, and died in this city July 8, 1920. He was head in this city July 8, 1920. He was head of at seven o'clock.

of the brokerage firm of Dix & Phyfe of New York. His widow, Emily F.

Dix, of 822 Madison avenue, N. Y.

and his daughter, Midred D. Leeson Church of the Advent, Boston, from the division of Church of the Advent, Boston, from publications, U. S. department of Church of the Advent, Boston, from publications, U. S. department of publications, U. S. department of publications, William P. Wharton, ton, each have the income for life from \$259,393. Among the securities Among the securities are \$100,000 in Liberty bonds; Pennsylvania railroad common, \$86,625; U. S. Trust Co., common, \$81,500; Fifth Avenue bank, common, \$120,-

George Kruse, Jr., of Williamsville has bought the residence of Mrs. E. cept the office. The first January M. Needham on Main street. Circus meeting will be omitted, and there lars have been issued aunouncing that will be a joint installation of officers the firm of Shattuck & Kruse will with those of the C. S. Clark post, open a sale of holiday and every-day [G. A. R., on Wednesday afternoon, open a sale of holiday and every-day merchandise in their store at the junction of Main and Hollis streets. Mr. Kruse's wife was formerly Miss.

The Christmen of the first the installing officer. Jessie Shattuck, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ansel Shattuck.

The Laymen's League, organized at the Unitarian church, has the following officers: C. Z. Southard, pres. Phillips Barry, vice pres.; Carl Law-rence, sec. and treas. These officers are members of the executive committee ex officio, and Willard Tolles and John Gilson are also members of this committee. The league will meet on the second Sunday evening of each month from January to April, at 7.30. The next meeting will be on the evening of January 8.

Invitations are out for the supper and entertainment to be given by the Laymen's League, to which the members of the Woman's Alliance are invited. The supper will be at 6.30 on evening of Wednesday, January 11. The entertainment will follow the

about twenty-five persons from this afternoon, listening to readings and towns, attended the illustrated lecture given by Dr. Wilfred Grenfell and the which refreshments and victorial music, after which refreshments. community church in Pepperell on last week Thursday evening. The church was well filled with an appreciative audience, who greatly enjoyed

listening to Dr. Grenfell's account of his work in Labrador for many years. Lantern slides and moving pictures were used to illustrate the work done which added to the interest of the lecture.

On December 15 the Home and For-eign Missionary society of the Baptist church field a meeting, whose subject was the Mather's colored school at Beaufort, S. C. After the attention's sewing was done, tea was set ad.

The Woman's Home and Foreign Missionary society of the Compega-tional church met on the attention of December 15 at the home of Mrs. George McKee. Miss Kyle, who was present, proved an interesting speak to

The Laurence W. Gay post, A. gave a very successful minstrel show on December 17. The first half of the entertainment was so well received, with many encores, that it was continued well into the evening, and the local jokes and hits created, much amusement.

At the morning service at the Con at the morning service at the Congregational church, the pastor spoke on "The secret of true greatness." The musical selection was the anthem, "Sweet is thy mercy," sung by the choir. In the evening the pastor's topic was "God a Arms conference." "God speaks through the Arms conference." The musical selections included the anthem, "God is a spirit," by the choir, and "The inner voice." the solo part sung by Miss Ruth Gleason, with a quartet singing the chorus.

Mrs. W. J. Putnam, who had an operation performed upon her eyes last week by Dr. Nutter in Nashua, is still at St. Joseph's hospital, and the reports concerning her so far are favorable. Thomas Park, son of Mr. and Mrs

Lawrence Park, was operated upon for appendicitis at Dr. A. G. Kilbourn's hospital on Wednesday. Miss Addie Black has so far recovered from her operation a few weeks ago at Dr. Kilbourn's hospi-

tal, that she returned to her home on Monday. The Woman's club is planning a cach community Christmas tree, with carol shoes. o'clock. Everyone is cordially urged to join the school children in the singing, which will be accompanied by several corners.

by several cornets.

A party of fourteen Girl Scouts un-der the leadership of Miss Margery Peabody, who has a class of twenty-two members, hiked to West Groton last Saturday to inspect the cabin built near Miss Elizabeth Hill's home by a class of Boy Scouts, while un-der her direction, as Miss Peabody's which they built a fire on the bank mallows for lunch. After lunch they

William A. Lawrence's house, which

was soon controlled. The senior class of the high school held a very successful invitation dance in the town hall on Friday evening, December 16, which was well attended. The class were very grateful to the ex-service men at the U. S. contract hospital for the attractive To the Editor: S. contract nospital for the attractor of the contract nospital for the decoration of the town hall, which they did at the request of the class of persons who are planning to have the died on September 11, 1882. The decorations were green trees and repair work done on their shade trees, the first that Albert B. Jenks, for-

ing.

o'clock at the close of the evening servier.

The E. S. Clark W. R. C. held their regular meeting on Tuesday afternoon, when Mrs. Sarah J. Lucy was chosen junior vice president in place of Mrs. Effic Souther, who was unable to ac-

The Christmas entertainment of the Baptist church and Sunday school will held on this Saturday evening with the usual Christmas tree and social lime and refreshments.

The Mudgett trio will entertain the audience in the town hall on January 23 at the next in the series of the Blood-Bigelow entertainments.

Groton's oldest citizen, Mrs. Lizzie W. Davis, will reach the 100th mile-stone in her life's journey on Monday, December 26. Some authorities state that only one person in a thou-sand reaches the age of 100 years.

On Friday afternoon, December 16, the pupils and teachers of the Trow bridge school held their annual Christmas party, their tree being given them as usual by W. P. Wharton, Mrs. Elinor Ebert and Miss Gertrude Gerrish decorated the tree, and twen y-seven persons enjoyed a pleasant

The public library will be closed on christmas eve, December 24, and on londay, December 26.

The Middlesex Rebekah lodge held ts regular meeting on Tuesday evening and elected officers for 1922, as follows: Mary Raddin, noble grand; Mabel Souther, vice grand; Mary E. Boynton, recording secretary; Elizabeth Gibson, financial secretary; Frances Lackey, treasurer; George L. Boynton, trustee for three years.

Mrs. John Wootton and her neph-ew, Albert Clark, went on Wednesday to Worcester for a visit with Mos. William Nutter and to enjoy the hristmas shopping.

Mrs. William Clark is recovering from the injury to her foot, caused by its being badly scalded.

Pleasantly Surprised,

The forty-five former service men who are at present at the U.S. conact hospital were certainly surprised Sunday, when, through the efforts of the Middlesex County American Legion auxiliary, a Christmas tree and entertainment were staged for their benefit. For the past few weeks the auxiliary has been preparing for this event, and on Saturday a big tree was set up in the reception hall of the hospital. On Sunday several autoset up ii mobiles with officers and members of the auxiliary from all parts of the county, arrived at the hospital. In

all, 250 persons, including relatives of the soldiers, were present.

The program started off with a concert by an orchestra of eighteen At the meeting of the Groton lodge of Odd Fellows on Monday evening the officers for 1922 were elected as follows: Ernest H. Moyle, n. g.; Cedric E. Hodgman, v. g.; George T. Stevens, rec. sec.; Clay E. McKean, in sec.: George L. Boynton, treas. soloist. Luncheon was then served. The Christmas tree, which was decorated by Mrs. Horton Edmands of Concord, was the feature of the celebration. Edward J. Brennan, vice commander of the Concord Legion ost, acted as Santa Claus. dier received a box containing envelopes, writing paper, pens, toothbrush, tooth-paste, pencils, handkerchiefs garters and candy. The soldiers expressed themselves as highly pleased with the efforts of the auxiliary, and many were overcome with emotion at the conclusion of the exercises. The school children in Concord sent to each soldier a pair of shoes and over-

Theithredit for the success of the celebration is due to Mrs. Francis Ro-bart of Cambridge, Mrs. Frederick Gay of Arlington, Mrs. Horton Edmands of Concord, Mrs. Edith R. Avery of Framingham and Miss Anna The next meeting of the Alliance will be held on Thursday afternoon, December 29, at the parsonage, at three o'clock. The hostesses are Mrs. the American Legion of Middlesex C. B. Ames. Miss Brooks, Mrs. Tolles.

County Farm Bureau. Three projects were decided on for the winter and early spring at the recent meeting of members and subscribers of the Middlesex County along the shore of the river and signs days ahead of the time expected. Farm Bureau and the Bureau of Agriculture and Home Economicsclass wish to build one when they can secure a site for it. They prepared cocoa in the cabin, and while a barn meeting. The subjects to be it was cooking went down to the taken up at the first will be farm riverside and chopped wood with management and fruit-growing, and the clear-management and fruit-growing. taken up at the first will be farm management and fruit-growing, and much new material will be available under these heads from the farm surther the Littleton-Boxborough the Littleton-Boxborough the position of janitor at the Congregational church, and Mr. Hamilton of frankforts and toasted their marsh-Mr. and Mrs. Harry L. Bruce of Everett spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Bruce.

| Bruce of hiked through the woods along the ments of Prof. Kront during the past river, studying the trees as they went summer. It is planned to have the Later, they went back to the cabin tree-repair demonstration on the summer. It is planned to have the tree-repair demonstration on the Phillips Barry orchard which suffered severely from the recent storm. It is hoped to arrange to have the barn The fire alarm whistle was sounded meeting follow a dairy cow feeding on Thursday for a chimney fire in demonstration lasting ten days or two weeks, in order to bring out the most profitable methods and materials. is planned, also, to demonstrate at this meeting the saving to be made in home mixing of fertilizers and in buying only the highest grades of mixed foods.

the large trees at Fiveoaks farm and that he will be able to undertake diditional work. Mr. Jenks is well and favorably known here, and his movedede of and experience with the death of Mrs. Cook's brother.

The community Christmas tree and the most tures, marked the delightful social function, which was enjoyed by the death of Mrs. Cook's brother. Stephen Van Horn.

The community Christmas tree and hospitably entertained by Mrs. F. C. Hartwell, who gave a dinner at her entertainment will be held in Squanette. At a time when many men are faceok hall this Saturday evening at figure to do tree repair work who eight o'clock. A committee of citis Rev. Chester A Druppmend forms. the large trees at Fiveoaks farm and that he will be able to undertake eiditional work. Mr. Jenks is well and favorably known here, and his knowledge of and experience with

The Groton School boys left for of Mil. Some persons who desire to work their Christmas vacation at their Some persons who desire to work homes on Wednesday morning, with on their own trees, but do not feel their usual joyful cheering. The topic of the pastor's sermon on Sunday morning at the Congregation- al church will be "The genius of the manger." There will be no evening Forestry association recommend: service on account of the carol sing- "Practical tree repair" by Elbert ing at the community tree. The Peets, for a book, and Farmers' bulmid-week service will be resumed on Wednesday evening at 7.30, instead of at seven o'cleck. probably be obtained from any book- children.

School Notes

on Wednesday and were largely at the base tree in Squannacook hall on this tended by parents and friends. After Saturday evening. Everyone is inthe high school exercises lunch was vited to attend served by the girls of the cooking classes. Everything served from A special Christmas service with the service of the cooking classes. Christmas exercises were very succlasses. Everything served, from bread to coffee and cocoa, was prepared by the girls. The fruit cake nut sandwiches and little pineapple pies were especially delicious. The girls and Miss Kilbourn deserve credit for their efficient service. Several of the smaller children who attended the exercises of more than one school were somewhat puzzled by the various sizes that Santa assumed on different occasions.

The resignation of Miss Lena good. Morse, supervisor of drawing in the public schools, is announced with deep regret. Miss Morse has been a ource of inspiration to all who hav been associated with her, and her work has been of the highest order Miss Morse, who is to be married soon, will reside for a short time in Seattle, Wash, and later in Alaska, where her future husband will be stationed with the U.S. coast and geo

The new electric lights in the Butler high school are very much appreciated on the dark days.

The typewriting room is being en-larged by removing the partition that separated it from the janifor's room. The old room was too small to allow adequate room for proper working

home here on Wednesday, December 14, at the age of 80 years and 20 days, the cause of his death being arterio sclerosis. He ws born in Littleton, sclerosis. but lived in Leominster for some years, and was a stone-cutter by trade. He also spent part of his life in Lunenburg, and for the past two years had lived in this town near the home of his son. George, who sur-vives him. He also leaves another son, Lewis P. Nutting, of Leominster, and two sisters, also of Leominster. He was afflicted with lameness, caused by being kicked by a horse some fif-

teen years ago. The funeral services were held on Friday, December 16, at two o'clock at the home of his son, George Nutting. The officiating clergyman was Rev. Arthur V. Dimock. The bearers were Nesbit Woods, Frank Palmer, Waldo, Jewett, Frederic Martin and Mark Blood The body was placed n the receiving tomb at the cemetery.

To the Editor:

Considerable criticism is being heard regarding the methods of the tree warden. It is charged he takes the wood that he gets from felling and trimming trees; that he sells this wood for his own gain; that it is valuable, and that he does this work during the hours for which he is paid to do his regular work. I gave him the wood which accumulated in my vard, as a result of the last storm, and was glad to get rid of it. I know nothing about this matter, only from rumors. If the tree warden wishes to do so, probably he can explain this matter satisfactorily to everyone, and to his own acquittal.

William A. Lawrence.

Clipping.

The following was taken from an ssue of the Morning Oregorian, Ports and, Ore.:

The earliest moments in the history of Portland are commemorated in the name of Lovejoy, given to the former L street when the city was joined with East Portland in 1891, for Amos Lawrence Lovejoy owned half interest in the land claim which later beame the site of Portland.

He was born in Groton on March 14, 1808, and studied law at Cam-bridge and Amherst, later being the first lawyer in the colony which set-tled near Oregon City. His name ap-pears in the list which made up the first wagon train to come across the

plains to Oregon in 1842. There is some doubt as to the date when he first set foot on the ground which is now Portland, there being two distinct accounts of the same event, one taking place in 1843 and the other in 1844. At any rate, he met William Overton in Vancouver and together they were returning by canoe to Oregon City when Mr. Overton suggested they go ashore, as he wanted to show Mr. Lovejoy a claim he had staked out, but had no funds

where ships had stopped caused Mr. Lovejoy to become interested in Mr.

the two men who later flipped a coin to determine whether the new village should be named Portland or Boston. Mr. Lovejoy, in his time, served as member of the proviso legisla-

Mr. Lovejoy; in his time, served as a member of the provisional government in 1844, mayor or Oregon' City in 1845, chief justice of the provisional government in 1844, mayor and was also a member. The children of the west schools presented a Mother Gooose play with causes war, and was also a member several Christmas hymns and other of the inst territorial Legislature in several Christmas hymns and other or of Oregon City in 1845, chief justice of the provisional government in 1848, adjutant-general during the Cayuse war, and was also a member of the first territorial legislature in 1849 and several terms thereafter. He was a member of the constitutional convention in 1857, special United States postal agent in 1859, receiver of public moneys in the land office at Oregon City in 1860, and a union soldier during the civil war. He died on September 11, 1882.

West Groton.

Mrs. R. G. Simonton and her mother, Mrs. Cook, were called to Plainifield, N. J., last Saturday morning by the death of Mrs. Cook's brother. happy company of twenty-three press.

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a great increase in their honor recently.

If anyone doubts our having about
a present.

If anyone doubts our having about
the foreign population we can assimilate at present let him follow up
the record of crimes and misdemeantin Newton and already begun his pasrecommend, represented. It is hoped that a good the home people. Miss Josephine Holbert time will be had by all, and that evictors will also join the family for a fixed restrictive immigration eryone will give whatever assistance Christmas. may be needed to help the committee the place gifts in the hands of all the mas festival Wednesday evening.

Christmas services will be held at upon first, and then a unrisumas party the church on Sunday morning, with wis enjoyed by all. Mrs. Ruth Priest special singing and Christmas sermon Sunday school at twelve checked to that of lecturer. A tree, check with Christmas carols and a caused much merriment. Refreshments caused and a much merriment.

on Sunday evenink The pupils of the Tarbell school coss trip. enjoyed a Christmas tree and enter Electric lights have recently been tainment in Squannacook hall on installed by James Neagle, Curtis W. Wednesday afternoon. The enter-tainment consisted of a cantata by

the children, who were dressed to represent dolls, snow fairies, Christmas candies, etc. The parts were well taken and caused much laugh-The singing was especially Miss Ruth Bixby, of Wellesley Hills, spent a few days this week with her friend, Miss Ruth Mellish.

Mrs. Fred L. Blood spent Thursday holiday season. n Fitchburg with her sister, Mrs. James Hill has installed a water pressure system at his bungalow, the An Omission.

Henry Tatman has moved from irs. J. T. Shepley's cottage to one of Henry Adams' cottages.

vork being done by Leon Kane, our

tor. He was later taken to the Groton hospital.

the sick list this week. Robert Allen is also reported as being sick. The street lights of West Groton were lighted Just Saturday night for the first time since the ice storm, and owing to wire trouble part of them

Mrs. G. G. Harrington has been or

have not been lighted since At Squannacook hall next Wednesday evening the feature picture will be "Opened shutters," with Edith Roberts.

#### LITTLETON

News Items.

In the obituary of Mrs. McNiff in another column an error was made in stating that nine children were born to her. The number of children should have been ten—Miles, An-drew and Frank having died.

Have you heard of the High School Alumni party to be held in the town hall Wednesday evening, December 28, at 7.39 o'clock? A cordial welcome s extended to all high school alumni and their friends, to this informal gathering. Come and cheer L. H. S. Just on the first scheduled day of winter, December 21, the wind, com-bined by the other chilling elements o warn us that as the "days begin to engthen, the cold begins to strength en," and we found ourselves in the crip of another cold wave Thursday morning. Thermometers scarcely regstered below zero, but the air was lecidely sharp and penetrating. Warren Hartwell from New York

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith and daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Robbins, and Miss Edna Hartwell, are all at home for Saturday, Sunday and Monday.

Among the young people home from school for vacation, are Warrer Priest, Barbara Priest, Caroline Con ant, Beulah Kimball, Margaret Hart-well, Margaret Conant, Clifford Yapp, the Eisner sisters, Marion and Kathleen Drew, Hazel Murray, John Oddy, Charlotte and Elizabeth Pickard, Hope Fletcher, Marion Smith, Hazel Bradlee, Alice Hager and Hayward Houghton.

Many of the teachers are returning ome for the holidays. Miss Abbie McNiff will spend her

vacation at a hospital, where she is to undergo an operation at this time. Hon, F. A. Patch and Miss Ewings till be Sunday guests of their relatives in Lexington, and on Monday will be entertained by Mrs. Gillett and Mrs. Read.

Miss Ella Wright has the sympathy of her friends in her accident that occasioned a broken wrist. Daniel Healy has bought the

George Eccles place in Roberts, an attractive home for prospective bride and groom. Miss Olive Thacher surprised her

Miss Gertrude Sanderson is reported decidedly improved in health, although not wholly rid of the bronchial trouble that has annoyed her for sev-

Miss Mary McMartyn is home from Andover, N. H., for the vacation. The public schools closed Thursday for the Christmas vacation, and will

eral weeks.

re-open on Tuesday, January 3. There was a dramatic entertainment at the grammar school Thursday, which was attended by parents and

wholly amfitted to undertake it, in Groton are peculiarly fortunate being able to secure the services Mr. Jenks.

Some persons who desire to work of their own trees, but do not feel in their own trees, but do not feel munity will receive a gift from the south since his resignation from his south since his resignation from the Some vertice to do so, are asking where they in find a practical book or pamphlet in form a five town has accepted a call to a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a five town has accepted a call to a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newton and already begun his pass. It was not a church in Newt dren who do not come, or are not will spend the Christmas season with represented. It is hoped that a good the home people. Miss Josephine Hol-

> hildren.
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> Several matters of business were acted
> Christmas services will be held at upon first, and then a Christmas party varied program A cordual invitation ments consisting of sandwiches, cocoa, is extended to all is extended to all comballs and candy were served, and
> There will be a community Christthe evening proved a very successful

All members of the W. E. Conant family are expected to gather in the littleton home on King street at school on Thursday by the score of Christmas time, excepting Richard G. 29 to 12. There was also a game A special Christmas service will be Littleton home on King street at given at the Christian Union church Christmas time, excepting Richard G. Conant, who is in the west on a busi-

> Drew and Arthur Drew, all of Warren Miss Hattie Shafter of New Bed-

ford is at home for the holidays. Mrs. Elizabeth Green is in town for a few weeks, and divides her time between her son, Guy's family, and

Miss Elizabeth Thacher,

The L. W. Bartletts of Greenfield are with Mrs. A. T. Kimball for the Miss Abbie Billings has been some

what indisposed for a few weeks past

A recent issue of the Boston Herald enumerated a quite lengthy list of things congress ought to attend to at the present session and President Harding also set a few tasks for that of Henry Adams' cottages.

Mr. McNayr injured his foot while working at the paper mill the first of the week.

Little Paul Hallet, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hallet, is reported to be very sick

Inading also set a few tasks for that august body in his message, but neither of thems mentioned the imigration problem which seems to us fully as important a matter as several of the questions to which attention was called.

Inasmuch as the present law limiting immigration somewhat ex-

adequate room for proper working be very sick

Thomas Stone, of Pepperell, suffered a painful accident while working at the leatherboard mill this passed away very suddenly at his hand being caught in the passed away very suddenly at his hand, requiring the services of a doc-



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rant any further delay if the intent is to do anything.

As a matter of self-preservation it would seem clear enough to anybody outside of our legislative halls that something ought to be done and that promptly. The old idea of the "melting pot" may have been all right fifty or a hundred years ago, but big as it is the "melting pot" will not be large enough to assimilate the mess that will be dumped into it from Europe if some action is not taken to check

will be dumped into it from Europe if some action is not taken to check the rush before the present restriction expires. If nothing is done every available steamer loaded to the limit will be ready to dump its load in time to help us celebrate Independence day, 1922.

The matter of restricting this rush of immigrants is not by any means as simple as it may seem. There are too many powerful influences at work with money behind them (and also

too many powerful influences at work with money behind them (and also some votes) to permit congress to pass a wholesome and effective law without strenuous opposition.

The election of 1922 is looming in the offing and the average congressman will hesitate to vote for any bill that is likely to throw many votes against him when he comes up for re-election, and the time will be too short to give the voters a chance to forget, hence votes for ligid restriction will be hard to go in some districts.

tion will be hard to or in some districts.

The steamship companies who make money by bringing immigrants over will be unqualifiedly for unrestricted immigration and will use time, money and influence to prevent passage of any restrictive bill. These gentry care little what becomes of the country as long as they get their profits. There are numerous racial groups through-

policy and the sooner congress gets about the job the better. V. T. E.

# HARVARD

The fire department was called to subdue a chimney fire at the home of Harold Webber on the Ayer road Wednesday night. No serious damage

was done In the first of a series of basket ball games at Bromfield school among the girls, the sophomore team between two boys' teams captained by Kinsman and Chester, respective ly. Kinsman team winning by the score of 13 to 11.

Still River.

Miss Helen Stone has been appoint-d postmistress and Miss Eleanor Haskell assistant postmistress at the Still River postoffice. Mr. Stone is building an addition onto the north side of the Robinson house that be recently bought of Capt. Drury, and it is expected that after January first the postoffice will be located there instead of in the store building where it is now situated.

Frank Isely, of Wichita, Kansas,

is visiting Mr. and Mrs. Haynes. Henry R. Harrod lost a fine cow a few days ago. The animal apparently got loose in the barn and received a kick from Mr. Harrod's horse n such a manner as to kill the cow.

'Mr. Gussman, of Roxbury, Vt., is the guest of his parents, Rev. and Mrs. William Gussman, at the par sonage.

A Christmas tree will be enjoyed in the Baptist vestry this Saturday evening, and the morning session on Sunday will consist partly of Christmas exercises by the children. A A. Hutcherson has purchased

new special Six Studebaker touring

car of Yates' garage, Ayer.

CARD OF THANKS

We, the undersigned, wish to ex-ress our heartfelt thanks to all the elghbors and friends for their help-ulness and expressions of sympathy in ur late boreavement.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Nutting, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis P. Nutting. Groton, Mass., December 19, 1921.

# NOTICE



The Town Books close December 29, All bills must be in on that date. Reports of officers and committees must be in the hands of the Selectmen or the Printer on or before Tucsday, January 10, 1922.

FRANK A. TORREY, AMOS L. AMES, WILLIAM P. WHARTON, Selectmen of Groton. Groton, Mass., December 19, 1921.

The Appropriation Committee is to meet on December 29, January 5 and January 10, at 7.30 P. M., in the Lower Town Hall to meet those interested in the appropriations of the different departments of the town. It is requested that as many as possible ome the first night.

GEORGE F. KNAPP, H. P. TAINTER, FRED CARPENTER, R. G. SIMONTON, HARRISON M. HATCH. Appropriation Committee Groton, December 23, 1921

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Saturday, December 24, 1921

News Items.

Postmaster John M. Markham an nounces that he has received the new series of Treasury Savings Certificates which have been adopted by the United States treasury department. They are issued in three units of \$25, \$100 and \$1000 maturity value. The first bears the portrait of Theodore Roose-velt, the second the portrait of George Washington, and the third the portrait of Abraham Lincoln.

Clarence D. Young of Ayer has sued Alvina Young of Boston, charging un-faithfulness. They were married July 14, 1917.

Mr. and Mrs. John J. Livingstone have been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo McKown and son Albert of

The four lower grades in the pubschools closed last week for fortnight. The other grades and the school begin a week's vacation this week Friday.

Edward B. Hopkins of Dartmouth college is at his home for the holi-

Mrs. Caroline Niles is caring for Mrs. Hortense Stone. Ralph H. Richardson is home from Dartmouth college for the holidays. Miss Esther A. Stone visited rela-

tives in Waltham last Monday. Miss Lucile Hollis is home from Wheaton college for the holidays. Miss Ruth C. Harlow is having

vacation from her studies at Simmons Miss Elizabeth Bennett is home from Garland school, Boston, for the holidays.

Mrs. Ella F. Hovey has been visiting friends in West Acton.

Miss Shirley McGray has been ill with bronchitis,

Lieut. Raymond E. Farnsworth, Lieut. Raymond E. Farnsworth, U. S. N., a son of Charles L. Farnsworth, has been promoted to the command of the U. S. S. Reno, a destroyer with a crew of 120 men. He is now on his way to Bremerton navy yard, Washington, for a stay of six weeks. Mrs. Mary A. Beverly of Nashua, N. H., is visiting her son, Howard M.

Dr. Bertrand H. Hopkins has returned from Greenfield, N. H. Mr. and Mrs. Harold B. Allen of Pingreyville have taken charge of the farm

of the doctor's uncle. Mrs. Francis Lovejoy attended the annual fair of the Ladies' Aid assocition in Boston last week, remaining for the State Federation meeting, being a delegate from the above-named organization.

Robert H. J. Holden has purchased from Frank C. Fletcher his Chandler

Roger D. Johnson is home from Dartmouth college for the holiday re-

Mrs. Elmer Lawrence and son Mil-

The financial data of the union fair are as follows: Total receipts, \$1566.64; expenses, \$138.59; net receipts, \$1428.05. The respective shares of each church are as fol-lows: Unitarian, \$442.64; Federated, 42.55; Episcopal, \$273.02; Baptist \$269.84.

The Conant-Houghton & Co. Inc. Employees' association are to have a social dance in town hall, Littleton, Friday evening, December 30. Newell's orchestra of Marlboro.

on Christmas day will be holy com-

Fitchburg and Lowell street railway, due in at North Chelmsford at 7.45 last week Thursday evening crashed into a wagon occupied by two men, who were driving in the tracks at Crystal lake, North Chelmsford. One of the men, Daniel Connell, of Tyngs-boro, received a broken leg and a shaking up as the result of the impact of car and wagon, and was taken form of last season. The final score to the Lowell Co-operative hospital. The other man escaped injury and 33.

in "The Week End."

edy. Educational News

Walter C. Winslow has recovered from his recent illness.

The class of 1921, A. H. S., is to hold a dancing party next week Fri-day in Hardy's hall.

District deputy grand master, David H. Young, and suite, visited Beacon odge, I. O. O. F., in Pepperell last Thursday night.

One-man cars are now wholly used on the Lowell and Fitchburg street railway.

Arcadia lodge of Somerville con ferred the rank of knight on three candidates from here last Wednesday evening. Members of Harbingo lodge, K. of P., were in attendance. Members of Harbinger The Christmas party held last week Friday evening by Robert Burns and Vesta Rebekah lodges for the children of members was a great success. Winiford A. Bean was master of cere-

Winford A. Bean was master of cere-monies. The noble grands of the two lodges welcomed the guests. Miss Evelyn Yates rendered piano solos and Miss Elizabeth Page read a se-lection. Rev. Leslie F. Wallace talked to the children about St. Nicholas and the approaching hollday. Santa Claus was represented by Edward C. Page was represented by Edward C. Page. Gifts including sweets and fruit were distributed. Ice cream and cake were enjoyed. The evening was given over to games following the formal proram till about ten o'clock.

Thirty-six patrons attended Harvard Grange Tuesday evening from here, the local ladies' degree team doing the

A special town meeting will be held in the town hall on Friday evening, December 30, at eight o'clock. After a moderator is chosen action will be taken to see if money will be appropriated in addition to that appropriated at the last annual town meeting for the notes and interest account; to appropriate money for the public shade tree account; to pay accounts contracted by the tree warden under the extreme emergency vote of the selectmen; to appropriate money for the fire department account.

The public schools in town closed Friday for their Christmas vacation, reopening on Tuesday, January 3,

be the subject of the sermon at the Unitarian church on Sunday morning at 10.45. Music, "Adore and be still," Gounod, and "O little town of Bethlehem," Minetti—Theodore Barry, violinist, and Mrs. W. C. Sargent, soprano. In the evening, at 7.30, music will be furnished by a ladies' trio, Mrs. W. S. Beckford, Miss Eleanor Clark and Mrs. W. C. Sargent. Music, "Christmas carol," Shelley; "All my heart this night rejoices," Gow"; "O little town of Bethlehem," Ashford, and "Silent night."

Twenty members of the Federa lub enjoyed a very pleasant evening on Tuesday, through the combined efforts of Miss Patterson and Mrs. Lucius Wheeler, who had the affair in charge. Members of the club came dressed as men, women and children. The men and children received very marked attention. Near-ly everyone present responded gladly when asked by the "master" of cere monies for some form of entertain-ment. There were highly educational readings, very deep poems and excep-tionally classical forms of music, all rendered in a professional manner. The entertainment was followed by visit from Santa Claus, who quickly emptied the heavily-laden tree, and everyone was delighted with their useful gifts. Candy, popcorn balls and apples were in abundance and the time to close festivities came all too soon.

On Saturday, December 10, these people from the Unitarian society attended the reunion of the Star Islanders, which was held in Cambridge in Dr. Crothers' church: Mrs. Susan M. ton of Fitchburg have been visiting Barker. Mrs. Nina M. Beverly and Mrs. Lawrence's mother, Mrs. Martha Mrs. Clara F. Hill. There was a re-There was a reception at noon and dinner was served at 1.30. An entertainment of singing and a play followed. It was an exceedingly interesting meeting.

Mrs. Ella F. Hovey left Thursday for Newburyport to spend the holidays with her daughter, Mrs. Stafford N. MacWilliams

Other Ayer matter on page eight

y evening. December 30. New-richestra of Marlboro.

A. played the Fitchburg Independents and easily defeated the latter priation has been authorized for the operation of laundries during the results and easily defeated with Avar get. on Christmas day will be holy communion and sermon at 10.45 Special Christmas music and Christmas for the first basket, and was even the service the sacrament of baptism will be administered to children. The collection on Christmas day will be used to help the starving children of Europe.

In a fast game by the score of 57 to operation of laundries during the remainder of the fiscal year, the camp laundry has been ordered closed, and all employees discharged effective December 31. Following the departure of Mr. Porter, Joseph Davis has been that outplayed the Fitchburg lads, and at the end of the first period found the score 32 to 16, with Ayer in the lead. The second period was core of 57 to operation of laundries during the remainder of the fiscal year, the camp laundry has been ordered closed, and all employees discharged effective December 31. Following the departure of Mr. Porter, Joseph Davis has been that outplayed the Fitchburg lads, and at the end of the first period found the score 32 to 16, with Ayer in the lead. The second period was even the points for each side, then first period found the score 32 to 16, with Ayer in the lead. The second period was even the plant.

Herbert Stingle of the Q. M. C., now chauffeur for Gen. Hersey, rein the lead. The second period was The electric car from Ayer of the tichburg and Lowell street railway. Visitors had an excellent passing game.

talent in tossing them in. Downing, ing center activities. Fowler and Pillman covered their A general court men in fine style and spoiled many vened in Worcester l

The preliminary game was the first his name being unknown. It is of a series of three between the Ayer council, K. of influence of liquor. James Hartford was the operator on the one-man car.

The preliminary game was the first of a series of three between the Ayer council, K. of ities a short time ago, confessing failties as the operator on the one-man car.

to 21. The Grange passing had the "Casey" boys guessing at all times. The second of these series will be played on Christmas afternoon.

The other bill for Christmas afternoon will be the Red Sox of Charles town, who will shoot baskets with the Ayer A. A. The games will be played at three o'clock on Monday afternoon.

Clipping.

The following is taken from the Boston Transcript of !secember 22: "Although only small subscriptions were asked the fund raised by the fund raised by the nemorate Dr. William Greenough memorate Dr. William Greenough Thayer's twenty-fiv years' service as headmaster has reached \$6100. The committee in charge of the fund, with the approval of the trustees, has decided that the income will be used as follows:

"First, for the establishment of prizes to be awarded each year to the high scholar in each form. For prizes, books will be given in which there will be a special book-plate stating that they are purchased from this alumni food. this that are suitable for gifts for men. this alumni fund.

"Second, a scholarship of \$250 from the balance of the income will be awarded to the highest scholar in the school on the record of his previous from the record of his previous from the record of his previous from the school on the record of his previous from the school of the school on the record of his previous from the school of the school o ous year, and without consideration of his financial need.

"The first issue of the new St. Mark's Alumni Bulletin, published by the Alumni association, has just nade its appearance. It contains letter from Dr. Thayer, a review of the football season and school and lumni notes in full measure." Dr. Thayer will be well remem-bered in town as the first vicar of Andrew's church and a former

Camp Devens News.

master at Groton School.

Chief Michael N. Hoar of the camp ire department has arranged that all occupied buildings are fully equipped with fire extinguishers.

Sergt. Ray C. Spang of the detached enlisted men's list expects a transfer shortly, back to his original station in "The lights of Christmastide" will New Haven, Conn., on recruiting duttes.

Brig. Gen. Mark L. Hersey, formerly commanding officer of Camp Dev-ens, has returned from Virginia to Boston, and on last week Friday took over command of the coast artillery for this district.

H. B. Johnson, formerly Red Cross director in the camp, but now of Boston, was in camp last Saturday on official business for his organization.

Edmund C. Sliney, formerly Catholic chaplain in the camp, has just completed the course of the army chaplains' school at Camp Knox, Kentucky. Capt. Leonard W. Hassett, returned

with the medical forces at camp, was a visitor about town on Sunday. Capt. Hassettt is now one of the operating surgeons at the Walter Reed General hospital in Washington, D. C. George A. Porter, superintendent of

the camp laundry, has been relieved of his official duties with the camp quartermaster, and, after a short leave of absence, will proceed to Fort Jay, N. Y., reporting thereat for duty as superintendent of the big government laundry at that point.

Brig.-Gen. Mark L. Hersey, former ommander of Camp Devens, made an official visit to cantonment headquarters Monday afternoon in the interests of training activities next sum-mer. Gen. Hersey, in addition to his duties as commanding general of this coast artillery district, embracing the New England states, is also assigned by the war department as having charge of the first training center area. which includes the same states. Fort Ethan Allen, Vt., and Camp Devens have been chosen as training centers, and elaborate plans are being made by Gen. Hersey and his assistants for the training of a considerable number of men at this camp next season. Major Lewis of corps headquarters accompanied the general on his trip.

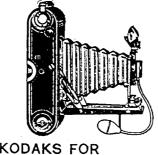
Major William E. Wilmerding of the station hospital has moved his family and household effects to Fort Andrews, where he will be stationed

newed acquaintances in camp on Monday afternoon.

Capt, and Mrs. Edward N. Fay have Kelley, as usual, was "Johnny-on-the spot." Donahue showed his usual

A general court martial was conchances the visitors had of scoring.
The team now shows more of the old government has against alleged draft vened in Worcester last week for dis deserters, all of whom were Worcester residents. Convictions are not secured in all cases, and the findings of the

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service. It appears that he registered by the Plymouth Male quartet from under the provisions of the selective Boston. Dancing will then be in order service act and then shortly after until midnight. Refreshments will be sailed for Europe. He enlisted in the Armenian legion of the French army, served during the evening. Practically hil of the officers have

where he served with honor for the btained heliday leaves of absence. balance of the war. Following his Technical Sergeant Joseph P. Cal-anan, of the finance department, died discharge he then went to Egypt where he married and lived for some time, returning to Worcester last at his home in camp on Wednesday afernoon, following one day's absence spring. Upon being charged with deertion, he brought all the evidence from duty. Death was caused by tonsilitis in an acute form, resulting in adema of the glottis. Sergt. Callahan possible to headquarters to substantiate his claim, even to passports for all international travel he had perwas chief clerk of the finance office and had proven himself a very valuaformed. His case has not been disble man in government service. He had served in Washington for a con-siderable length of time before comable that he will be released from all ing to camp and in his capacity of ex-Warrant Officer Samuel J. McIntosh pert accountant had made considerhas reported to camp for duty at able progress in adjusting errors in headquarters. He has moved his famaccounts of disbursing officers who ily from Boston where he was on were stationed at Camp Devens during

duty at the army suply base.

Field Clerk Bernard P. Guptill is small children. The body was reon a two-weeks' annual vacation at moved to his mother's residence in Roxbury, where it will be buried on A Christmas celebration will be held Saturday with full military honors. at the Hostess House on this Saturday | Major Joseph C. Morrow, command-

was sentenced to one year at hard command, their families and friends past, has been relieved from further labor. An interesting case developed will be welcome. Beginning at 5.30, a last week when a resident of Worces-Santa Claus will arrive and distribute Andrews on Thursday afternoon. Other Carabad Bedragian was brought of the ability and distribute Andrews on Thursday afternoon. Other Carabad Bedragian was brought of the ability and distribute Andrews on Thursday afternoon. N. Fay.

Major Charles A. Lewis reported at camp on Thursday morning to assum command of the camp. Major Lewis is not a stranger to this locality as h was here with the 76th division, being signal officer of that organization. He intends to move his wife and daughter to camp for the winter.

Clarence D. Lavell, 1st lieut, 13th infantry, is now camp adjutant, as-sisting Major Lewis in the duties of commanding the camp.

ical department, was discharged on Thursday and left camp for his home evening, to which all members of the ing officer of the camp for some time in Covington, Ky.

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ter, Garabed Bedrossian, was brought to headquarters as a descriter from the service. It appears that he registered by the Plymouth Male quartet from Edward A. Austin and Capt. Edward N. Fay.

Arthur E. O'Leary and Bernard Guptill, the remaining field clerks at headquarters have been ordered to Boston for duty.

Capt. Charles W. Neues, present amp adjutant, has been transferred to one of the harbor forts, acco panying Capt. R. E. McLain and Capt. Charles O. Ashton, likewise transferred on training center duties with

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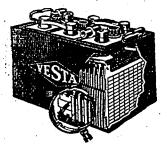
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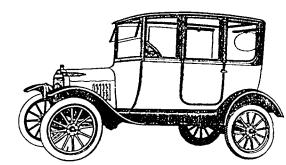
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BROOKLINE, N. H.

The annual church meeting will be held in the Grange hall Thursday, De-cember 29. There will be a social hour in the morning. Dinner in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Boulton, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woodin and Dr. and Mrs. Daniel Emerson, will be served at noon. After dinner there will be the roll call and reports of the church and societies affiliated with it. All church members and all those who are interested in the church, are cordially invited to be present. Contributions for the dinner are solicited.

Schools were closed last week Friday instead of this week on account of the two cases of scarlet fever in town. The little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Goodwin has a severe ase, but is doing as well as can be spected. The nurse who was caring

her developed a throat trouble was obliged to give up the case return to her home in Lynebor-Marion Goodwin, Mr. and Mrs Goodwin's daughter, is having a

very light case of the fever. The ennual Christmas concert has

been z en up. I last Saturday night to the basketbalt game between Hollis and Milford, which resulted in Hollis beeater symmetry of 33 to 13 in of Milford. The trip was ing beater planned for a sleigh ride, but those who attempted it had mostly bare ground to ride on. One sleigh, it is

Miss Elizabeth T. Worcester came At the meeting of Nashoonan en-campment of Odd Fellows, held at

Nashua last week Friday night, Albert F. Hildreth of this town, was Hildreth of this town, was elected junior warden. The first degree was conferred on

regular meeting last week. There was visitation from Grand Master For-est Garland of Nashua, and members yster supper was served.

The Hollis Woman's club will meet with Miss M. Arvilla Hardy Wedneslay afternoon, December 8.

Harvey Powers writes he had the lights stolen from his car while it was standing in front of his house in At the Boston teachers' annual

Thristmas party held in the Twentieth Century club under the auspices of he Boston Teachers' club, Miss Abby Flagg, retiring editor of the Teachers' News Letter, was presented with a purse in appreciation of her five ears' service in that office. The fourth degree was worked on

one candidate at the Grange Tuesday night, and a Christmas program of songs and readings was carried out. Miss Carrie Brown is at home from the Sargent School of Physical Cul-ture, Cambridge, for the Christmas

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Spaulding were in town calling on friends and relatives recently. Mrs. Spaulding, though not well, is much improved.

The result of the Red Cross drive was \$137. On account of one of the collectors spraining her ankle, the reeipts were late in being turned in. Miss Helen Farquhar was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Robert (Gilhooley)

O'Neil in Milford over the week-end Rev. Mr. Dunbar of Greenville filled the pulpit last Sunday in exchange with our pastor, Rev. Mr. Crathern. The date for the postponed supper nd community sing is January 6

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Walsh of Audson are spending the winter with dr. Walsh's sister, Mrs. T. Frank Mement, and family.

Fred Mayou went to work Monday norning for Proctor Bros. at Huff's mill. Lkeeping, die 1 last week. Cards received from Arthur Boul-ton, Raymond Lovejoy and Fred Where can you spend \$355 in motor transportation—where your ing a fine trip.

> There was a troop meeting of the

tidiment was in charge of Hazel Lovemers of the troop committee. Mrs. Milton Wright, who has been captain of one of the troops of Girl Scouts in Waltham, is assisting in the work here. Dainty refreshments were served in charge of Rheta Locke and

Harold Hardy, Mrs. Elmer Boulton. Mrs. Charles Boulton, Mrs. C. Worcester and Miss Elizabeth Worcester have charge of the annual Christmas tree at the town hall this Saturbe charged to help defray expenses. Balph Muzzey is home from Dart-

is in Boston for his vacation.

Belknape's history of New Hamp-

Club Meeting.

The Dramatic of ... Charles E. Hardy Monday evening with tharty preset During the business meeting the president read the by-laws that had been drawn up and they were accepted and it was voted of the first and third Thursdays in the nonth. The entertainment for the evening was in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Wentworth and Mrs. Charles E. Hardy, and consisted of nusic and games. In the snowball white balls through hoop. Francis Morrill took first prize. One pleasan feature of the evening was a beautiful Christmas tree, which here a gift for everybody present. A delicious lunch of sandwiches, cake, cocoa and candy was served. The next meeting will be in charge of Erving Simonds, John Mercer and Miss Helen Purrington. The young men of the club have harge of the town hall decorations ind tree for Saturday night, while the young ladies take charge of decoratng the church for Christmas day, when Rev. Mr. Crathern will preach a Christmas sermon.

Nows Items.

George Abbot has returned home from his hunting trip to Sandown N. H.

Miss Ruth Greeley of Exist Pepper-ell spent the week-end with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Taylor.

All schools have closed for twoweeks' vacation and the teachers have gone to their homes for the holidays. The largest lead of logs measuring 329 feet ever drawn into B. & A. D. Fessenden's mil, was drawn in by Jackson & Sois, with their large

truck. Mrs. Gertrude Powers left Tuesday o go to Pepperell to spend the holidays with her parents, Arthur Cook of Waltham has been

everal days with his aunt, Celia Forace Hall mas been a recent visitor in Boston.

### MASON, N. H.

The friends and neighbors of Selectman Stanley Flagg gave him a birthday surprise party last Saturday evening. The Gening was spent very pleasantly with singing, games and other amusements and if hilarity counts for anything at all. Stanley felt many years younger instead of being one year older.

Mrs. Lucy Lawrence, who, many reported, tipped over, but no harm years ago, resided in this town on was done and they all report a good the Farrar place, has been quite ill at her home in Townsend, Mass.

Rev. Mr. Forbes of Wilton occupied home from Wellesley college last week Friday for a three-weeks' vacation. the pulpit at the Congregational church last Sunday. There will be church last Sunday. There will be special Christmas music at the church Sunday.

The regular annual New Year's party and watch night service will be held in the town hall New Year's night.' Games and music and a general good time will be enjoyed by all who attend. Everybody in town is urged to be present.

Mrs. Robert S. Gailey is spending the holiday with her daughter, Mrs. John Robichaud, at West Groton. Fruitdale Grange will hold its last

meeting of the year next week Tues-day evening, and will also be the last meeting before the installation of of-ficers, which is slated for January 12. At the meeting Tuesday the lecturer has arranged the following program: Christmas tree, report of delegates to State Grange, annual report of all officers, songs selected by James Bell and Grange Journal by Flora Farwell.

Harland N. Hill has resumed his regular duties as mail carrier, after enjoying a week's vacation. Walter Tasker of Brookline has

been visiting at C. L. Barnes.' James Tarbell was in town Sunday

Mrs. Lewis Warren spent a f days visiting in Boston last week. Rev. C. F. Hill Crathern, who was

to preach at the Congregational church, Greenville, Sunday was unable to do so because of a severe cold but fortunately his son Charles, who is home for the holiday, volunteered to give a talk on the far east, which proved very interesting.

The regular pastor of the Greenville hurch, Rev. Mr. Dunbar, filled the ulpit of the Congregational church in Hollis Sunday.

Frank Brown of Lunenburg is at Henry D. Babb's farm. George F. Morrill, photographer of Fitchburg, and Miss Nellie Bidwell of ditchburg spent Sunday at The

Maples. Louis Smith, who has been on a business trip to Lynn, Mass., for a few days, has returned to his home

A valuable horse owned by Aathony W. Hill has had this winter for its

Mrs. Annie L. Churchill of this town, but who has been visiting in had so far had no trouble since. New Ipswich helping in the care first started, when they had a her daughter's husband, George S gent, who has been confined to his home for several months.

Kathryn Warren of this town has been elected vice president of the senior class at Dean academy, Franklin,

by and Florence Pines. After the or until January 2, the teachers re-business meeting there was a short turning to their homes for the holiday, entertainment and remarks by mem-Henry D. Babb has been shipping large quantities of fancy wreaths to the Boston market and already has orders booked for Decoration day.

Farmers in town are pruning their fruit trees and report much damage was done them by the recent ice

# SOUTH BROOKLINE, N. H.

The Social club met with Mrs. Mary Gilmour last week Thursday after-noon, six members being present and mouth college for the holiday vaca | one visitor. The name of Clara Whitney was voted on and she was elected A very interesting to membership. A very interesting reading by Mrs. Gilmour was followed by a delightful social hour. dainty lunch was served by the hos-

> Miss Virginia Lathe is home from Milford to spend the school vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Will-

> Master Frederick and little Miss Dorothy, children of Mr. and Mrs. Frederick Kneeland, have been quite ill during the past week, but are much

(i) D. Fessenden returned to Conon Wednesday. Edward Sheridan, of West Newton was a recent visitor of Mr. and Mrs.

E E Fessenden Mrs. Elsie Shattuck was in Nashua friends, and doing a little Christmas

Mrs. Hattle Farrar was in Nashua m Saturday. Miss Myrtle Farrar of Concord ar rived home last Saturday to spend the Christmas vacation.

O. D. Fessenden was in Boston Mond is on business

# WEST ACTON

Your Items.

The supper, sale and entertainment of the Benevolent society of the Baping was a success, as a good patron-age was given. The entertainment consisted of violin solos by Mrs. Lena

Those from here who attended the December meeting of the D. A. R. Pepperell 113-3

at the chapter house; Concord, were Miss Annie Blanchard, Miss Juliette Blanchard, Miss Virginia Sanderson and Mrs. Webster Blanchard, who en-

tertained with plane soles. Mrs. Mary C. Stevens has the sympathy of her many friends in the death of her sister, Miss Sarah R. Croston, of Haverhill. Miss Croston was a frequent visitor at the home of her sister here and made many friends, as she was very congenial. She was about to come here to spend the winter with Mrs. Stevens, when she was stricken with a heart trouble, which proved fatal.

Mrs. Charles Hart of Keene, N. H., was a recent visitor at the home of Mrs. George Conant and sister, Miss Willis.

Miss Margaret Hall is home from Wellesley college for the helidays. Prof. and Mrs. Raymond Dodge of Middletown, Conn., are at the home of Mrs. Dodge's parents, Mr. and Mrs. D. C. Cutter, for the season.

We learn that Harry Wambolt is fast recovering from his recent operation at the Massachusetts Genera hospital. At the meeting of the W. R. C.

Monday evening the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Mrs. Nancy Chaffin, pres.; Mrs. Lizzie Davis and Mrs. Hattie Maynard, vice pres.; Albertie Mend, treas.; Hattie Hayward, chap.; Gertrude Leighton con.; Mrs. Davis, guard.

James Kinsley, postmaster. been very ill with sclatica rheumatism this week. Miss Carrie Wetherbee is helping in the post office.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of LUCY A. BOYNTON late of Pepperell in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by PARKER J. KEMP who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the ninth day of January A. D. 1922, at mine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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

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her, the executive therein named without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Countridge in said Country of Middlesex, on the fourth day of January A. D. 1922, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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

Withess, George F. Lawton, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this four-teenth day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and twenty-one:

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F. M. ESTY, Register.

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# Have You Been a Good Boy?



### CHRISTMAS DOES NOT STAND ALONE

F CHRISTMAS stood alone it would be an interest of the control of would be an idle mockery. But it does not stand alone. It is part of a year. Yet it is a peculiar part. It is that brief period in which the child rules the world,

It marks nowadays the culmination of a civilization which has had a leading principle. The selfish, the hard, the grasping and the unsparing are out and apart that one week from the great flowing tide of the development of the world's progress. The man or woman who does not know this or see it or feel it is alien to the Christian spirit and to all the prodwrought by the Christ spirit in the twenty centuries last past.

Christmas day, then, brings a message. But it also sings a song of hope and calls aloud a prophecy. The message is that gentleness is stronger far than force and that the greatest power on earth is the compelling power of tenderness.

Every Christmas tree is lit with that light. The great flood of presents bears this as its The cheer and mersage. charity of the whole season are fed by this love.

If the result of this process only a century flower, however, or one that blooms even only once a year, then of what use is this more than that, this grotesque fact than that stranger plant? It is a curious phenomenon only, a hothouse spectacle and not an abiding food product.—Rev. ... M. Steele, Philadelphia. food product.-Rev. Dr. David

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# NONE FOR HER.

Mr. Bacon-I see by using a modified wireless receiving instrument a French scientist has been able to detect thunder storms more than 300 miles dis-

Mrs. Bacon--Well, dear, if you were thinking of getting me anything like that for Christmas, forget it. I can the tail. The crook handle of the umhear thunderstorms soon enough as it

# CELERY AND CHEESE SALAD.

Chop nicely blenched, tender celery fine and bind it together with mayon-naise. Line an ice cream dipper with cottage cheese, then fill up with the celery mixture, packing it in well. Screw out the cones on crisped lettuce leaves arranged for individual serving.

# CHRISTMAS FOR THE BABIES.

Never deny the bubies their Christ mas! It is the slining seal set upon a year of happiness. Let them believe in Santa Claus, or St. Nicholas, or Kriss Kringle, or whatever name the jelly Dutch saint bears in your region. Marion Harland,

# NO MISTLETOE TRUST.

"If mistletoe was positively necessary to Christmas osculation," said Uncle Elsen, "daid be a mistletoe trust in no time

# PLEASURE.

Oh, pleasure may itself refute
As for its: "he we call.
We work so a d in its pursuit
We have a fur at all.

Apropos of the failing prices, the old aphorism still stands that the people can do what they please if they will only please to do it.

Cheaper shoes are predicted for 1921, which is a long way off yet and nany things may happen before the shoe simmp arrives.

Maybe some are figuring that with what they save by wearing an old straw hat they may be able to buy a shovel of coal next fall.

# Fun With Christmas Parcels

fun over the Christmas tree than ever before because each parcel was wrapped in such a way that it was impossible to guess what it contained.

When the strings were untied half-a-



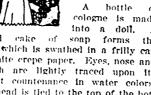
stuck into the kitchen candlestick before placing it under the tree where

ican Benuty that formed the center blossom of this masterpiece. A bracelet was concealed among the stems and ter, the wide ribton which tied them

together. This year, a silk umbrella is to be disguised as dachshund by

in strong paper and then twisting a wire around ing the ends up to form the short and six sisters. legs of "long bowwow," Another bit of paper twisted on the ferrule forms | West. the head and the whole thing covered

pins are used for eyes



olson in Farmer's Wife.

France lost 57 per cent of its men nder thirty-two years old, and still there is squabbling among others as to who it was won the war.

So frequent are the reports that the ex-czar is still alive that the allies may yet have to resort to the ouija board for definite information.

The man with a dandelion recipe isn't so much in danger of drinking himself out of house and home as he is of drinking out his front lawn,

# 

town.

To stimulate the children's ingenuity, a prize of a box of candy was offered to the member of the family who displayed the greatest cleverness



handkerchief had

ened with a drop of ink to show that Barton, made examination and X-rays the wick had been lighted. This was were taken. However, Mr. Stevens rallied enough to be operated upon the following day by Dr. Munroe, head it presented a very realistic appearance. specialist of Boston and Dr. Lowell ance.

quet of paper flowers. The tiny watch hid Itself in the heart of a huge American father. Edward E. Adams, of Lanenhour of his death.

of the late Gilman R. and Anna (Heath) Stevens. At the age of four-teen years he came to Townsend, making his home with his sister, Mrs. John E. Spaulding. On December 17, with good blood, the strength and 1912, he married Miss E. Belle Hadingor of health return. There is bleasure in living, with good blood ley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edward E. Adams of Lunenburg, who, with a daughter. Myrtle Ada, aged eight years, and a son, Edward Gilman, aged thirteen months, survive him. a wire around each end and bend- He is also survived by siv brothers

The regular meeting of the Ladies brella is padded with cotton batting for Study club was held on Monday afternoon at the reading-room with an at-tendance of ten members and two with brown crepe paper. Two big tendance of ten memory and Wise Small gifts are the easiest of all Alice Seaver. Mrs. Charles Hodgman Small gifts are the easiest of all Alice Seaver. Mrs. Charles Hodgman to make mysterious. They can be hidden in imitation apples, bananas, oranges or other kinds of fruit or paper cornucopias or drums. A set of dollies has been made into Old Glory by using crepe paper covered with American flags. Two of these were cut out, justed on cardboard and fast.

round cake of soap forms the by his nephews from the Center and head which is swathed in a frilly cap the committal service at the grave of white crepe paper. Eyes, nose and was read by Rev. Joseph McKean. mouth are lightly traced upon its Mr. Kilbourn was for some years a vacant countenance in water colors, resident at the Center and his wife The head is fied to the top of the bottle, the long dress of white crope na. Matte Gleason, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Miletus Gleason, old rest the the long dress of white crepe paper put on, and another twist of paper put on, and another twist of paper only by nephews and nieces and his beautiful and the state of this village. He is survived only by nephews and nieces and his bone. runs crosswise for arms.—Paula Nich later years were passed at his home

> to her home at Townsend Harbor Monday morning by the sudden and serious illness of her father, and Mrs. Stephen Keefe is substituting during her absence.

Miss Adelle Chapin of Arlinggton is visiting at the home of her father John Chapin, of Main street.

comined to her home by the injury to her wrist from a fall on the ice few weeks ago, has sufficiently re covered to resume her teaching at the chool building, where Miss Ann Witham has been substituting.

### **TOWNSEND**

The Doreas class of the M. E. church held an entertainment in their church vestry last week Friday even-There was a miscellaneous program and a farce, "Don't," with the following cast: Hattle E. Misner, Vicorla Swicker, Edgar Wilson, Wilbur Scales, Esther Scales, Wesley Hodge and Lester Aspinwall, candy was also on sale. lome-made

George E. Sanders and Marshall 2. Higgins of Maine university, Orono, fe., are spending their Christmas vaations at their homes here.

Miss Miriam Adams . Holbrook, Mass., a former high school teacher here, spent the week-end with Miss Helen Tarbell.

Rev. A. L. Struthers' subject for the children's sermon Sunday morning will be "Christmas" and for the regu-lar sermon, "Where is he?" In the evening there will be a stereopticon lecture. Subject, "Christmas," in song and picture.

Last week Thursday evening at the meeting of Franz Waldo Miller post. A. L., the following officers for the ensuing year were elected: John H. Bachelder, commander: H. Raymond Thatcher, vice comman ler; Ralph R. Bush, adjutant; Lesle E. Hurley, treasurer; George C. Winchester, service officer; G. Victor Powell, employ-ment officer; George H. Upham, chap-Walter E. Grimes, historian Leon S. Marshall, athletic officer; Clarence Wyman, sergeant-at-arms.

The steamer, belonging to the Townsend Fire Co., which has been at Manchester, N. H., for some time, undergoing repairs, has been returned and is in first-class condition.

Miss Agnes Farrar, who teaches in Taunton, is at home for the Christmas

#### Funeral Services,

Funeral services were held Sunday afternoon, December 11, in the Con-gregational church for Levi Stevens, ho passed away at Burbank hospital, Friday, December 8, Rev. A. L. Struthers officiating. Mrs. F. B. Hig-Struthers officiating. Mrs. F. B. Higgins and Mrs. Rouy Cowdrey sang one selection, "Sometime we'll understand." Services by North Star lodge, I. O. O. F., were held at the church, a large delegation of Odd Fellows attending. The bearers were two nephrows Edwin Corey and Fred Holt of ews, Edwin Corey and Fred Holt of Manchester, N. H., a cousin, George A. Gardner of Nashua, N. H., Harry Woodward and Frederick Willard of Fitchburg, and Leglick Fitchburg, and Leslie Hurley of this

Interment was in the Edward E. Adams lot in North cemetery, Lunenburg, where a committal service was conducted by Rev. A. L. Struthers. Relatives and friends were present from Troy. Manchester, Reed's Ferry and Nachae and Nashua, N. H., and from Fitch burg, Lunenburg, Ashby and Town-

send.
Mr. Stevens' death was the result in wrapping gifts. This was won by of a painful accident, caused by the eight-year-old Jack. He hung a string of remarkably lifelike sausages upon the tree, as an offering to his mother, gine and striking Mr. Stevens in the she has arived in St. Petersburg, Fla., head. This occurred at the F. Wood farm, where Mr. Stevens was employed as foreman.

numbled out. Each tumbled out. Each bundkershief had been was called and after many handkerchief had unsuccessful attempts to revive Mr. Stevens, he was taken to Burbank a small cardboard hospital in an automobile driven by a small cardboard and then wrapped in mottled paper.

A close second to Jack's was a fountain pen concealed in a candle made of thin pasteboard wrapped in white tissue paper twisted to a point at the badden of the second to the hospital was difficult on account of the hard traveling. Upon examining Mr. Stevens' injury no hope was held for his recovery. Drs. Roynton paper twisted to a point at the held for his recovery. Drs. Boynton, top to represent the wick and black. Lowell, Ely, and a head specialist, Dr.

Mrs. Stevens, a former hospital A wrist watch was hidden in a bouhour of his death.

N. H., January 3, 1887, the son sickly, the late Gilman R. and Anna Acc

cut out, pasted on cardboard and fast. Rev. Joseph McKean will occupy his ened together on each side of the flat pulpit at the Baptist church on Sun-package of dollies and a small stick day morning, his topic being "Is Christ attached to one being crowded out of Christmas?" end. This will the evening the Baptist Sunday school "wave" most will hold a Christmas concert, to "wave" most will hold a Christmas concert, to effectively from which the public is cordially invited.

the Christmas
tree.

A bottle of cologne is made into a doll. A coop forms the bottle of the cologne is made into a doll. A coop forms the bottle of the cologne is made into a doll. A coop forms the bottle or the perhews from the Center and the cologne is made in the cologne in the cologne is made in the cologne in the cologne in the cologne is made in the cologne in Grand Rapids

Miss Ellen K. Harvey, who teaches the grammar school, was called back

Mrs. Herbert Litch, who has been

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The Baptist Sunday school will hold their usual Christmas tree in the Baptist vestries on this Friday evening at mas exercises of the public schools will be held in Seminary half this Friday at noon, while the Homer Christmas tree will be held at the reading-room on this Saturday morning from nine-thirty till twelve o'clock, being held in the morning instead of the afternoon as usual, on account of the distribution of library books in

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Homer will give a Christmas party to their employees and families at their home on lower Main street on this Saturday evening.

the afternoon.

The annual sale of the Ladies' Lib-The annual sale of the Ladies' Liberal Aid society of the Unitarian church was held in Donley's store last week Friday afternoon, with an excellent display of fancy work, aprons, etc., as well as no cream on sale and met with complete success, nearly their entire stock being disposed of, under the charge of Mrs. Emma J. Lees, assisted at the fancy work table by Mrs. Herbert Wise and Mrs. Mary Heath and at the ice cream counter by Mrs. Frank Ormsby and daughter This Saturday afternoon the usual by Mrs. Hernett Wise and Mrs. Mary Heath and at the ice cream counter by Mrs. Frank Ormsby and daughter

Mr. and Mrs. W. B. Ellis and the Misses Ethel Clayton and Dorls' Rueg of Fitchburg were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Smith.

An auto party from here attended and enjoyed the lecture given b. Dr. Grenfell at Pepperell last week Thurs day evening.

Harrison Young of Fitchburg was ir town last week Friday and Saturday, disposing of some of the household goods in his former home in Joslynwille and storing others, as the two tenements in the house were immediately occupied, one by Earl Weich and family and the other by Mr. McInnis and family.

Ian Rusk from the University Maine is enjoying a vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Rusk.

Mrs. Edith Winchester, proprietor of the Squannicook Inn, is stopping for the present at the home of her son, George Winchester, of lower Main street, as she has been suffering from a severe cold for several days, and the Inn is closed during her absence.

Mrs. Hazel Towle has taken Gladys Richardson's place, assisting in housework at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy Brown, and her little daughter Blanche is with her.

Mrs. Elliott of Bridge street left last Saturday for a few weeks' visit with her daughter in Milford, N. H. Alex Young is at present employed at the Lyman farm in Ashby, and his family have moved from the Reed cottage beside the Baptist church into Thomas Smith's cottage on the Mason

Mrs. Mary Reynolds, who has been quite ill at her home on lower Main street, is reported as somewhat im-

Daniel Ormsby, Agnes Coffey and he children in Eugene Robbins' fam-ly are the latest reported victims of he mumps, Word has been received here from

Mrs. Alice Proctor Stickney of Nashua, V., H., a former resident here, that where she will spend the winter. New Advertisements

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H. F. TARBELL, Cashier,

### East Pepperell, Mass., Dec. 8, 1921 Commonwealth of Massachusetts

Estate of Helen M. Moore, late of Groton in the County of Middlesex de-ceased, represented insolvent. The subscribers, having been appointed by the Probate Court for said County, commissioners, to receive and examine all claims of creditors against the estate of said Helen M. Moore, hereby sive notice that six months from the eighth day of November A. D. 1921, are allowed to creditors to present and prove their claims against said estate, and that they will meet to examine the claims of creditors at the selectmen's office in the Town Hall Building, Groton, Mass., on the eleventh day of January, the eighth day of March and the bighth day of March and the bighth day of May next, at two o'clock in the afternoon.

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#### PEPPERELL

News Items.

Miss Forbes, county leader of the Home Economics clubs of Middlesex county, met with the Sixteen Succes Chasers club at Groton Street school Thursday noon to plan work to be done during the holidays. The club is planning a little charity work for Christmas and the committee chosen for this work are busy carrying out the various schemes. Miss Field and Miss Iris, who were to have met the girls at the last meeting to discuss garment-making, were unable to be present, owing to illness, but will meet the club after the holidays.

Letters received from Miss Mildred Sartelle from Philadelphia, where she has been a student at the Art school, relates that she is improving after an accident which occurred some weeks ago. She was struck by a passing auto while on the street in the bush ness part of the city, and so badly injured that she was carried to a hospital and remained there under treatment for nearly two weeks. She is now making satisfactory gain, and will be no permanent effects, as no bones were broken.

The result of the recent Red Cross membership drive is announced as something over \$300, and the amount has been turned over to headquarters at Lowell by the treasurer of the local organization, Dana O. Merrill. The storm of November 28 interfered with the earlier finish of the work of the The captains and helpers who assisted, are cordially thanked for their cooperation.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Shattuck moved from Groton street last Saturday into the double house of the Palmer property on Tucker avenue, which are to occupy with Mrs. Shat-Auck's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas

spend the Christmas holidays in Danvers, Mrs. Handley going this week. Mrs. T. R. Rice remembers her

sum of \$30.40 as the proceeds of their and the fine Rhode Island Red "crow-food and miscellaneous sale on Wed-ler" was awarded her; the first prize nesday afternoon.

hall on Tuesday evening, the election of officers resulting as follows: William T. MacMasters, Townsend, chief patriarch; Cedric Hodgman, Groton, senior warden; J. Gardiner Willey, high priest; Grant Palmer, junior warden; Granville W. Clarke, recording scribe; S. Albert Yeaton, C. P., financial scribe; Curtis D. Gilman, treasurer; H. N. Tower, trustee for three years; S. A. Yeaton, rep-

Gilman, treasurer; H. N. Tower, trustee for three years; S. A. Yeaton, representative to the grand encampment.

Miss Mildred comes this Friday's school vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Lunt.

Mrs. W. A. Lenest and daughter

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mittee passed the refreshments of confere and cake.

A turkey, which was also donated, to be disposed of by tickets, was found to belong to a Mr. Johns of Ayer, who held the lucky number, although the was not present.

The company were entertained during the latter part of the evening by

Hollis road.

Towers. Readings were also given by Miss Rogers. Miss Mary Aldrich also gave several selections of vocal music. See, as special photographer. tiser, as special photographer. Mr. Meikle's two children, Harold and Ruth, recently came here to board with Mrs. Hearn, after her removal here from Greenfield, N. H., and his visit was to them in their new home. Mrs. Matilda Gray came from Wor-

home of a niece, Miss Sarah Pratt, at weather holds. He has had a few men working on the ice field this week, and will put on a larger crew as soon as he commences to cut. It was reported more than ten inches

thick on Thursday. Miss Elizabeth Wright, who is connected as teacher in the special work among defective children in Boston, and Miss Fitts, who is at the head of seventy-five teachers engaged in that work in the city, are to pass their vacations here in town next week Miss Wright will be at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. F. T. Wright on Park street, and Miss Fitts

will pass the week at Villa Lorraine Nathaniel S. Shattuck returned Tuesday from Boston, where he went attend the 143rd performance of the oratorio, "The Messiah," given at Symphony hall on Sunday and Monday evenings by the Handel and Haydn society. Apart from a natural love for good music, the presentation possessed unusual attraction for Mr. Shattuck, who was at one time a member of the Handel and Hadyn society, while residing in Boston several years ago. He recalls hearing the same oratorio sung in 1872, when the soloist was Pareppa Rosa.

The Community Service club will meet next week on Wednesday evening at the home of Miss Anna Boynton, Main street, for a social evening while so many of the members are

Mrs. L. A. Johnson is to go to Allston on Saturday to the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. B. Kaulbeck, and Mr. Johnson will also go there on Sunday for a family dinner party, and to spend the holiday Monday.

Reports from the Tully family, who were injured in the gasoline explosion, are of their improvement. Tully and the younger son, Edward, was the worst injured, are at home, although having to return the hospital for treatment occasionally, as the scars on his face were slow to heal, and he had other injuries. Henry Tully was soon over the trouble with his arm.

Arthur D. Brown, the aged storekeeper, who has become quite popular with the housekeepers near the corner of Cross and Main streets, has been alling for some days, and on Wednesday by advice of his physician. was taken to St. Joseph's hospital for

observation and treatment. Mrs. Leylle Stewart has been acting as clerk for Mr. Brown during his ab-

Mrs. E. J. Darling is so much imof her lameness that Miss Warner is to go to her home in Townsend for awhile over the holidays.

Mrs. Gertrude Powers of Brookline, N. H., has been stopping with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Willey, the past week, assisting her mother in the preparations for their annual Christmas party of difteen to twenty guests, who are expected on Saturday for over the week-end and holiday.

The condition of Mrs. Alice Spencer is not improved at the Copp hospital, where she has been for several weeks. The only change seems to be added weakness from day to day. Her mother, Mrs. Walter Jewett, who had as light sickness, seems now as well as before, and is about her home.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Wheeler of Keem N. H., December 18. Mrs. Wheeler before her marriage, was Eva Hodgkins, formerly of Pepperell.

Miss Janet Newhall of Boston university and Karl Newhall from the Kingswood school at Hartford, Conn., came home for the holidays on Fri-

Miss Doris Durant is expected home from Boston on Saturday, and will pass the Christmas holiday on Monlay with her parents at the home of Mrs. Durant's relatives, Ernest and Louis Stickney, Milford, N. H.

Mrs. Frank T. Wright recently re turned from a visit at Waltham and Boston. During the time of her visit she had the rare pleasure of listening Haydn chorus, for the presentation of "The Messiah," as Miss Elizabeth Wright is a member of the society. The rehearsal was the last one given in Rogers' hall on Sunday afternoon and the chorus of 450 voices under the direction of Mr. Mollenhauer was fine.

The regular meeting of Acoma Re-bekan lodge will be held on Tuesday evening with election of officers. At the Opera House this Saturday

there will be shown some extra fine church, pletures, afternoon and evening. Other Pepperell matter on page 3.

Pleasant Whist Party.

The whist party held on Tuesday vening by the members of the Ladies' Sodality of St. Joseph's parish was excellently patronized, and the A. O. H. hall was fairly well filled. Mr. and Mrs. E. E. Handley are to There were twenty-five tables and evpend the Christmas holidays in Daneryone seemed to have a good time. At the close of the play the prizes had; were awarded by John T. Sullivan amid day. much merriment. The prizes thempresent.
Christmas greetings from her winter
chome in New York:
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for gents, which was a Plymouth The regular meeting of Norbeagro Rock hen, was given amid much laughter to the winner of the prize, Frank Bennett. Both the prizes were donated for the special occasion. The consolation prizes, were in the same line, being a real egg and an artificial one, and the winners were Mrs. Mary Drumm and Mrs. Annie West. After the fun subsided and the prizes were properly housed against the time when they could be taken away, the committee passed the refreshments of cof-

Mrs. W. A. Lenest and daughter from Medford were week-end guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Jacklin, her accompanist being Miss Alice

Children's Day.

Fine weather on Children's day, which was observed on Tuesday by the Woman's club, brought out the largest crowd of children ever remempered, about 325 being present. They were delighted with their entertainer.

Arthur Jorgenson, of the Groton
housekeeper for C. D. Gilman.

Mrs. George Adams returned this week from a two-weeks' visit at several places near Boston, stopping for some time with her sister, Mrs. Butserfield at Westhorn and grips from a two-weeks' visit at several places near Boston, stopping for some time with her sister, Mrs. Butserfield at Westhorn and grips from a deciration of nationes and when near a list of former, local represent-such the Boston and Maine yard. For some imany duties, It was interesting to the Boston and Maine yard. For some imany duties, It was interesting to hear a list of former, local represent-such there was quick work to extinher there was quick work to extinher on the building at two proposed in the Boston and Maine yard. For some imany duties, It was interesting to hear a list of former, local represent-such there was quick work to extinher on the building of about fifty dollars' damage was defeated. It is supposed hot cinders attention from a committee, adapted dropped on the concrete slab under were delighted with their entertainer. terfield, at Westboro, and going from amount of patience, and when necesthere to the home of her friend, Mrs. sary, exercised his authority in a fine Simonds, at Winter Hill, and to the way, to quell the confusion. The children seemed to think it was one of the jolliest entertainments possible. W. E. Chapman is making preparaand their delight was contagious, so as grand juror for next year. Edwhite's address many questions were
that the several adults enjoyed the ward Wyman has been drawn as juror asked by club members, showing their inshaw pond next week, if the cold performance as well. Mr. Jorgenson tertainment, which lasted consider- uary 3. ably over an hour. was his and the children's, and no business was attempted. Every child was given a little treat of candy and peanuts as they departed for home, to make them doubly happy.

# Fire at Hillcrest Farm.

During the high wind of Wednesday night, about 10.30 o'clock an alarm was sounded from box 32, but before the alarm a telephone message had been received at the Central stahis buildings at Hillcrest farm, were in sames. The telephone line had been repaired only the day before. The engineers of the fire department responded, and several members of the department, taking the extinguishers only, as it was known that the water supply would be scanty. supply would be scanty. The fire Stopping off at the National Brid made such rapid progress that Mr. Lexington, and the Luray Caverns and Mrs. Méredith and their two children, were only able to make their escape without clothing suitable for such a night, and without being able have leased Depot square for their to secure any of their valuables. Mrs. jitney business. Other jitney men Meredith and the children, of two who have been doing business from years and of three months, were cared the square are inclined to contest the neighbor, Henry Blood. Later they strict the privileges of the square to went home with Mr. and Mrs. C. J. the lessees. Bell, and on Thursday afternoon. clothing having been procured, they went to Boston to the home of rela-

The engineers found the buildings beyond their powers of saving, even the barn, at some distance from the house, being in flames before their arrival. Mr. Mcredith, with the farm ielp and the help of neighbors, succeeded in getting out his three horses. which were taken to the barn of Will Dow, and the twenty-seven head of cattle were turned loose, and were rounded up Thursday and cared for in different barns. The farming implements, tractor, plows and harrows, destroyed, together with sevral tons of hay and other tools. Mr. Meredith the afternoon the newly-formed association attended "The Follies." The it is thought he will rebuild in the pring. He was carrying some insurince on buildings and furniture, but not enough to cover the loss.

The fire seemed to have originated in the shed, which connected the vagon house with the main house, and the cause is as yet unknown.

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landmarks of the town, and will be better recognized as the Moses Griffin place. It was situated near the New Hampshire line, and was one of the most sightly places in that sec-tion. The house was probably built about the year 1778, but has been remodeled and several additions made

by all the successive owners. This was one of the ancient homesteads, of which a record was made tion's recollections.

ded there until the death of the parts, when the daughter, Mrs. Carrie Harrington, land in northeasterly and tillin McNayr, became the owner, easterly parts; John Smith to Anna muing to reside there for thirteen W. Lawton, land on state road in She sold to Dr. H. H. Cleveand in turn he sold to the preswher, Robert R. Meredith, about two years ago.

#### AYER

News Items.

A meeting in the interest of comiunity Sunday school teacher trainng was held at the Y. M. C. A. last Sunday afternoon. It was decided to attempt such work and a committee appointed to make arrangements for it. A first meeting may be held about the second week in January, of which due notice will be given.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker attended a meeting of the Unitarian Sunday chool superintendents of Greater Boston on Monday, and a meeting of the Sunday school reunion in the evening of the same day. Both meetings were held in Boston in the Bulfinch Place

day from four to seven o'clock.

his friends last Saturday by announc-Miss Margaret Willis Caldwell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Caldwell of Waban. The ceremony was performed in Manchester, N. H., and had, been kept secret until last Saturbert L. Farnsworth, Warren A. Wins-

The appointive officers of the Woman's Relief corps are hereby announced; Mrs. Mary L. Brooks, secretary; Mrs. Etta Craig, patriotic instructor; Mrs. Jessie M. Crawford, press correspondent; Mrs. Charlotte B. Freeman, Mrs. Evelyn N. Cunningham, Mrs. Evelyn C. Harmon, Mrs. Bertha W. Branson, color bearers; the assistant guard will be announced

The officers for the ensuing year were elected by Vesta Rebekah lodge last Wednesday evening: Mrs. Odber S. Folkins, noble grand; Mrs. Lester Corthell, vice grand; Miss Helen Kelleran, seceretary; Mrs. Ella F. Hovey, treasurer; Mrs. Sarah E. Jenkins, trustee for three years. Mrs. Lillian Barritt, president of the Rebekah assembly, visited the lodge this Friday evening, accompanied by her suite. Mr. and Mrs. William E. Murphy will spend the holiday with relatives

in Boston. Ayer Grange will meet next Wednesday evening. Reports from the State Grange meeting in Springfield will be given. The music will be in charge of Mrs. ('harles E. Stone. Suggestions for next year's program

will be in order.

derneath. court' at East Cambridge on Jan-ling considered.

Dennis J. Flaherty left this week for Baltie, Conn., for his annual so-

The fifty-ninth annual celebration and ball of the Peace and Unity club will be held in the town hall on Monday evening. January 2. Bennett's orchestra of Leominster has been engaged. A buffet supper will be served. A son and daughter were born last Tuesday to Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Cut-

ler. Fletcher street. Mrs. Joseph E. Hart has been called Luther E. Holden of Shirley is 7.30 o'clock. Working in the Union Cash market

Rev. Frank B. Crandall returned The Federated Church. Thursday evening from the The fire stopping off at the National Bridge. Virginia, and at Washington, D. C Albert E. Little, George H. Little

Roy Lawton and Thomas J. Marshall at the home of their nearest right of the railroad company to re-

Netateo Hall Associates,

A big day was recently enjoyed by forty-five girls who had enjoyed the the Sunday school. home life of Netatco hall in Ayer. On that day they met in a get-together manner in Boston, where an en thusiastic business meeting was held and a permanent organization form-Associates. The following officers were elected: Mabel 12 C Springfield, pres.; Jessie C. Wood-ward, Shrewsbury, sec.-treas.; Mae Linnehan, North Adams, Ella Griffin, Worcester, Lillian L. Kent, Fitchburg, Evelyn Kelley, Salem, May L. Purves,

Springfield, advisory committee,
Following the business meeting in the afternoon the newly-formed association attended "The Follies." The evening was devoted to a dinner party at the Hotel Bellevue, where Mr. Longley, Mr. Driver, Mr. Hayden, Mr. McLaughlin and Mr. Harvell were guests. Miss Ruth Littlefield, of Salem, and Miss Theresa Tierney, of Springfield, sang in a delightful manner, while Miss Whiting, of Quincy, gave two readings which were much enjoyed.

To the west the Blue Ridge mountains rise in beauty and madesty. Lynchburg is progressive in its city government. Politics have been reduced to a minimum. Instead of a herd of political swine feeding at the public trough. Lynchburg employs a city manager. Citizens say that in the years since the city manager took charge, the public have had cheaper public improvements and a marked growth in improvements at the same time.

The educational opportunities of The place is one of the well-known enjoyed.

The association will hold its next naual meeting in Worcester.

The following real estate transfers have been recorded recently from this vicinity: Ayer, Roland B. Dixon et al trs. to C. E. Stone et ux., Auron Smith to R. B. Dixon et al trs., Charles E. Stone ex. to A. Smith; steads, of which a record was made for the D. A. R., and they show that the original owner of the land was losenh Warner of the land was losenh w Joseph Warner, and deeded by him to Deacon Daniel Fiske. A part of the land, then owned by Jeremiah Lawrence, was also deeded to him, with buildings thereon, in November, 1778. Later the property was deeded to Joshua Shedd, from him to Reuben Baldwin, and from him it passed into the hands of Moses E. Griffin of Charlestown in July. 1828. which Charlestown in July, 1838, which brings it within the present generation's recollections.

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> easterly part. Men's Meeting,

The men's meeting held at the Army Y. M. C. A. last Wednesday evening in the interests of work among the boys of the town was one of great interest. The Baptist, Episcopal, Unitarian and Federated churches were represented by forty

The report of the sub-committee, appointed about a month ago at the meeting held at the Federated church, mbraced a possible program for physical recréation for boys. It was voted that Frank C. Johnson, chairman of the meeting, should appoint a committee to solicit contributing members to this work at one dollar each, provided sufficient support is forthcoming.

The old Soldiers' club building will be secured for the project and a group of men led by Brennis H. Tyrrell will voluntarily supervise the activities. It is hoped the committee will be able The Unitarian church school will to sublet the hall three days a week, which will bring the proposed proobserve Christmas with a party, tree and supper at the church this Saturof the community,

ay from four to seven o'clock.

An appetizing supper was served at 6.30, the menu including baked is friends last Saturday by announcinesh ham, mashed potato, mashed ing his marriage on November 6 to turnip, celery, rolls, ice cream, cake,

ginger ale and coffee.

After supper bowling was enjoyed day. Mr. and Mes. Gathercole are low and Holden C. Harlow, the latter making their home in Boston for the leading his men to victory.

Woman's Club.

A very delightful and instructive lecture was enjoyed Tuesday evening by the Woman's club and many guests. High school teachers and pupils were special guests, and their re-H. Corthell, musician; Mrs. Mabel sponse to the invitation was very grat-Read, assistant conductor; Mrs. Cora lifying to the club. Prof. Roland B. Dixon of Harvard closely held the at-tention of his audience with a very human account of a most thrilling journey through the Himalayas, illustrated with beautiful pictures.

At the regular club meeting Wednesday afternoon Mrs. Annie C. Mullin, first vice president, announced that the vacancy caused by resigna-tion of Mrs. Mary A. Lawrence, president, had been filled by the election of Mrs. Edith D. Johnson. Mrs. Johnson accepted the presidency for the remaining term of office, saying that she realized the position was an unusually difficult one to fill, as Mrs. Lawrence had so endeared herself to club members by such faithful, effic-lent service. Mrs. Anne S. Normand as consented to serve as chairman of the program committee.

The program of the afternoon was in charge of the legislative committee, Mrs. Edith D. Johnson, chairman. Mrs. Johnson introduced Howard B. White, representative for the twelfth Middlesex district, as speaker. Last week Friday afternoon about two o'clock the fire department was qualifications of a representative, his called to a fire at the coal elevator in induction to office, and some of his the Boston and Maine yard. For rooms dropped on the concrete slab under to the consideration of the subject of the boiler, causing it to become over- the bill before it is possible for it to heated and set fire to the timbers un- be presented to the house. Mr. White also said that the number of bills is Walter A. Blodgett has been drawn constantly increasing. Following Mr. at the criminal sitting of the superior appreciation of certain bills now be-

Mrs. Nina M. H. Beverly, for the legislative committee, explained its aim. It is designed to accomplish an Janina Kasanaska. Donald Chesboi intelligent conception of bills to be Piano solos by Missey Marion Stone

The literature and library extension committee is to have a meeting at the home of the chairman, Miss Mary B. Johnson Wednesday afternoon, De-cember 28. Club members are cordially invited to attend.

The regular meeting of the execu-Lowell by the illness and death of tive board is to be held at the home her little grandson, Almon Schurman, of the president, Mrs. Edith D. Johnson of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Schurman, son, High street, Friday evening at

Sunday morning at 10.45 a Christ-

mas cantata will be sung as follows "Angels from the realms of glory," processional; "Pastorale," instrumen-tal; "Save us, eternal God," opening chorus; "To the hills," chorus; "O Bethlehem, beloved," tenor solo and chorus; "Night of wonder," chorus; "With loyful tidings," trio for ladies' "Glory in the highest," chorus; Mesus, joy and light forever," quartet and chorus; "We have found the saviour," male quartet; "O, who can tell?" soprano solo; "Praise Him," full chorus; recessional hymn. At seven o'clock in the evening a

Christmas concert will be given by Mid-week service Thursday evening

Letter to the Editor:

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The writer promised you that he would write you his impressions of the city of Lynchburg.

In every respect Lynchburg makes a most favorable impression upon the visitor. The city, which has about 30,000 inhabitants, is situated on the James giver in the beautiful valley of Virginia. It is built on several hills and some of its streets rival in steepness, the famous steep streets of Ithaca. To the west the Blue Ridge mountains rise in beauty and majesty.

fered in Lynchburg are of high order. The city maintains excellent grammar and high schools for both white and colored children. Lynchburg is also the seat of the Randolph-Macon Woman's college, which ranks with the best women's colleges in the country.

Woman's college, which ranks with the best women's colleges in the country. Lynchburg is plentifully supplied with big, prosperous churches. It has forty-eight Evangelical Protestant churches, besides a Christian Science church, a 'Roman Catholic church, a 'Roman Catholic church, a 'Unitarian church and a Jewish temple. An ordinary imagination can picture what all the brick and stone of merely those evangelical churches near the center of the city might have made if it had all been built into one building. A vast cathedral rivaling those of Europe, 'might have towered about the busy streets of the city below to proclaim that religion was the foremost concern of the city. As it is—and as it is almost everywhere—the eye is greeted with the symbols of the fifty-seven varieties of christians.

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Among the most interesting sights for the visitor are the tobacco markets. Lynchburg is one of the largest of the tobacco markets of the tobacco markets of the tobacco markets of the tobacco markets of the world. Every week-day forenoon, except Saturday, the tobacco brought in through the season by several thousand planters near Lynchburg, is sold by auction in the great warehouses in the castern part of the city.

The writer has had, the pleasure of visiting the Masonic bodies of the city. Marshall lodge, chartered in 1793, and named after Chief Justice John Marshall of the United States supreme court and a colonial grand master of the grand lodge of Virginia, is rich in the traditions and great names of Virginia Freemasonry of colonial days. A later lodge is Hill City lodge. Among the other Masonic bodies are Lynchburg lodge of Perfection, Ancient Accepted Scottish Rite.

The Royal Arch chapter is of particular interest to the visitor. Virginia is the one state in the union whose capitular Masonry is not affiliated with the General Grand Royal Arch chapter of the United States of America. The reason is that Virginia Royal Arch Masonry has never been willing to give up the council degrees, which have here been traditionally

Royal Arch Masonry has never been willing to give up the council degrees, which have here been traditionally given in the chapter. There are, of course, no councils of royal and select masters in the state. The order of degrees as conferred in the chapter in Virginia is: mark master, past master, select master, royal master, most excellent master and Royal Arch Mason.

Mason.

The writer reflected that the world is a small place when he recently met on the streets of Lynchburg a man whom he had known at Cornell and who now is head of the department of psychology in the Randolph-Macon college. He thought that the world was a small place in every truth when more recently he met, at a faculty gathering at the college, a former pastor of the Congregational church of Ayer, Professor E. B. Crooks, professor of philosophy, who is sending greetings and messages by the writer to former parishioners.

The crowning excellence of any place, of course, is its people. Lynchburg offers great riches to the visitor in the hospitality and friendship bestowed by its people. As with us in Now Evolund according to the control of the college. The writer reflected that the world

in the hospitality and friendship bestowed by its people. As with us in New England, good cheer is a tradition. Muffins, corn bread, and many other varieties of hot bread delight the palate. He who has ever tasted Virginia fried chicken prepared by one of the old-time cooks will, after his departure, evermore turn a wistful glance toward old Virginia. The kindness of friends here leaves nothing to be desired. A man becomes ing to be desired. A man becomes an American in degree as he learns to know his own country. To know the southland and, in particular, Virginia, is a great blessing in itself and to this end. Frank B. Crandall.

The above communication was held over from last week's edition.

Strand Theater.

The Strand this Saturday presents "The rider of the king log," a Holman Day special production. A heartappealing drama of the north woods 'XK's" pride was pierced. They had snubbed his motherless daughter because he was a "wood-chopper." ish, he had not. To society he did not belong. But this brawny, fighting forest king had a supreme father love. See "XK." He is one of God's own. A drama for fathers, mothers. boys and girls.
Sunday, double feature bill, Shirley

Mason in "Mother hearts." Marguer-ite Fisher in "The week-end." Two shows only, 3.30 and 7.30 p. m. Christmas, Elaine Hammerstein in News Items.

Handcuffs or kisses

# SHIRLEY

News Items. Christmas exercises were held by the first four grades of the public Miss White's room on Thursday afternoon as follows: Songs by the school and by grades 1 and 2, 2 and 3, and by 3 and 4; recitations, Walton Harris, Priscilla St. John s designed to accomplish an conception of bills to be at federation meetings, os by Misses Marion Stone Willis were very creditably Esther Evans, Frances Tremblay, Shirley Rettberg, Irene and-Hocquard, Frances Coleman, Clifford ing the preaching service for the next Wilkins, John Novaskansk,; exercise by eight girls and one by

> the children. Leslie C. Wells, cashier for Jones & Baker, Cleveland, Ohio: Miss money in the birthday box to help on the church apportionment for misthe office of Ryan & Bucker, Camridge, and Miss Annie C. Hale of the Chocolate Shop. Worcester, will spend Christmas at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George S. Wells.

The room was tastefully decorated by

The grammar school observed Christmas on Friday afternoon with the following exercises: Song, "Hark, the herald angels sing," school; recl. tation, "The Christmas stocking," habraham Cutler; songs, "Holy night," School; "In little Bethlehem," grades met at the parsonage on December 15, foods, bold held the parsonage on December 15, foods, and the parsonage of the parsonage o dance," 7th and 8th grades; "Darn-ing the Christmas stocking," Clarence Read and Henry Gately; song, "Good King Wenceslas," school; play, "Mrs. Mary E. Hager, vice pres.; Mrs. Santa comes into her own"; song, "Under the stars," school. This was followed by gifts from a joke Christ- cradle roll superintendent; Miss Hazel SKINNED BACK HAMS

mas tree. Miss Mary Gleason is home from hristmas vacation.

Leonard Hooper is at home from his school in Hartford, Conn., for the holidays. Chester Hooper, inspector Western Electric Co., with headquarters in Hartford, Conn., will he at home for Christmas.

Miss Gladys Annis is at home for a vo-weeks' vacation from her school n Holden. Henry Matthews, of Old Town, Mc

ailed on his sisters, Mrs. Frederick Peneseau, Mrs. Clayton Wells, Mrs. John Peneseau and Miss Jeanie Mat-thews, this week. Mr. Matthews is office manager for the American Woolen Company at Old Town and was in Boston on a business trip.

John Maguire has been confined to his home the past week with a sever old. Mrs. Maguire has been attending the store in his absence.

Services at the Congregational church on Sunday will be appropriate to Christmas with special Christmas

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music. There will be a Christmas story for the children. Miss Ruth Wheeler, in charge of club work at the Frances Willard Settlement House, Boston, is spend-ing Christmas with her uncle, Frank H. Wheeler, and family.

Miss Agnes Holden is spending the holidays with her brother Granville, and family, in Concord.

# BOXBOROUGH

State Grange meeting at Springfield last week.

he four schools last week Friday, and now is the holiday vacation time. Mrs. B. O. Hager of Clinton spent the day last Saturday with her sister,

drs. B. C. Steele. Mrs. Mabel Robinson's youngest child, Clayton, has been sick with tonsilitis and bronchitis, but is better. B. C. Steele returned Tuesday from

Nova Scotia.

Church Notes The church school voted last Sunto hold the school session followthree months.

Beginning Sunday morning, the service of the church will be held at 10.45. Church school at twelve. The school has voted to give the Cleveland, Ohio: Miss money in the birthday box to help on

sions and benevolence. The annual church business meeting with election of officers will be held on the second Wednesday in January. It is proposed to have a supper served on that day, and Prof. Dawber of Boston university

and 6, drill. "Christmas pudding and held the annual meeting. After ance." 7th and 8th grades; "Darn-reports and routine business, the folowing officers were elected: Mrs. Morse, junior lookout. It is proposed change the day of meeting to school in Springfield for the Thursday instead of Wednesday, and on the second Thursday in January sewing meeting and program wil

> The Ladies' Aid held a fine overer supper last week Friday evening Committee, Mrs. W. H. Furbush, Mrs Ada Durkee and Mrs. Eva Davidson For the entertainment Mr. Madigar of South Acton played the harmonica and guitar very acceptably and sang solos. Mrs. George W. Burrows gave a reading about Roosevelt.

> > New Advertisement CARD OF THANKS

To our neighbors and all other riends we extend our sincerest thanks or sympathy, many acts of kindness or sympathy, many acts of kindness that following the leath of our beloved mother, and specially for the assistance given and the beautiful floral tributes, all of which we very much appreciate.

The sons and daughters of Mrs. Patrick McNiff. Littleton, Mass., December 22, 1921. STORAGE FOR THE WINTER FOR AN AUTOMOBILE IN PEPPERELL.—Also for Furniture, Terms reasonable. M. A. BANCROFT, River Street, East Pepperell, Mass.

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WANTED—To buy (or rent for the winter months) a Soapstone Stove. State condition and price. Also, medium size Open Front Stove. C. S. WADY, East Pepperell, Mass. 2t16\*

North Middlesex Savings Bank

Annual Meeting The Annual Meeting of the Cor-orators of this Bank will be held at Prescott Burroughs attended the tate Grange preeting at Springfield st week.

Christmas exercises were held at the tate Grange preeting at Springfield st week. GUY B. REMICK, Clerk.

Ayer, December 24, 1921.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of FRANK M. WARREN late of Townsend in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by EYELYN L. WARREN who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executivit therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of January A. D. 1922, at nine o'clock in the forenon to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, or all known persone interested in the elivering a copy of this citation to all known persone interested in the effort of the court. Ayer, December 24, 1921. Court.
Witness, George F, Lawton, Esquire,
First Judge of said Court, this twentysecond day of December in the year
one thousand nine hundred and twen-

# F. M. ESTY, Register. Union Cash Market

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