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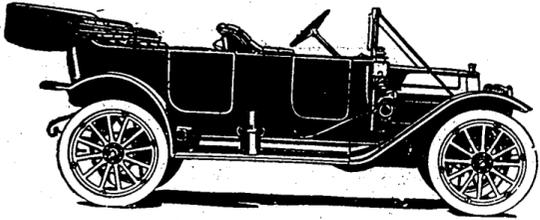
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## HARVARD.

### Bromfield Graduation.

The graduation exercises of the class of 1912, Bromfield school, were held on Wednesday, June 19, at ten o'clock a. m., at town hall. The exercises were very pleasantly arranged and showed taste and originality in arrangement and presentation. The day was ideal and a large number of the townspeople were out to attend. The program given was as follows: Soldiers' chorus; school welcome; Miss Helen E. Whitney; class history; Miss Olive Houghton; essay, "Germany," Miss Elsie F. Knight; Woman suffrage (argumentative), Sarah L. Jones; "I would that my love," the girls' chorus; "How laughter came into the world," an original story, Harriet B. Thayer; "The Panama canal," Ellery E. Royal; class gifts, E. Catherine Hazard; "The magnet and the churn," school chorus; class prophecy, Helen E. Whitney; class will, I. Grossa Webster; farewell, Ellyery E. Royal; graduation farewell, school chorus; presentation of diplomas, by Rev. Henry Barbour; benediction.

The class of 1912 are Helen E. Whitney, first honor; Elsie F. Knight, second honor; I. Grossa Webster, third honor; Olive Houghton, Ellery E. Royal, Harriet B. Thayer, two years at Bromfield, Sarah L. Jones, E. Catherine Hazard, certificate. Class colors, blue and white.

### News Items.

Schools being closed, the different teachers go to their homes in various localities for their summer vacation. Miss Amsden goes to West Brookfield, Miss Nina Parkins to Franklin, N. H., Miss Nora Brooke to Lowell, Miss Ethel Reid at West Pitchburg, Miss Alice Chadwick at West Somerville, and Miss Bernice Sears at Providence, R. I. With the exception of Miss Perkins who accepts a better position with the schools at Malden, the same teachers will resume their school work here next September.

On Wednesday afternoon at the Bromfield school grounds the regular ball team played a ten inning game with the Bromfield school alumni. The game was the best seen this year on the grounds. The teams were evenly matched and in the first, third and ninth innings the score stood tied, 1 to 1, 2 to 2 and 4 to 4, respectively. In the tenth the regulars scored one run thereby defeating the alumni by a score of 5 to 4. Edward Thomas pitched for the Bromfields and Earle Turner for the alumni.

On Thursday by invitation of F. J. Faherty, Wm. J. Kerley attended the commencement exercises at Holy Cross college.

Mrs. Louise Atwood of Worcester spent Wednesday and Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gale.

The new cement walk which Geo. Pollard has had put in is a beauty and a great improvement over the old one.

Gale & Dickson's store was broken into late Saturday evening. Entrance was effected by breaking over the plate glass in the front door. On

Monday two boys were caught in Concord in the attempt of a break there. They later admitted to the Harvard break.

Quincy Bull and daughter, Ruth Bull of Worcester are guests this week with Mrs. H. Emma Whitney.

The engagement of Miss Olive Houghton to Wallace Bryant was announced at the meeting of the Bromfield alumni on Wednesday evening. Congratulations were "coming some" for awhile for this very popular young couple.

Frank O. Ryan has sold his farm on the Ayer road, possession to be given at once. Mr. Ryan has his eye on another farm in town to buy.

On June 15 occurred the death of Mrs. Eliza Woods, widow of the late Lewis Woods of this town. Mrs. Woods has been for several years living with Miss Lucretia Hall at her home in Old Mill. She was ninety-four years of age. Funeral services were from the Baptist church officiated. A quartet, composed of Miss Barnard, Mrs. Cleaves, Mr. West and Mr. Turner, sang, "Nearer my God to thee" and "Abide with me." Members of the W. R. C. took charge of the funeral.

The committee on sports for the Fourth of July announce that silver and bronze medals will be awarded for first and second prizes in the 100 yd. handicap, 50 yd. handicap for ladies, running broad pole vault and hoop race for ladies. Suitable prizes will be awarded to winners of the 100 yd. dash for boys, twelve years and under, obstacle race for ladies, sack race and shot put. All who wish to compete in the various events will hand their names to A. F. Leonard before July 2. Mr. Leonard has also offered the use of the pole and shot to any who may wish to practice. It is hoped that there may be a record entry list this year.

Plans are complete now among the residents of the common to cooperate in the laying of the dust on the common. Messrs. Hildreth have applied the salt mixture at their end and either oil or some like preparation is to be applied to the lower parts of the common.

Rev. George Jones, not being able to be with his church people on Sunday morning, a supply will be sent out from Boston to preach at the regular morning service.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle of the Unitarian church will hold a business and sewing meeting on next Thursday with Mrs. E. P. Watson.

Mrs. Walter H. Whitney, of Somerville, is at her farm here for the summer.

The alumni of Bromfield school held their annual business meeting and banquet at the town hall on Wednesday evening. About eighty were present. The usual good vein of jollity and good will flowed freely throughout the supper hour. After the banquet, and while the guests were seated, the following toasts were proposed and responded to by members: "To the founders of Bromfield,"

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### Still River.

Malcom Campbell has finished two years at Amherst Agricultural college and has now come home to take charge of Mrs. Scales' farm.

Mrs. Clara Brown of South Lancaster was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Wendall B. Willard, over Wednesday night.

Miss Eliza Bateman attended class day exercises at Wellesley Wednesday. On Wednesday, Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Stone, Mrs. Alice Haskell, Mrs. Anna Flanders and Henry R. Harrod attended the funeral of their nephew and cousin, William Stone at Hudson.

Mrs. Eliza Grasse of Leominster has come to make her home with her niece, Miss Mary E. Cumming, at the Houghton homestead.

Miss Emma Raymond of Charlestown spent Sunday and Monday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard D. Stone.

Mrs. Jennie Willard attended her class reunion at the Lawrence academy, Groton, Wednesday.

Miss Elizabeth Sprague has gone to visit friends in Hanover, N. H., expecting to be there for a week or so.

Wm. W. Viles has been quite unwell and his daughter, Mrs. Fanny Haskell, has been looking after the store and postoffice for him, but he is now able to be on duty again.

Miss Marion Campbell is visiting at Mrs. Scales'.

Mrs. Josephine Whitney and friend of Worcester are at her cottage here for a week's stay.

Benj. Priest, road commissioner, is putting on a much-needed lot of gravel on the depot hill road. He is putting it on pretty thick, much to the disgust of the automobilists, who have to plow through it, but while hard to get through now, it is what is needed.

Mrs. Adella Turner has fancy work for sale—will take orders. Look for the sign "Fancy Work" near the village pump.

### BOXBOROUGH.

#### News Items.

Mrs. Charles Knight went to Bedford last Friday and Mr. Knight is packing up the household goods preparatory to an auction on June 28, and Mrs. Knight are going to Maryland.

Mrs. Viets and Miss Waterman visited in Waverly as the guests of Mrs. Frank Dodge recently.

Last week Saturday afternoon was class day at Concord high school and Mrs. Viets, Ruby Viets, Anne Coffey and Mrs. Earl Littlefield attended the exercises.

Grace Cobleigh graduated from Concord high school Wednesday. Apple blossoms were found on the farms of Albert Littlefield and Austin Lawrence this week.

Rev. Mr. Rutan of Maynard preached at the Congregational church last Sunday. He was the guest of F. S. Brick.

Mrs. Florence Hotelling and Miss Abbie Wheeler of Cambridge were the week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Littlefield.

Mrs. R. Y. Nelson spent June 17 at Silver Hill as the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Henry Lawrence.

Mrs. Willis Gooch and two children went to Dedham Wednesday for a few days.

Miss Isabel Barnes of East Boston spent the week-end and holiday at Sunshine farm.

J. Wallace Woodward of Worcester is visiting with Mrs. Bertha Shattuck.

Miss Laura Fitch and Miss Margaret Derby of Dorchester spent the week-end and holiday at Albert Hartwell's.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Parker and their daughter Elizabeth are visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Francis Parker.

Miss Laura Brown has returned from a week spent in Worcester and Attleboro.

Mr. and Mrs. William Raymond of Cambridge were the week-end guests at R. Y. Nelson's.

R. Y. Nelson sold and delivered a forty horse power, five passenger, Oakland touring car to Brooks Parker of West Acton Wednesday.

Arthur W. Nelson took the Charles Woodward family to the graduation exercises in Concord in his automobile Wednesday night. Miss Edith Woodward graduated.

Quincy Hayward was buried at Chelmsford Monday afternoon. Arthur Nelson, Miss Mary Nelson, Mrs. Henry Lawrence and Miss Fannie Wetherbee of West Acton attended the funeral, going by automobile.

A party of girls from Watertown spent the week-end and holiday with Miss Bertha Livermore.

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## WESTFORD.

### Center.

Emory F. Hosmer, boatswain U. S. navy, formerly of Lowell, has been enjoying a few days' visit at the home of his aunt, Mrs. W. M. Wright; also, at the home of his cousin, Mrs. W. J. Merritt. Mr. Hosmer is a furloughed seaman stationed at Asiatic Station, with headquarters at Manila, P. I. For some time he was in command of the U. S. S. Nompotuck on that station. Boatswain Hosmer left on the Battleship Louisiana on the cruise around the world in 1908. Off and on he has been thirteen years on the Asiatic station and in the naval service sixteen years. Although a quiet man, but with the wider vision that extends to travel always gives Mr. Hosmer was a most interesting talker when one was fortunate enough to get him started. He has fully enjoyed a New England June.

Westford Center would like to join right in for honors with the Brookside-Forge Village-Grantville contest for first green peas of the season. M. P. Maloney, gardener for A. J. Abbott, picked on June 13, three quarts of peas with pods well filled out, of the Alaska variety that were planted on April 12. Next!

On Sunday, at the Unitarian church, the annual children's Sunday will take place to which all are cordially invited. The exercises, which are to begin at eleven o'clock, will consist of songs and recitations by the children and violin solos, followed by a christening, after which Mr. Weeks, the pastor, will make appropriate remarks.

Mrs. Thomas Lindsey, of Somerville, who formerly lived at the Brigham farm, sailed on Tuesday for a two-months' stay in England.

Albert W. Woods met with a rather serious accident while going down the Graniteville hill last Saturday evening. Fresh gravel has recently been put on the road, and while going around a curve he struck a stone and was violently thrown. Daniel Maloney, who was with him, found him unconscious when he reached him. He got help from the Blanchard family nearby, and Dr. Sherman was summoned and brought the injured boy home in his auto. Cuts and bruises about the head and a vicious wrench to his neck proved the extent of his injuries, and after resting a day or two he was much better.

Miss Gertrude Hamlin, from Wellesley college, and Miss May Day, from Mt. Holyoke college, are at home for the long vacation.

Mrs. E. J. Whitney, Mrs. C. H. Wright, Miss C. S. Atwood, Miss May Atwood and Miss Edith Walker were among those present at the fiftieth anniversary of the Temperance Union at Ayer on Monday of this week, and report a most enjoyable day.

Mrs. Oscar Anderson and three children have come to Philadelphia to visit relatives during the extensive repairs and alterations on their home.

Miss Ruth Tuttle is at home from her teaching in Winthrop for the long vacation.

William Graves, of Cold Spring farm, is having quite extensive repairs done at the place owned by him at the foot of Graniteville hill, occupied by the Blanchard family. The barn especially has been put in good repair. Warren E. Carlin is in charge of the work.

The monthly missionary meeting of the Congregational church took place on Wednesday afternoon. This session was scheduled at the parsonage, but by invitation and owing to the beauty of the afternoon, adjournment was made to the summer house on the grounds of the neighboring Prescott family. There were twenty present.

Mrs. Amanda T. Fisher and daughters, Misses Clara, Lila and Ruth Fisher, are moving into the large vacant house on Hildreth street owned by Miss Ella Hildreth.

Miss Alice Howard, of Westford and Cotuit, was among those present at the annual meeting of the Massachusetts Library club at the Art museum building in Springfield on Thursday, June 6, and was among the speakers on the discussion of some of the problems of the public library, and the community. There were many excellent addresses and the session was a most valuable one to library workers.

Mr. and Mrs. George C. Lawrence, of Cambridge, were over Sunday guests of their daughter, Miss Edith Lawrence, and Mrs. Lawrence remained for several days for a more extended visit.

H. S. Cowell, principal of Cushing academy, will give the address at the graduating exercises on next Friday morning, his subject being "Education and life." This promises to be a busy and interesting day for many people with the graduating exercises and the annual reunion and banquet at 1.30, and the dance given by the juniors in the evening.

The prospective change in the teaching staff for another year at the academy is much regretted. Principal Coggeshall resigns to go to the Newton Technical high school history department, and Miss Edith Lawrence resigns to go to South Manchester, Conn., where she will teach in the high school history and English being her special branches. She expects to remain in her present position next year.

Much sympathy has been felt by the townspeople for William Pollock and family, who were so unfortunately burned out last Saturday night. A practical manifestation of which has been the gathering of a very substantial sum of money for the family.

### About Town.

Rev. N. S. Hoagland, of Tyngsboro, conducted the services at the Unitarian church last Sunday, taking for his subject "Pay thy vows." This Sunday will be observed as children's day and an interesting program is prepared and an encouraging audience is hoped for.

The West Chelmsford Debating society added vigor and enthusiasm to the village life by a social time with music, games and refreshments on Cameron park last week Friday evening. The old village is more youthful for this evening on the park. Cameron park is the contribution to

village life by Donald Cameron, of Westford, and has been filled up with seats and other easy ways of parking. With pond and boats adjoining it ought to add to the desirability of the village as a vacation resort.

John A. Taylor is home at the Old Oaken Bucket from his teaching at the University of North Dakota, which is first in flax and second in wheat, but dear old New England for vacation days. It is the garden of poet and thinker.

Miss Belle Walker attended the fiftieth anniversary of the Middlesex North-West Temperance Union, held on Monday among others who attended were the Misses Carrie and May Atwood, Mrs. E. J. Whitney, Mrs. Charles H. Wright, the president of the local W. C. T. U. They report hope and enthusiasm.

The Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher family spent last Sunday at Northfield. Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn, a former minister of the Unitarian church, is reported to have bought of Alec Fisher the land on the south side of Cummings road, and more orcharding is likely to be the result, as he already is a successful orchardist on a small farm near Concord, N. H.

William Kelly, who has been enjoying the hospitalities of ill health at the Old Oaken Bucket farm, has returned with his enjoyment to his home in Lowell.

George W. Bussey, of Brookside, who is ill with health for several years, is now falling rapidly, having passed the sitting up point, and only allowed to see a few intimate friends.

The Greig farm have got the busy movement on strawberries and are employing a large amount of young girls in picking. A dozen crates a day or more gives the old farm a well-known business record of keeping in touch with modern progressiveness.

Miss Sarah Richardson, of Brookside, celebrated her ninety-fourth birthday last week Friday. The future looks hopeful for more of these celebrations, which are void of all demonstrations and quiet is the chief quest.

Potatoes were in blossom on June 17, on the farm nestling 'neath the morning shadows of Frances hill.

### Destroyed by Fire.

The farm buildings of William Pollock, situated on Cold Spring road, were totally destroyed by fire about midnight last Saturday. Nearly all the personal property in the house and barn was destroyed, including a valuable farm horse. Mr. Pollock had been to Lowell, returning on the last electric car, and after getting out from the Cold Spring woods a short distance from his buildings, he saw what he thought was the light of a lantern in the barn. It soon proved to be a blaze, and he made haste to secure help and attempt to save the personal property. David Sherman and William Perkins, the close-by neighbors, and the only available help at this critical time, pitched in heroically in an effort to rescue the personal property.

The horse was reached but the flames gained so rapidly and fierce that the rescue had to be abandoned. Fortunately the cows were in the pasture. As only about fifteen minutes elapsed from the time the fire was discovered until everything was consumed, accounts for the small amount of property saved. The origin of the fire is a mystery, and cannot be accounted for on any grounds of carelessness on the part of the family.

Mr. Pollock has the sympathy of the community. He had a small insurance with a Lowell agent. Mr. Pollock and family have moved into the cottage closely occupied by Mr. Pollock's father, Daniel W. Sherman.

Grantville.

The Graniteville White Sox and the Y. M. C. A. Indians played a very interesting game of baseball on the home grounds here last Saturday that was won by the White Sox by the score of 13 to 9. The local club was never headed during the game and won mainly through the clever battery work of Fracknack and Carthy. A large crowd of rooters were on the side lines and cheered their favorites during the game. The White Sox are now in the first position in the Suburban league, and are the youngest club in the league.

Miss Nellie McCullough left here a few days ago for the Hawthorn Inn, Gloucester, where she will spend the summer.

Mrs. Thomas Fisher and Miss Blanche Cranen, of Lowell, were recent visitors here.

Workmen from the Westford Water Company have been busy this week making connections from the main pipe to a large water tank that the Boston and Maine railroad company are erecting near the Graniteville station. This water tank will supply the many freight locomotives with water that run between Lowell and Ayer.

The members of Cameron Circle, C. F. of A., are now making active preparations for their big class initiation that will be held in the very near future.

The people in Westford Center intend to have a big Fourth of July celebration this year and two baseball games between Westford and Graniteville will prove to be one of the great attractions. A street parade will also probably be one of the features.

The grand minstrel show that will be given in Page hall, Ayer, on Wednesday evening, June 28, under the management of Frank Charlton, promises to be a big event. There are about thirty people in the cast and the soloists are of high merit. The show will be up-to-date in every particular, and the entertainment promises to be very pleasing. After the show dancing will be enjoyed, and a late car will run from Ayer to North Chelmsford after the dance. The entire troupe, including ladies and gentlemen in the cast, are from Graniteville.

### Arrange for Picnic.

In St. Catherine's church last Sunday morning, both masses were celebrated by Rev. M. E. Doherty. After the second mass the picnic committee met for a brief time in order to perfect arrangements for the annual parish picnic that will be held at Forge Village on Saturday, June 22. This picnic is to be the very best picnic given by St. Catherine's parish and that is saying a whole lot. The main feature no doubt will be the baseball game between the newly organized Manhattan of Lowell, and the Graniteville team. Both clubs are very strong and will surely put up a fast article of ball. "Pete" Condon, who has done such fine work for the T. R. & T's of North Billerica, will be on the mound for the Lowell club, and the catcher will be Chuck, formerly of the Y. M. C. A. team. The Spinner brothers, "Jack" and "Dick," will do the battery work for Graniteville. The game will start at two o'clock in the afternoon. Aside from the ball game there will be a

band concert by the Industrial School band from North Chelmsford, James P. Larkin, leader.

There will also be many mid-way attractions and on the whole it will be a very enjoyable afternoon. Dancing in the evening to the music of the Colonial orchestra, of Lowell, in Abbott hall.

### Forge Village.

Mrs. Cross and Mrs. Isabel Carney, of Groton, visited the young ladies of St. Andrew's mission in Recreation hall on last Monday evening and a most pleasant time was enjoyed. Cake and lemonade was served by Mrs. Cross. These ladies have taken a great interest in the young ladies here during the past winter and had with regret that their last evening with them has come to a close. Both Mrs. Cross and Miss Carney were presented with a bouquet of beautiful flowers as a mark of appreciation. The interest in the young people of the mission, Mrs. Cross is to leave for New York with her husband at the close of the school year.

The annual picnic of St. Andrew's mission will be held at Sandy pond on June 22. A list of sports, music and games will be held and it is hoped that a large number will be present and enjoy a fine day's outing.

Daniel Sullivan, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Sullivan, has returned from St. John's hospital, where he underwent an operation for appendicitis four weeks ago.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Burnett attended the reunion of the Lowell high school alumni on Friday evening. Mrs. Burnett graduated with the class of 1911.

Miles Collins left this week for Philadelphia, Pa., on a business trip.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carmichael recently entertained Mr. and Mrs. Alval Bicknell, of Somerville.

The sympathy of the village friends is extended to the bereaved family and relatives of Mrs. Josephine McCabe Quigley, of North Chelmsford, who died at St. Elizabeth's hospital, Boston, on Saturday. She was well liked by all who had the pleasure of knowing her.

Children's day will be observed at St. Andrew's mission on Sunday. Services will be held at 4.30 in the afternoon. Special music will be sung by the vested choir. An unusually fine program has been arranged for the children.

Miss Roxie Bennett and Andrew Kavanagh, of Worcester, were guests of Miss Bennett's grandfather, Alvin Bennett, and Mrs. H. E. Randall on Saturday and Sunday. The trip was made by automobile.

### DUNSTABLE.

The graduation exercises of the school were held in the town hall on Friday afternoon of last week when a full house gave close attention to the efforts of the graduates and others. A flower drill by the graduates, recitations and essays by graduating classes. Supt. Paul presented the diplomas. Ninth grade graduates follow: Raymond Connolly, Mabel Lund, Bertha Tully, Alice Goldwater, and others. The exercises were presided over by Superintendent Willard Goldthwaite. In the evening a large number gathered for a social dance. On Saturday the school children enjoyed a picnic at Massapoag pond.

Rev. B. H. Weston occupied the pulpit as usual on Sunday. Miss Marion Weston is to sail on Thursday for a trip abroad. Miss Weston has filled an important position at the Normal school in Providence, R. I., the past two years.

Mrs. Bogart had a house full of guests on Monday.

### LITTLETON.

Joint Meeting.

The skates on Monday morning promised a great evening for the annual field day of the Woman's club and the Historical society. A comparatively small number of people gathered in town hall park in the afternoon and were comfortably seated, listening to the program as announced by the retiring president, Mrs. Mattie K. Priest, when the rain drops began to fall more and more rapidly, making an adjournment to the upper hall advisable. The high school sopranos read papers relating to town history, which were replete with interesting facts and well arranged and presented. The pupils and their subjects follow:

The George Lawrence house, Arria Stone, the Old States quarantine, Evelyn Kimball; the Charles P. Hartwell estate, Warren Hartwell; former modes of travel, Arthur Roberts; the Emroy Whitcomb place, Lillian Robinson; the Sanderson homestead, Olive Thacher.

The above-named compositions were neatly bound in book form and Serena Hall of the sophomore class presented the volume to the Historical society. President Joseph A. Thayer accepted the book, thanking the pupils and their teacher, Miss Mitchell, under whose guidance and instruction the work had been done, complimenting both class and teacher for this valuable addition to the society.

A very pleasant innovation was the singing by the sophomore of an ode to the Historical society written by Warren Hartwell, Arria Stone and Evelyn Kimball and sung to the tune of "Auld Lang Syne." Mr. Harwood, in behalf of the society, acknowledged the receipt of books containing local W. C. T. U. and Loyal Legion records, also a volume containing "Annals of Lowell." He then called upon Frank B. Priest to address the audience.

Mr. Priest related interesting experiences connected with his visits to the Ezra Kendall house in Sterling from which he collected many pieces of ancient furniture, old china and other treasured relics, a year ago and brought to his home in Littleton. The rest of his remarks were devoted to a discussion of the name Littleton, which he believes was not named for Littleton as tradition would have it and the advisability of returning to the original "Nashabab" of Indian days.

The meeting closed with the singing of "America" by the audience. The hospitality committee, Mrs. Anna Brown and Mrs. Mary Thacher, then served refreshing lemonade and cake, and the company enjoyed a half-hour social.

### Canata.

The Dow Choral society, Miss Ida E. Dow, director, Miss Gladys L. Gordon pianist, gave a canata, "The rose maiden," by F. H. Cowen, in Huntington Chambers hall, on Monday evening, June 10. The soloists were Miss Mabel Anspach, soprano, Mrs.



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Louisa Bergeon, contralto, George Dane, baritone, Frank C. Cummings, tenor. The cantata was preceded by a mixed program of songs and piano music and was opened with a piano duet, four movements, from the Haydn Symphony No. 1, played by Misses Gracyn Needham and Marian Prouty, of Littleton, with splendid style and technique. Enough cannot be said of the solo rendered by Master Norman Bonnell, the brilliance of his chromatic runs, trills and cadenzas would compare with an older professional. He gives promise of making a fine piano virtuoso.

Misses Edna Hartwell, of Littleton, and Rebecca Millett played a piano duet which was a pleasing number. Miss Madelin Millett rendered two solos in fine style and showed wonderful technique and skill at the piano.

Many Littleton people were present including Mrs. Gardner Prouty, Mrs. David Millett and others. Carlton Needham and Herbert Prouty acted as ushers.

This is the third annual recital and was the greatest success of any concert ever given by the Dow Choral Society. Much credit is due Miss Mabel Anspach, soprano soloist, who has a beautiful soprano voice of broad range and sweet quality. She is well known in Littleton musical circles. Miss Gladys Gordon, as accompanist, the greatest of praise. The chorus was also accompanied by Dietzes Festival orchestra, which added greatly to the effects of the work.

Much credit is due Miss Dow as director, as her work with chorus soloists and orchestra testified. She is fast coming forward as one of Boston's prominent choral conductors. Miss Dow and Miss Gordon were presented with beautiful bouquets of roses from the society after the concert.

About Town.

A. C. Cummings, a former high school principal here, who has been in Orange for eight years, has been elected principal of the Stevens high school at Claremont, N. H., and will begin his duties there in the fall.

Chester Hartwell and family, of Detroit, Mich., arrived at his father's, J. M. Hartwell, on Sunday afternoon, coming from Boston in their auto.

On Sunday, Mrs. P. S. Whitcomb, her daughter, Mrs. Nellie, and her son, with her son, motor to Northampton to be in attendance at the Smith college this week and witness the graduating exercises, Miss Lucy K. Robbins, a granddaughter and niece receiving her diploma there.

Both the exterior and interior of the Unitarian church have had a thorough renovating. Frank Hibbard cleaned the carpet and cushions with his vacuum cleaning machine. Mrs. Dorsey done the wood work and the men done a fine job in the basement and the outside.

The first of the week Mr. and Mrs. Bowman and little nephew were guests at the Hopkins. Later they were all called to Wakefield to the funeral of an aunt there.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Houghton, of Chicago, have visited at his father's, C. W. Houghton, the past week, and Joie Houghton and wife, of Gardner, was here on Sunday.

Mrs. Amy Wakefield, with Miss Augusta Dewey, have spent the past week in Lexington with Mrs. Nellie Conant Ballard, only sister of Mrs. Wakefield.

During the past week Mrs. W. C. Brown has been visiting friends of her childhood home at Wolfboro, N. H.

Over last Sunday and during the past week, Miss Lucy Houghton has been in attendance at the Wheaton seminary graduating exercises, where she graduated last year.

At the Unitarian church, the first Sunday in July will be pond Lily, or children's Sunday, with baptism. The first Sunday in August will be a union of all the churches with a union communion service at the Unitarian church.

The baccalaureate sermon to the high school will be given by Rev. O. J. Fairfield in the Unitarian church on Sunday evening at seven o'clock.

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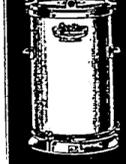
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### AUCTIONS.

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Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell by public auction the personal property belonging to David Farquhar, of Littleton. The sale will be held on Saturday morning, June 29, at 10.15 o'clock.

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SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Austin Fish, son of Mrs. Edward E. Edgerton, started last week Friday for Buffalo, where he will attend school.

Miss Lena and Myra Credit are spending a three-weeks' vacation with relatives at Holyoke.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening.

Mrs. Joseph E. Tremblay returned home from the Clinton hospital last Sunday and is steadily improving every day.

A baby boy was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur H. Bassett last Sunday.

About a score of the younger members of the C. E. society of the Congregational church attended the E. meeting at the Congregational church at Ayer last Sunday evening.

Miss Etta Gately, of Boston, spent over Sunday with relatives in town.

Miss Rena Churchill spent over Sunday in Boston.

Miss Inez McMurray spent over Sunday in Haverhill.

Libertina Kolowrat, of Littleton, spent over Sunday with Miss Emma Knowles.

Miss Arline Wilbur, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Wilbur, who is a member of the junior class of Cushing academy, was one of the characters in the play, "The twig of thorn," presented at the academy on Monday evening by the junior class.

A large audience was in attendance and the parts were well taken.

Joseph Malone, fourteen years of age, was taken to the Leominster hospital and operated upon on Wednesday for appendicitis.

Miss Arline Wilbur, of Cushing academy, has arrived home for the summer vacation.

Miss Mildred Tilden, of Smith's college, has arrived home for the summer vacation.

The J. P. Tolman family, of New- ton, expect to open their summer home in Shirley this week.

Mrs. John M. Leopold has improved to such an extent that she expects to leave the Leominster hospital on Sunday, and will go direct to Greenfield to spend her convalescing period with friends.

The annual business meeting of the Shirley Cornet band was held Tuesday evening in the engine hall at the close of rehearsal. The following officers were re-elected: Fred Sleeper, pres. and man.; Joseph Davis, leader; Ezekiel Wilson, sec.; Harry Collier, treas.

Held Second Meeting.

The second meeting in the interest of the Fourth of July celebration was held in the engine hall on Wednesday evening, the chairman, Dr. T. E. Lilly, presiding. Much enthusiasm was shown by the parade committee. The prizes for the parade were decided as follows: Best float, \$10; second, \$5; best decorated auto, \$10; second, \$5; horrible prize, \$10; second, \$5; third, \$3; fourth, \$1. Sports—100 yd. dash for men, \$2; second, \$1; 100 yd. dash for boys, \$2; second, \$1; 3-legged race for boys, 15 years or under, \$2; second, \$1; 3-legged race for men, \$2; second, \$1; 50 yd. dash for boys, \$1.50; second, 75c; sack race for boys, \$1.50; second, 75c; egg race for girls, \$1; second, 75c.

It was decided to have programs printed. The music will consist of the Shirley Cornet band and the Boys' Brass band from the Industrial school. Walter Knowles and Albert Annis were added to the parade committee. A good game of baseball will also be played by the Shirley baseball team and an out-of-town team. The next meeting will be held on Wednesday evening in the engine hall at eight o'clock.

Graduation Exercises.

The graduation exercises of the Shirley grammar school was held in the grammar school room on Wednesday afternoon. The class motto, "Knowledge is power," was set in the class colors, blue and gold, with a white background. The schoolroom was prettily decorated with roses, mountain laurel and wild flowers. A large number of visitors were present.

The program, as follows, was given very ably under the direction of the teacher, Miss Margaret J. McMillan: Words of welcome, Thomas C. Burdell; song, "Trip along bright feet of May," school; class history, Agnes Lynch; reading, "The fall of Quebec," Edward Lilly; essay, "Flower legends," Ruth S. Knowles; song, "Ave Maria," school; essay, "Sarah Stevenson; class prophecy, Hazel Harris; essay, "How Shirley could be improved," Anna F. Lougee; song, "The blacksmith," school; advice to seventh grade, Sarah S. Stevenson; essay, "The battle of Bunker Hill," Chester Hooper; class will, Edna E. Holden; presentation of diplomas, Dr. Thomas E. Lilly; class song, composed by Ruth E. Day; remarks, F. C. Johnson, superintendent of schools; benediction, Rev. Allen A. Brodson.

The following is the list of graduates: Agnes Hazel Lynch, Ruth Simpson Knowles, Sarah Sloane Stevenson, Hazel Isabella Harris, Anna Frances Levesque, Edna Evelyn Holden, Ruth Edna Day, Chester Hooper, Lester George Holden, Thomas Christopher Burrill, Edward Lilly. This is the first time in twelve years that diplomas have been given to the graduates of the grammar school. The programs were very neatly executed by one of the graduates, Lester G. Holden.

Center.

Miss Alma Fornier, a sister of Mrs. Manuel Chevreton and her friend, Miss Agnes Reeves, both of Leominster, spent the week-end with Mrs. Chevreton.

The Center primary and grammar schools closed on Friday for the long summer vacation. The members of the graduation class were as follows: Arthur Crowe, Elmer Wilkins, Gladys Leahy, Madelon Kemp, Percy Farnsworth and Everett Buxton.

Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur, who have been staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Casteel for several weeks, have moved into the tenement above Mr. Casteel's grocery store.

The following announcement from the society notes of a recent issue of the Boston Post, concerning Miss Edith Nichols, the well-known singer, should prove of interest to her many friends in Shirley: "From Cambridge comes the announcement of the engagement of Miss Edith Sterling Nichols, of Ithaca, N. Y., to Irving S. Underhill, of Buffalo, N. Y. Miss Nichols is the sister of Professor and Mrs. James Sturgis Pray, of Cambridge, who make the announcement."

Arthur R. Holden has completed his sophomore year at Middlebury college and has returned to the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holden, for the summer vacation.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Bridgman and daughter, Harriet, and Miss Edith Locke, attended the graduation of Mrs. Bridgman's sister, Miss Elizabeth Bryant, at Wellesley this week. Miss Bryant has been very successful in her college career, receiving honors in all of her courses.

Mrs. D. Fred Carlin and daughters Carrie and Elsie moved this week from their house at the North to Ayer.

Benjamin Slater, of Rochester, N. Y., a student at Cornell, was a guest of Miss Alison B. Winslow on Friday and Saturday of last week.

Miss Thelma Little, of Revere, was a guest of Miss Dora Burnham at her home at Woodville over the week-end.

Mrs. Frank L. Wood and sons Hamilton and Phillip have gone to Hampton Beach to spend the greater part of the summer.

Robert H. J. Holden attended class day at Harvard university on Tuesday and the Harvard-Yale baseball game on Wednesday.

Misses Margaret and Mildred Evans attended class day at Harvard university as guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lane, of Cambridge.

Miss Helen Dennison, of Boston, was a guest of Miss Harriet Winslow for several days last week.

Miss Ruth Lawrence, who has been living at the home of Rev. Howard A. Bridgman, and who teaches the Pasture school, has returned to her home in Groton for the summer.

Bert H. J. Holden is at the home of his mother, Mrs. Hattie P. Holden, for the summer vacation, having completed his freshman year at Harvard university.

The dance which was held on Saturday evening for the benefit of the Girls' Sewing Guild, was well attended and proved to be a very pleasant affair. Music for the dancing was furnished by the Arlan orchestra, of West Groton.

Mr. and Mrs. George Wetsell, at the North, are receiving a visit from Mrs. Wetsell's mother.

Miss Helen M. Winslow returned on Monday from Vermont, where she has been attending the Women's club's convention at which she spoke on the subject of "The woman and the law."

Mrs. Von Hesse, of New York city, has opened one of the Mackaye cottages for the summer.

Olive Evans is recovering nicely from the severe cut which she received in her knee last week and is able to go without the splints.

Daniel Andrews is confined to his home at the North with illness, under the care of Dr. C. J. Pierce.

The First Parish Unitarian church will be opened on Sunday, June 23, for the summer services. It is expected that Rev. William W. Locke, who was so much enjoyed last year, will conduct the service on Sunday.

The next regular meeting of the Girls' Sewing Guild will be held on Shirley Common on Saturday afternoon, June 22. At this meeting the annual election of officers will take place.

Mrs. Johnson and son Harry, of Waltham, are spending a few days with Mrs. Johnson's brother, Harry Stone.

Walter Colburn, of Somerville, was a guest of his sister, Mrs. Harry Hodgman, at Woodville this week.

Misses Ednah Samarin, Helen Farwell and Dorothy Miller of Wollaston, are spending a week at the Goodspeed cottage as guests of Miss Margaret Goodspeed.

Harriet Bridgman is spending a few days this week with relatives in Brookline.

Rev. Edward S. Parsons, vice president of Colorado college, and a prominent leader in Colorado, will occupy the pulpit at Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon at 3.15. Mr. Parsons is an old friend of Rev. Howard A. Bridgman and will be a guest at the Bridgman home during his stay here.

Mrs. Steele Mackaye and daughter, Miss Hazel, of Cambridge, have opened their cottage for the summer.

Miss Marie Lewis, of Cambridge, was a guest of Miss Margaret Evans the latter part of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Lane, who had been spending a few days at their cottage here, returned on Friday to their home in Cambridge.

Miss Elsie M. Holden attended the graduation of Miss Lottie Bohannon at Boston university last week.

Rufus Hall, who has been confined to his home with the measles, is able to be out again. His mother, Mrs. Hall, however, is very seriously ill with an abscess in her head caused by a recent attack of the measles. She was moved on Monday by order of Dr. Hopkins, of Ayer, to the Nashua hospital, where she is at present in a serious condition. Her son Rufus left on Tuesday to be with her during her illness.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Goodspeed, of Wollaston, expect to arrive at their cottage next week for the remainder of the summer.

Mrs. Ruth A. Graves, of Lakeville, Nova Scotia, spent Saturday and Sunday with her son, Norman R. Graves. She was accompanied by her son, Rupert Graves, of Boston.

Miss Annie Eastern, of Lynn, is a guest this week of Miss Elsie Kirby.

Rev. Howard A. Bridgman preached the baccalaureate sermon to the senior class at Lawrence academy last Sunday morning.

Horace Harris completed his sophomore year at Massachusetts Institute of Technology last week and is at the home of his father, Clinton Harris, for the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Welcome Longley were guests of Mrs. Sara Longley and S. LeRoy Longley over Monday.

Mrs. Hattie P. Holden will sell the standing grass on her farm on Horsewood road at public auction on Saturday afternoon, June 22. A. A. Fillebrown, of Ayer, will be the auctioneer.

Children's Day.

The annual children's day service was held at Trinity chapel last Sunday afternoon. After a short service the following program of songs and recitations was given by the members of the Sunday school classes: Hymn, "Saw you never in the twilight," by all; recitations, "Children's Day," Clara Buxton; Marlon Bridgman; song, Bessie Ross; "Welcome," Ruth Wetsell; recitation, "Childhood," Arthur Carlson; hymn, "Saviour like a shepherd lead me," by all; merry heart, "End Wildman," Jesus calls the children," Elizabeth Sweetser; song, Eleanor Longley; recitation, George Boutillier; hymn, "Saviour teach me day by day," by all; recitations, "Violets," Alta Graves; "The butterfly," song, Christine G. Longley; recitations, Florence Perkins; "What the flowers say," Olive Harriman; "Nature's book," Mary

Grout; hymn, "Jesus tender shepherd lead me," by all.

Baseball.

Shirley grange won its first baseball game of the season last Saturday from the Lunenburg grange team on the Lunenburg grounds. The Shirley team went up in the air in the third inning, allowing Lunenburg to score nine runs, but from then on played, an excellent game, allowing Lunenburg no more runs and increasing their own score by eleven runs, making a final score of 14 to 9. S. Wells started for the Shirley team, getting the only two-base hit and White getting three singles and three scores out of four times at bat. Har- ley did good work for the Lunenburg team with a total of twelve strikeouts. Lester Holden received rather severe injuries about the face in a collision with T. Evans during the part of the game. His nose was split open, making a severe gash, and requiring the services of a physician.

School Play.

The children of the Center primary and grammar schools presented a short play entitled "Bonny Bell," in which they had on Friday evening. The children carried out their parts remarkably well and with much credit to the teachers, Miss Alma Bowles and Miss Margaret Walsh, for their painstaking efforts to make the affair a success. The stage was finely costumed and the children were decorated with flowers and plants. The several solos and choruses in the play were excellently rendered by the children. Miss Sabine, of Ayer, was the accompanist. Eleanor Longley, as the leading character, carried out her part charmingly. Clyde Graves, as the clown, provoked much laughter by his antics and was heartily applauded.

Alliance Notes.

Six members of the Shirley First Parish Branch Alliance attended the Unitarian North Middlesex conference at the Unitarian church at Pepperell on Thursday last week. Those who attended were Mrs. Kate E. Hazen, Mrs. Mary Tucker, Miss Agnes Holden, Dr. Schenk, Mrs. E. J. Stevens and Mrs. Louis Farnsworth.

The regular meeting of the Alliance was held on Friday of last week instead of on Thursday, at account of the conference at Pepperell. The meeting was held with Miss Agnes Holden at the village. The reports of the delegates from the American Unitarian association meeting in Boston were heard at this meeting, but no entertainment program was given.

The next meeting of the Alliance will be held at the home of Mrs. Thomas Hazen at the village. At this meeting the director, Mrs. Tuttle, is expected to be present.

Play.

"The pasture school," which is held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Lawton, and is instructed by Miss Ruth Lawrence, of Groton, closed its session for the summer by presenting a play, "The Quaker gentleman of 1777," before a party of friends and relatives. The play was written and presented by the members of the school. The characters were prettily costumed and the parts were carried out in an excellent manner. The action of the play takes place in the early fall of 1777, three weeks after the battle of the Brandywine, in a village in Eastern Pennsylvania, whose inhabitants are mostly Tory Quakers.

The parts were taken as follows: Nehemiah Grimshaw, a pompous, self-important Quaker, whose loyalty to the king has always been taken for granted by himself. Shirley Lawton, James Newman's son, a lad with ideas of his own. Edwin Bridgman, Alexander Clark, a condescending patriot officer, supposed to be a Tory, a proof of James' opinion. Priscilla Grimshaw, Nehemiah's daughter. Harriet Bridgman.

Grange Notes.

The meeting of Shirley grange on Tuesday evening was devoted to an "Evening with our domestic animals." After a short business meeting the following program was given: Song, "The wild bird," by all; readings, Harry N. Brown. Roll call was answered by the members with anecdotes and short stories about domestic animals. This was followed by readings by Ruth A. Graves, Mrs. Bessie Buxton, William Thompson, Thomas H. Evans, Elsie M. Holden, Mrs. Norman R. Graves. The meeting closed with a song, "The watermill," by all. Thomas H. Evans acted as secretary pro tem in place of Miss Margaret Evans, who was away.

The next meeting of the Matrons' Aid will be held on Tuesday afternoon, June 25, at Holden's hall.

A progressive whist party will be held on Saturday evening, June 22, in Holden's hall for the benefit of the lecturer's fund. Two prizes will be given to the men and two to the ladies. Strawberry college, ice cream and cake will be on sale during the evening. The whist playing will start promptly at eight o'clock and will continue until ten o'clock.

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News Items.

A collision on Wednesday evening of an auto driven by John Allison, of Ayer, and a carriage driven by Jerry Dugan, resulted in damages to both vehicles. E. B. Gerrish was in the auto and the accident occurred just as it was turning in near his residence. Mrs. J. A. Dunphy and others of the family were in Mr. Dugan's carriage. Although considerably frightened nobody was hurt.

The picture of Miss Evelyn Fernald appeared in the Boston Globe on Monday evening with others of New England girls who graduated last week from Vassar.

Born on Thursday, June 18, a daughter to Mr. William McGraith, (Miss Fannie Woods).

A piano which belonged to J. J. Barry, of Ayer, and had been rented to Mrs. Green, wife of an academy instructor, slipped some-how from its moorings on Tuesday as it was being teamed to Ayer, and spent the night on the roadside.

Mr. and Mrs. B. J. Crowley and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams attended the 15th anniversary of the town of Athol, which is named from the Duke of Athol. The celebration was held over Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

The parade of automobiles, carriages, foot passengers, etc., was of great length, taking an hour's time to pass by a certain point. They had a big time at Athol.

Mrs. George Badtman had fresh peas for dinner on Tuesday gathered from their own garden—the first in town so far reported.

Dr. S. A. Green was able to sign the diplomas of the academy graduates this year. Sitting in a chair on the hospital piazza, he looks very comfortable and well, and receives many callers. On Wednesday and Thursday afternoons old friends and associates of the academy officials and former students were among the number who called for a hand shake and his kindly greeting.

Miss Genevieve Hodgeman arrives home this week Saturday, finishing her second year of teaching at the Chester high school.

William H. Boynton is working for a large business house in Boston, where he has a good position.

Mrs. W. F. Wharton is thrown into mourning by the recent death of her husband, Mr. W. F. Wharton.

Dr. Henry Brennan, a dentist, of South Boston, is visiting with his family in his touring car last Sunday and dined at Groton Inn. He called later on his aunt, Mrs. Theresa Cardiff, of Champey street.

William T. Taylor, of Farmers' row, is to have a new house built, the lumber for which is now being hauled to the site which is not far from his present residence. Henry M. Adams is to be the builder.

William A. Woods is the newly elected school committeeman to fill out the unexpired term of Dr. Herbert B. Priest, resigned.

Dr. S. A. Green's house on Main street is undergoing some repairs.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Williams have named their little daughter—Mary.

Mr. Tuttle, of the Massachusetts Historical Rooms, Boston, was here in town last Saturday.

Mrs. Mary W. Roberts, who has been visiting her sister-in-law, Mrs. Woolley, has returned to her home in Waltham.

George I. Crocker and wife recently called on H. W. Mason on board the Idaho at the League Island navy yard. They renewed old school days and acquaintanceship in Groton with much pleasure. Mr. Crocker's brother is one of the Idaho's crew.

The Groton Cornet band will give its first concert of the season from the band stand this Saturday evening. This band has been organized since 1881. Amos L. Ames, manager, and Thomas F. Donahue, jr., has been elected to fill the position. Norman D. Shattuck, now of Leominster, has resigned the position as director, and U. H. Harwood of Ayer, has been elected to the position.

Mrs. Mary Riley, mother of Miss Annie L. Riley, is visiting her son at Fitchburg.

Mr. Miller, with his family, who have lived in different places in town, but lately in Mrs. Kate Donahue's house on Station avenue, left last week some place in Connecticut.

Carl A. P. Lawrence is home from Dartmouth for the summer vacation. It was a disappointment to the former pupils of Rev. Nathan Thompson that he was not able to be present at the Lawrence academy commencement exercises. There were sixteen present to greet him and he was very pleased to see them. He wrote a very affectionate and touching letter, which was read by Frank D. Lewis.

There will be no degree work at the next Groton grange meeting.

The good time "white elephant" meeting of the Brown Leaf club will be held next week Wednesday at the family luncheon on the Nesbit L. Woods place.

The Baptist people have secured the services of Herbert Wright a student at Newton Theological seminary, to preach for them through the month of July and August. He will be in town for the Wednesday evening meetings also.

Mrs. E. H. Harriman was a guest at Groton Inn over the Prize day season of Groton School.

The Reading club holds its annual picnic this Saturday at Whitney's pond. By invitation of Mrs. Frank Lawrence Blood the club will enjoy the accommodations offered by "Poplar Lodge," the L. Blood summer camp at the pond.

The Butler high school alumni association will hold its eighteenth annual social gathering in the town hall Saturday evening, June 29.

Twelfth Time Elected. The annual meeting of the trustees of Lawrence academy was held in the library of the academy immediately after the alumni dinner on June 19. The following resolution was unanimously adopted:

"The trustees of Lawrence academy, in re-electing Dr. Samuel A. Green for the twelfth time to the office of president of the board, express to him their heartfelt satisfaction and gratitude that they are able to exercise this privilege, with their earnest hope that the councils of the board may long continue to be aided and strengthened by the cheerful courage of his precept and example."

During the day and evening trustees and alumni of the academy called on Dr. Green at the Groton hospital where he is convalescing and much improved in health. A testimonial was also sent to Rev. Nathan Thompson who was unable to be present, as was expected.

Fifth Anniversary. Mrs. Mary W. Shattuck attended the fiftieth anniversary of the Middlesex Northwest Temperance union held in the Unitarian church, Ayer, on Monday, and reports a most enthusiastic gathering with some remarkably able speakers. Of the old gave an address on "The saloon" and Mrs. Katherine Lente Stevenson, president of the W. C. T. U., another eloquent one on "The gains of a century, what next?" A young man, Arthur J. Davis, spoke very forcibly on the progress of temperance reform. Mrs. Shattuck is one of the only four remaining original members of this Middlesex Northwest Temperance union. Associated with her, the Groton names of fifty years ago make a honorable list, but now all passed on.

Among them were Rev. Crawford Nightingale, Zara Patch, T. K. Stevens, William Boynton, Willard Torrey, Geo. S. Boutwell, the latter always attending the meetings and showing interest.

Historical Society. There was a good-sized audience at the Groton Historical society on Monday evening. Hon. Levi S. Gould was very interesting, giving first some personal recollections of President Lincoln and his patriotism as shown in connection with the 7-30 U. S. bonds, of which Mr. Gould, then as assistant treasurer, had the handling. These were long and the public was urged as patriotic duty to subscribe in sums from \$50 to \$10,000. Mr. Lincoln would come regularly and with money left over from monthly family expenses, purchase these bonds. Some fifty-dollar bonds, and on every side patriotism was shown in the same way.

The speaker then took up his closing historical sketches of towns in Middlesex county. These towns were in the W's of the alphabetical list, bringing in old towns, such as Watertown, Woburn and others rich in colonial history.

After the speaker had concluded these historical sketches of towns, he spoke of Middlesex county as a whole. There are 2900 counties in the United States. Of these, Middlesex stands eighth in the rank of population, and those exceeding are where large cities are included. It stands eightieth in agricultural value and first in colonial or historical records.

On the conclusion of his address Mr. Gould was given a plause and an address of thanks for the historical series delivered before the society. Refreshments of ice cream, cake and strawberries, with social chat following. This was the closing meeting of the year.

Lawrence Academy Commencement. The exercises of anniversary week began with the baccalaureate sermon Sunday, June 16, by Rev. H. A. Bridgman, D. D. Mr. Bridgman based his remarks on the 14th, 15th and 16th verses of the first chapter of John, and focused his thoughts on these points: "I am debtor," "I am ready," "I am not ashamed." He pointed out many things that we owe to the past and present, the importance of being ready to seize opportunities and in closing said that the gospel had such a history of force and power for good that it showed nobility of thought and purpose to take a start for this higher life and say, "I am not ashamed."

The private pupils of the Gamma Beta society had a public meeting and the program consisted principally of musical selections. Miss Willoughby, a former teacher, gave violin selections at both the baccalaureate service and the meeting of the Gamma Beta society and Miss Clough, a recent graduate of Emerson college of oratory, gave recitations at the Gamma Beta society.

Wednesday, June 19, was commenced at 10:45 the senior class preceded by the other pupils of the school and followed by trustees and teachers entered the First Parish meeting house, while the organist, Frank O'Leary of Boston, played a coronation march by German, then the prepared program was given as follows:

Prayer, Rev. P. H. Cressy; Government control of railroads, Harry W. Wallace, Hopkinton; Antarctic expeditions, David B. Miller, Ludlow, (excused); The United States post-office, Stuart D. Hallagan, Canastota, N. Y.; music—Andante cantabile; Thomas A. Edison, Charles R. Keenan, Lexington; presentation of class members, William D. Wilkes, Haverhill; music—Humoresque; The Acropolis, with vaudeville address, George H. Hammond, Rockville, Conn.; music—March Cortège; presentation of diplomas, Hon. Albert E. Pillsbury, singing school hymn; remarks to graduating class, Prin. Arthur J. Clough; prayer, Rev. Wm. J. Batt.

Principal Clough presented the following prizes: Nathan Thompson memorial prize to George E. Hapwood; Stuart D. Hallagan; Albert E. Pillsbury character prize to William F. Loomis.

At one o'clock the Alumni banquet took place in the academy building. Over one hundred persons sat down to dinner. Prayer was offered by

Rev. Geo. M. Howe. After dinner speeches were made by Eithu G. Loomis, esq., president of the Alumni association and toast master, Rev. Wm. J. Batt, Hon. A. E. Pillsbury, principal, Rev. P. H. Cressy, Mr. Charles Shumway, Waldo Conant and a letter from Rev. Nathan Thompson, who was expected to be present, but detained on account of health, was read by Frank Lewis. The following resolutions were unanimously voted:

"The Alumni of Lawrence academy take this occasion to present to President Samuel A. Green the assurance that nothing but his presence at their annual meeting gives them more pleasure than the news that his health and strength are so far restored as to enable him to return to his native home, where he is now residing. We send with this message of respect and affection, their heartfelt good wishes that years of comfort and happiness may yet remain to their elder brother, now for some time absent from the academy, and devoted friend and filial son of Lawrence academy."

Resolved, that the alumni and friends of Lawrence academy assembled at their annual banquet, have heard with proud interest the message of cheer and good will from their former principal, Rev. Nathan Thompson; while deeply regretting his absence on this occasion they unite in their feeling of love and veneration for him and in the hope that his life may be longed to his family and friends.

At three o'clock a baseball game took place on Shumway field between the present school nine and a nine composed of former pupils and the alumni 3 to 2. The battery for the academy was Palmer and Hamilton, for the alumni, Keady and McKie.

In the evening at eight o'clock Principal and members of the graduating class and their friends at the lower hall.

In the receiving line were Mr. Clough, Mrs. Clough, Mrs. F. L. Blood, Mrs. Wm. Lawrence, Mrs. E. Pillsbury, Miss Perry and Mrs. Green. Music was furnished by Johnson's orchestra and dancing continued until twelve o'clock.

The day was a charming one and all the exercises and the awarding of diplomas and prizes. When the eye catches a familiar name how pleased are the Columbia Law school, New York city, of the Morgan scholarship, we notice that again it is given, and for the third consecutive year, to a Groton young man, Perle S. Fallon. This award extends from July 1, 1912, to June, 1913, when Mr. Fallon graduates.

As he has not yet returned home for his vacation, these few words said by a friend who appreciates his earnestness and grit, his ability in studies and ability to overcome obstacles in the way of getting his chosen profession can do no harm. The scholarships given at Clark enabled him to go to Columbia was a factor in helping him to decide on that law school. The chance to work in the department of research in the library gives him help financially as well as professionally, and he is furthering the example of what a young man may do for himself when he has the necessary determination.

Interesting Letter. Miss Annie L. Gilson has received this very descriptive letter from Mrs. Carrie Hall Putnam recently. Mrs. Putnam lived in the house where Millard Sawyer, master of Groton grange, now lives, and is the oldest daughter of John Sawyer, who owned the place now owned by Nesbit Woods. The Putnams moved from here to Medford, then to Pasadena, Cal., where they owned an extensive poultry ranch. Mrs. Putnam gives a very interesting account of the trip to Sonoma from Pasadena by automobile. Mr. Putnam has taken up a homestead claim. The letter follows:

"Here we are living in Arizona. Mr. Putnam has taken up a 160-acre homestead in the mountains of Santa Cruz county. It is lovely here. This valley is 10,000 feet above sea level and is surrounded by mountains. Santa Rita, Santa Catalina, Huachuca, Santa Rita, Santa Catalina mountains; also, Mr. Baldy is nearly 10,000 feet high. This valley is rich as the valley of the River Nile. It is covered with grass the year round, and has been used for many years as a pasture for cattle. One cattle man has 30,000 head of cattle and the Empire cattle ranch, of Los Angeles, has even more. There are also thousands of horses here too. This is the best time of the year and we are having considerable wind just now, but the air is soft and dry and we have hearty appetites. I have a fine view of the mountains and the out-of-doors and are as brown as Indians. We have a tent 12x24, with a five-foot wall. Mr. Putnam's nephew, Charles Putnam, his wife and little boy, came out here with us and filed on some land a mile away. More than one hundred families have filed in the last five months. People have come from Pasadena, Los Angeles, Montana, Illinois, Massachusetts, Oklahoma, Nevada, California and some of the southern states."

"The Sunday I have met so far are very pleasant. I like them very much. People we had eleven calves, representing six families. We have been here two and a half weeks and one, made an enjoyable stay at a cottage at Sandy pond from Friday evening until Monday morning. Frank Powell, of Lowell, spent Sunday at his home here."

Mr. and Mrs. William Hale and baby, from Carolina, were over Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Bixby. Mr. Bixby later spent a day and evening in Boston with Mr. Hale.

We are glad to report that Charles Bixby, though still confined to the house and veranda, is perceptibly gaining in strength and spirits.

Mrs. A. W. Lamb, with her two oldest children, Barbara and Philip, started on Tuesday morning en route to the home of her parents in New York, where she expects to make a stay of two weeks.

and as the day was hot the oil was running pretty freely. We went down a little grade and a burst of the brake would not work and we went keeplink into the bluff. No one got hurt but we sprung our front axle so badly that the machine kept making circles around to the right, but we managed to get out of the hole and a half-mile back and put up for the night. The hotel was in the middle of a field and they were having a big round-up of cattle, and as there was no garage the machine had to stay out all night. Fred got two rooms for us and hired a cot and slept beside the machine with a loaded gun, as there were about eighteen weary Willies, and we were charged eighty cents for it. Pretty dear beer I thought. We have not bought any since, for that cured me.

We got our axle fixed and went on the next day, making about one hundred miles at 1:30, including a stop to visit a gold mine way. The roads in Arizona are lovely and although we had desert all the way until we got into the grass country. None of it was soft sand, and it was certainly not a desert in the old bloom. The loveliest sight I ever saw, and flowers of all colors. We saw acres of barrel cactus and we took lots of great pictures on the way. We drove over a very high mountain to get into this valley, riding over the same round high road. It was really the loveliest part of the trip. I should love to take the same trip again across Arizona state, for we all enjoyed it very much.

The land here cost less than two dollars per acre, including the cost of government land here that joins us that has just been sold for fifty dollars per acre and has never been broken ploughed. I have planted a lot of flower seeds and already have some asters up. I have quite a lot of cucumbers up getting the third leaf. We went to a dance the other night, ten of us going together in a big wagon, with a hired driver and a hired man. There was a store about nine miles from here and let us have it to dance in. There were about forty couples there. Part of the time we had violin and banjo for music, and when the violinist wanted to dance a fellow played on the harmonica. The women were splendidly dressed, but the men wore mostly light colored silk outing shirts and long trousers without coats or vests. They had a fine time and danced until broad daylight. They had for refreshments home-made cake, and coffee and made us feel at home at four o'clock in the morning.

We are to have a swell time at a society meeting Sunday. I am to play the piano for them. The meeting is to be held at Elgin, about seven miles from here, at the hotel. After the meeting at the hotel, we keep the only ones here who have machines, are to take the ladies for a ride up the valley. We will probably play in the evening and have cake and ice cream.

When we first came here our letters came by mail, but now Uncle Sam has stationed a postoffice at Sonoma, about two and one-half miles from here. The Southern Pacific main line goes right out of our land and the Stock Island is putting their new road right through our valley. We have dug ten feet in our well, but have not reached water yet.

Miss Gilson intends to visit the Putnams in Sonoma this fall and may settle there.

Groton School. The prize day exercises at Groton School on last Saturday came off to the full satisfaction of all concerned. Mr. Peabody extended a hearty welcome to the visitors and spoke very satisfactorily of the past school in the work by the masters and the boys and the remarkable record of the graduates.

The following were the recipients of literary honors. He was followed by President Luther, of Trinity college, of Hartford, whose very appropriate remarks called forth the strictest attention and were very ably delivered. The prizes awarded were those for Latin, Greek, English, French and German.

Following are the graduates: Harold Amory, Alexander Biddle, Francis Boyer, Melburn Grinck, Thomas Cary Curtis, Morris Hadley, John Harper, Allen Frederick Kingman, Seth Low, 2nd; George Hinckley Lyman, Jr., Huntington Lyman, Marcus Morton, Jr., Bennett Sanderson, Philip A. Williams, William Butler Beck Wilson, Louis Cappel Zahner.

West Groton. Mrs. Powers has recently returned from a two-weeks' visit with relatives in Lynn.

E. P. Shores is spending his vacation at the home of his mother in North Vermont.

Mrs. A. L. Harrington returned on Tuesday from a visit of two weeks with her children in Walpole and vicinity.

Coming on Tuesday evening, Mrs. Daniel Donovan, of Gardner, made a short stay with her mother, Mr. and Mrs. Williams, leaving on Wednesday.

Mrs. Marion Hale is visiting in Bennington, N. H.

Mrs. Lawrence Blood, of Groton, visited relatives here on Wednesday.

Mrs. W. V. Bixby entertained her niece, Mrs. Myrtle West, and a friend from Acton on Wednesday.

J. T. Shepley returned recently from a month's stay in Sheldon, Vt.

Rose and Willie Fallon are visiting their sister, Mrs. John Draper, in Bennington, N. H.

Mrs. Everett Small is suffering from a painful injury caused by a severe fall.

Mrs. J. P. Trowbridge, while shopping in Ayer some days ago, fell in a dark hallway, sustaining an injury that will confine her to the bed for some days.



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supper on Thursday evening, June 27. Committee, Mrs. H. Spaulding, chairman, Mrs. E. K. Harrington, Mrs. G. H. Bixby, Mrs. Roy, Mrs. Strain, Mrs. A. L. Harrington. A social in the upper hall will follow the supper. There will also be a short entertainment in charge of the literary committee. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. John Young spent Tuesday and Wednesday in Worcester, where the family will soon make their home.

The exercises held in the grammar schoolroom on Tuesday afternoon, consisting of recitations in the regular work by fifth and sixth grades, and songs and concert recitations by the school, were enjoyed by a good number of parents and friends.

Graduation Exercises Held. On Wednesday evening the grammar schoolroom was filled with an interested audience which listened appreciatively to the following excellent program:

Piano duet, Misses Robinson and Bixby; song, school; concert program, school; recitation, Victor Duquette; song, school; essay, Grace Young; piano solo, Ethel Robinson; recitation, Provost Thompson; song, school; piano duet, Marianne and Victor Duquette; recitation, Marian Parker; essay, Marianne Duquette; piano solo, Ruth Bixby; recitation, Ruth Melish; song, school; essay, Ethel Robinson; recitations, Beatrice Noonan; piano trio, the Misses Bixby, Duquette and Robinson; recitation, George Woolaver; song, school; recitation, Frank Belyea; song, school; recitation, Irving Kenar; piano duet, Misses Bixby and Robinson; song, school.

Remarks were made by Rev. G. M. Howe and Mr. Stephens, of the school board; also, by J. M. Manning, superintendent. All of the work was good, some of it exceptionally so. Diplomas were presented by Mr. Howe to the three eighth graduates, Grace Arlene Young, Marianne Exilda Duquette, Ethel Catherine Robinson.

Ruth Bixby, of the seventh grade, also passed successfully the tests for entrance to high school, but her parents objecting on account of her youth, the diploma was withheld.

L. A. S. Meeting. The last regular meeting of the L. A. society was held with Mrs. E. K. Harrington on Thursday afternoon. With the exception of two, all active members were present.

The president, Mrs. Lamb, was reported out-of-town, and Mrs. Trowbridge III. Four honorary members were present and Mrs. Clifford Bixby and Mrs. G. S. Webber as invited guests. Mrs. G. H. Bixby was elected director in place of Mrs. Young, resigned.

The entertainment consisted of readings by Mrs. Charles Bixby, Mrs. M. E. Williams, Mrs. Clifford Bixby and Rev. J. P. Trowbridge. A bountiful and delicious collation was served by the hostess and a general good time followed. The unusual festivities were held in honor of Mrs. Young, an active member, who is soon to reside in Worcester.

An interesting fact was reported by the secretary, viz.: That since its incorporation six years ago, the society, in addition to its general expenses, janitor fee and sick fund, has paid into the church treasury \$927.

At the close of the business meeting, the vice president, Mrs. F. Spaulding, in behalf of the society, presented Mrs. Young with a beautiful gold crescent set with pearls. By a happy coincidence, the pearls corresponded exactly in number with the givers. Preceding the presentation, Mrs. Spaulding read a few original lines, which will be published next

week, as they are crowded out this week for lack of space.

SHIRLEY. William J. Crommett, high school principal, goes to Friendship, Me., the latter part of the week for the summer, to assist in caring for the boys at Camp Durrell Y. M. C. A.

Ethel May Holden, a graduate of the Shirley high school will take a four-year's course at Simmons college, Boston.

Rachel S. Carpenter, a graduate of the Shirley high school this year will take a four-year's course at Boston university.

Class Day. The high school held class day exercises on Thursday afternoon in their schoolroom. A large number of visitors were present. The decorations consisted of ferns, evergreen, daisies and laurel. The following is the program rendered:

Song, "Call to arms," school salutation, Ora E. Holden; history and statistics, Ethel M. Holden; song, "Lovely appear," school; class will, Gertrude A. Provost; prophesy, Alvena Wheeler; farewell, Rachel S. Carpenter; song, "Hark the awakening call," school.

The graduates are Ora Etta Holden, Rachel Stanley Carpenter, Gertrude Arnes Provost, Alvena Wheeler, Ethel May Holden. The reception and graduation exercises was held in I. O. O. F. hall on Friday evening, June 21.

TOWNSEND. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Farrar were pleasantly surprised at their home on Wednesday evening by members of the Barnea and Dorcas classes of the M. E. church and friends, who gave them a really genuine surprise.

The occasion was the twenty-third anniversary of their marriage and Rev. S. P. Robertson in behalf of the two classes, presented them with a mahogany chair. Refreshments were served during the evening and all had a merry time.

Mrs. Edith Barber Wright, who has been at her parents' home here, returned to her home in Worcester this week, accompanied by her mother and little nephew.

The members of the Septem club had a pleasant reunion at the home of Mrs. George Gates on Wednesday. They enjoyed a splendid dinner and spent the afternoon, which was an ideal one, out upon the lawn.

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**TOWNSEND.**

**Center.**  
Commencing on June 24, the public library will be closed for one week, and all books are called in and a fine of twenty-five cents will be imposed on all books not returned by that date.

Children's Sunday was observed at the Congregational church last Sunday and there was a good attendance. After singing by the Sunday school, Mrs. Florence Sears Wares, of the Trinity M. E. church, of Worcester, addressed the children and gave a very interesting talk which was illustrated by stories. Remarks were also made by the pastor and superintendent.

The Y. M. C. A. team, of Lowell, are to play the Townsend A. A. team on the local grounds this Saturday.

Jack Woolley and sister, of East Cambridge, are at James Woolley's this week.

Mrs. Jennie Wallace enjoyed this week at Brookline, N. H., visiting her aunt, Mrs. Wallace Smith.

Rev. S. P. Robertson addressed the grange at Plalstow, N. H., June 17, upon "The battle of Bunker hill."

Walter F. Rockwood and family visited relatives at Newtonville over Sunday. Miss Gertrude Rockwood drove the party by auto.

Mrs. Louis Shaul, of Syracuse, N. Y., is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank M. Warren.

The two band concerts before this week were on extra cold nights for the time of the year, but were nevertheless enjoyed by a number of people, both in town and from the surrounding towns. It is hoped this week will be a warmer night.

Miss Gertrude Rockwood and Miss Hattie Smith are at home for the summer from Miss Fisher's kindergarten school of Boston. Miss Smith having graduated the past week.

Miss Ethel Rockwood has returned home from Boston, where she has been attending the class reunions at Simmons college.

Mrs. Nillo Woods was operated upon at the Nashua hospital last week Friday and her tonsils were successfully removed. Mrs. T. J. McGuire accompanied her to Nashua.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Cowdry and Mr. and Mrs. Luther Richards are enjoying the celebration at Athol this week and will visit Mr. and Mrs. Ed. Whiting while there.

Wm. Russell entertained a friend, Frank Hurley of Boston this past week.

There were no services at either church last Sunday evening on account of the baculaureate sermon preached to the graduating class at Memorial hall by Rev. S. D. Ringrose. Prayer and scripture reading was offered by Rev. A. L. Struthers and there was also vocal music by Miss Helen Tarbell and Violet McKenzie. The discourse was appreciated by quite a large audience.

Miss Bessie McGuire, Harry Spaulding and Fred Davis of Boston were at their homes over Sunday.

Frank Temple of the training ship Constitution was in town last week. He expects soon to be drafted to some special ship.

The High school won in a ten inning game with Lawrence academy last week Friday by a score of 12-11, which made a good season's wind up for the boys.

**Baseball.**

Townsend A. A. won their second game of this season at the home grounds last Saturday afternoon, defeating strongly Nashua A. A. team, who had come primed for the occasion, to give the Townsend's a shut-out. However, the scales were turned the other way and the home team was happy over a 2 to 0 victory, the game being a closely contested and interesting one to watch. The score board was full of goose eggs until the last of the fourth, when Clarence Morse got his three-bagger, the hit of the game, and was promptly given a chance to come home on Greene's single. Teehan scored the other run in the eighth, coming in on Parker's hit towards third base line.

Knight pitched his first game for the Townsend A. A. and showed that he was certainly in fine trim. He allowed but three hits and fanned eleven of the visitors. Arthur Eastman, who was elected captain just before the game, gave him great support and Keefe and Lacey played their positions in fine shape.

Mulvanity was seen on first base for the visitors instead of in the pitcher's box, and Riley took his place as pitcher. He was aided by his excellent support of his fielders held down the hits placed against him. Two fast double plays, one by each club also added to the afternoon's enjoyment of the game. The following is the score:

TOWNSEND A. A.		NASHUA A. A.	
ab	rb	ab	rb
Lacey 2b	2	0	0
Eastman 1b	2	0	0
Teehan 3b	1	0	0
Morse 2b	1	2	0
Morgan 2b	1	0	0
Swicker 1b	0	0	0
Parker 1b	2	0	0
Greene 2b	1	0	0
Riley 1b	0	0	0
Knight 3b	0	0	0
Totals	29	0	0
Innings	12 3 1 5 6 7 8		
Townsend A. A.	0 0 0 1 0 0 1 8		
Two-base hits: Eastman, Morse, Teehan, Lacey, Morgan, Riley, Swicker, Parker, Greene, Riley, Knight.			
Strike out: by Knight 11, Riley 6, Teehan 3, Lacey 2, Morgan 2, Swicker 1, Parker 1, Greene 1, Riley 1, Knight 1.			
Time, 1 hr. 45m.			

At the meeting of the Brotherhood in the vestry on Sunday afternoon the question of field day to be held on July 4 was discussed and will be brought before the social committee this week. The lesson was conducted by Warren Elliott.

At a recent meeting of the Knights of the White Shield, George Way was elected and crowned knight, and John Eldredge was appointed knight of vigilance in place of Harold Thorpe, who has left town.

Mrs. G. E. Walker and her daughter Una are visiting relatives in Compton Village, N. H.

Edward Patch, who has been enjoying a three-weeks' vacation, returned to Boston on Tuesday, accompanied by William Lyons, of Boston, who has been spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch, of Josselynville.

A ball game was played between the Belgrades and the Fessenden on Farrar's field last Saturday afternoon, resulting in a victory for the Belgrades by a score of 9 to 5. The batteries were Tenney and Tumber, Greely, Hallessy and Miller, and the umpire Hartford.

The public schools closed on Friday for the summer vacation. Miss Sprague returning to her home in Readsboro, Vt. for the season.

Walter E. Wilder supplied the pulpit at Mason, N. H., last Sunday.

All library books must be returned to the reading-room on Saturday afternoon as the public library closes on June 24, to re-open on July 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Pierce, of Brookline, have been entertaining a party of friends over Sunday at the home of Mrs. Pierce's mother, Mrs. House.

Ralph H. Willard is spending a fortnight's vacation from his duties in Boston at the home of his parents on Elm street.

Among the guests in town on June 17, were Mr. and Mrs. S. Leroy Shapleigh, of Somerville, and relatives in town, Mr. and Mrs. Tabbett, of Melrose, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Morgan; Walter E. Bruce, of Boston, with his father, W. Everett Bruce; William Lyons, of Cambridge, and Edward Patch, from Boston, with Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch, of Josselynville.

William Thorpe has gone to Waverley, where he has a position, and his son Harold has taken a situation in Pepperell.

Mrs. Harry Marr has returned from Fitchburg to the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elbridge Haggood.

George Ways, who has been with Mr. and Mrs. Vernal Barber, of Townsend hill, is stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farnsworth.

The party consisting of Fred and Edward Patch, Clarence E. Streeter and Henry B. Hathaway returned on Saturday evening from a two-weeks' vacation spent at Barnet, Vt., where they report a very enjoyable time, in spite of the weather being unfavorable for a very successful fishing trip.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Thompson, who have recently returned from the west, and have been stopping with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thompson, have commenced housekeeping in their house on upper Main street.

A brush fire was discovered last Saturday afternoon on the banks of the river and was promptly extinguished by a few men of the neighborhood without an alarm being sounded. It is supposed to have been set by some children playing with matches, and if it had not been seen at the outset much damage would have been done, as it was very near Winship's buildings and a brisk wind was blowing.

Miss Gertrude Smith, of Harvard, visited her father, Arthur Smith, at Perry W. Sawtelle's on last Sunday.

Miss Ruth McPhee, of Northfield, a former resident here, is stopping with her aunt, Mrs. Carter, of Bayberry hill, and is receiving a hearty welcome from her former friends and schoolmates.

Walter V. Byther, from Beverly, has been a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Ormsby, of Josselynville.

Mrs. Warren Truell and little son from Townsend hill, has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farnsworth.

Mrs. Herman Wood and little daughter Ella, have returned from a visit to friends in Boston and vicinity.

Miss Addie Sanders has come to the White Mountains for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. George Wright and little son have returned to their home in Winthrop, after spending a few days with Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thompson.

At the meeting of the Knights of the White Shield in the vestry on last Sunday, the king, James Kusk, presented and fourteen boys were present who were addressed by Fred A. Patch, who gave them an account of his trip to Vermont. It was voted to camp at Vinton pond if arrangements could be made for a few days next week.

Mrs. Everett Pierce has closed the House cottage on Elm street for a few weeks and with her party of friends have returned to Brookline, Mass.

On Sunday evening Rev. S. D. Ringrose will speak at the children's day exercises in Greenville, N. H., and Charles Norton will conduct the Sunday evening service here.

Thomas Woodman has been on the sick list at his home for a week.

Miss Florence Powers, from New Ipswich, N. H., is at the home of her grandfather, John Powers.

Ernest G. Wilson has been obliged to give up his position in the Warrenton market, as the city did not agree with his health, and he has resumed his position on the provision cart of Robert Bros.

The library will close on June 24, to be re-opened on Saturday afternoon. The reading-room will be kept open during the usual hours of the distribution of books and magazines from the shelves to all who may desire them during the absence of the library books.

A double-header baseball game between the Belgrade nine and the West Townsend Reds was played on Farrar's field on Monday, resulting in a victory for the Belgrade team by the scores of 8 to 2 and 5 to 1.

Miss Ina Wilder, of Josselynville, returned on Sunday afternoon from a few days' visit with friends in Mason, N. H.

Miss Gertrude Wilson has returned from a brief visit with friends in Waltham.

Mrs. Fred J. Tenney visited the Cushing academy commencement at Ashburnham on Tuesday evening and Wednesday.

Dr. Henry B. Boynton and Henry Hathaway attended the annual memorial service of the Canton High School, P. M. I. O. F. at the First Methodist church in Fitchburg on Sunday, and on Monday went to Beverly, where they enjoyed the annual department council and field day of the same order.

The annual outing of the Ladies' Whist club, which was to take the form of a picnic at Pepperell Springs this week Wednesday, was postponed until further notice on account of many of the members attending the graduation exercises at Cushing academy, Ashburnham, a party from here going by auto on Wednesday afternoon, and Mrs. Alexander Reed, whose daughter, Miss Nancy Reed, was one of the graduates has been spending several days there.

Fred Rockwood, from Brookline, N. H., has entered St. Henry's school and is boarding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Manchester, of Josselynville.

Horace Sanders, from New Ipswich, N. H., is employed at Walter Weston's.

Rev. S. D. Ringrose visited Mrs. Munroe, his wife's mother, who has recently undergone a severe operation, at the Worcester hospital on Monday, and reports that she is improving and will soon be able to return to her home in Marlboro.

Mrs. Sarah Hodge spent the weekend with friends in Greenville, N. H.

**LUNENBURG.**

**News Items.**  
On Sunday, June 18, Rev. George R. Moody delivered the baculaureate sermon in the Methodist church. It was a union service and both congregations were well represented. Miss Fannie Graves presided at the organ and singing was led by the Methodist choir. The whole congregation joining. Miss Hazel G. Woodward is the only graduate this year and she will read an essay upon, "The value of music," at the graduation exercises on Friday evening and will receive her diploma from Supt. E. L. Haynes.

Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burrage attended the Athol celebration on Monday and witnessed the great parade. Andrew J. Callum, jr., of the navy is home on a nine days' furlough. All his friends are glad to see Andy again and to know that his health is greatly improved.

Supt. E. L. Haynes has tendered his resignation as superintendent of the school district composed of the towns of Lunenburg, Ashby and Townsend to go into effect July 1, as he has accepted a similar position in Methuen and will remove there very soon after the schools close in this district.

Miss Bessie Nickelson is at home after the close of a successful year of teaching in East Templeton.

Robert W. Harley and Miss Maybell F. Adams were married on Saturday evening, June 1, in East Fitchburg, N. H., where Miss Adams formerly lived. After a few days' wedding trip they returned to Lunenburg and began housekeeping in the nice new cottage which Mr. Harley finished only a few weeks ago on Massachusetts avenue.

Ralph Bickford has bought a lot of land of Augustus Harley on the state road, and intends to build a house upon it this summer.

**BOXBOROUGH.**

**News Items.**  
The personal property and sixty acres of standing grass belonging to the estate of Nahum Littlefield, deceased, late of West Acton, will be sold by public auction on Monday morning, July 1, at 9:30 o'clock. Otis H. Forbush will cry the sale.

**Books loaned to library.**  
The Woman's Educational association of Boston have lent the following books to the library until May 1, 1913:

The forest runner, Altsheier.  
Philippa at Haleson, Brown.  
The life of the child, Mace.  
Recollections of a varied life, Eekleston.  
An admiral's log, Evans.  
Poems, Field.  
Seditions, Harding.  
A circuit rider's wife, Harris.  
The belle of Bowling Green, Barr.  
The ramblers, Day.  
Pictorial log of the battle fleet cruise around the world, Miller.  
American traits, Munsterberg.  
The one good guest, Wood.  
Some musical recollections of fifty years, Hoffman.  
The fairy leeches, Horsfall.  
The secret of Old Thunderhead, Irwin.  
The picturesque St. Lawrence, Johnson.  
The people of Holland, Jungmann.  
The autobiography of a clown, Marcosson.  
Holiday plays, Merington.  
The Phobos, Mitty.  
The gift of the grass, Moore.  
A cadet of the Black Star Line, Paine.  
The lead of honour, Richardson.  
African game trails, Roosevelt.  
The farm book, Smith.  
Mothers and fathers, Tompkins.  
Methods of character training, Trotter.  
From kitchen to garret, Van de Water.  
The old order changeth, White.  
Wonders of the modern railway, Williams.  
A corner in Spain, Wood.  
World's Work, Vols. 19-20.

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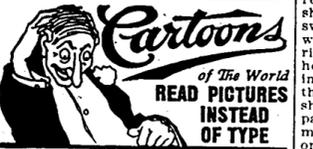
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**BROOKLINE, N. H.**

**Current Events.**  
James Gilson attended the 150th anniversary at Athol, Mass., this week.  
Children's day was observed at the Methodist church on last Sunday, the program given by the children sections was of an interesting nature. Recitations were given by Miss Porter, George Stanley, Ida Hughes, Helen Rockwood, Mabel Porter, Kenneth Porter, Mabel Porter and Edith Hughes, and a song was given by Matilla Bettler and Ida Hughes.  
Rev. Norton S. Beard has been granted a vacation and he started this week for his home in Kansas to visit his parents. Rev. Mr. LaPage, of Boston, will supply the pulpit on Sunday, and after that Rev. Mr. Scott, of Boston will supply until Mr. Beard's return.  
James Gilson, Mrs. C. Gilson and Mrs. Sarah Shattuck will spend Sunday at Townsend as guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Brown, it being Mrs. Brown's birthday anniversary, and she will entertain a family party.  
Some evil disposed person sometime between last Saturday night and Sunday noon stabbed a horse owned by Patrick J. O'Connell while he was in the barn at the icehouse plant. Dr. Davis was called as soon as the deed was discovered and a bad wound made by a dirk knife.  
On Wednesday evening of last week Mrs. Lucretia Martin presented 108 specimens of wild flowers and all were labeled with her name, and as a matter of course she won the prize. A conundrum supper was a unique feature of the evening and caused much sport.  
It is expected that Rev. F. D. Sargent will give an address to the I. O. O. F. at Townsend on Sunday.  
The next Pomona meeting will be with Brookline glorie in September. The Misses Florence and Bertha Sargent, of Putnam, Conn. were at their cottage a few days last week.

**Death.**  
Mrs. Mary Kline Corey, widow of the late Albert Corey, passed away on Friday, June 14, at Lunenburg, Mass., of malignant cancer, at the age of 65 years, 5 months and a few months ago she decided to go to a private sanatorium at Lunenburg, where she had every attention that could be given her from doctor, nurse and friends. She was a great sufferer.  
Mrs. Kline Corey came here in her younger days from her native home in New York state as a teacher in our public schools here. She married the late Albert Corey, and has spent her married life in this village. She has long been a member of the Methodist church and ever interested in its work. She has also been a member of the Loyal Workers, attending until her health would not permit.  
Husband, mother, father, brother and sisters all have passed on before her and she was alone. Those surviving her are two nephews, John Kline, of Leominster, and Morton Kline, of Fitchburg, Mass., and two nieces, Mrs. Mary Pingree, of Fitchburg, and Mrs. Cora Seaver, of Hillsboro, N. H. Her many friends will miss her, but cannot wish her back after witnessing her sufferings.  
The funeral service was at the Methodist church in this town on Sunday afternoon, June 16, at three o'clock. Rev. Norton Beard officiating. The two hymns, "The homeland," and "Rock of ages," were sung by a lady friend of Fitchburg. Garlands and wreaths of beautiful blossoms were in evidence on the dear friends left behind. The bearers were Albert Corey, Walter Corey, John Kline and Morton Kline, the burial taking place in the South cemetery.  
Those present from out-of-town were Mr. and Mrs. John Kline, Leominster; Mr. and Mrs. Morton Kline, Fitchburg; Rev. and Mrs. James N. Seaver, Hillsboro; Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dunbar, Sandown; George Abbott, New York city; Mrs. Fannie Abbott, Sandstead Plains, Canada. Many friends extend their sympathy to the relatives.

**Clipping.**  
We copy the following from the Syracuse Post Standard:  
The funeral of Eldora Beatrice Tarbell, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Tarbell, of Erie street, took place this afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the Geddes Congregational church. Rev. A. P. Maxwell, pastor of the church, and Rev. John Thorpe, of Howells, N. Y., a brother-in-law of Mr. Tarbell, officiating. The bearers were Luther Tarbell, John Wood, Ernest Chadbourne and Henry Chadbourne. The graduating class of Porter school, of which she was a member, attended in a body and contributed a beautiful floral pillow.  
Many beautiful floral emblems, garlands and sprays lent their sweet perfume for the occasion and silently bespoke the love and esteem of many friends.  
Eldora was born at Milford, in January, 1876, and in 1902, she finally came to Brookline, and in 1903 removed to their present home, where she has made many friends by her sweet and lovable disposition. She was taken ill with diphtheria and carried to the City hospital, returning home on May 30, the physicians stating that all danger was past of diphtheria contagion, but in a short time she was taken worse with diphtheria paralysis of respiration and of the muscles of the throat, passing away on June 11, although everything possible was done for her. Although so young she was a great worker in the Sunday school, and was secretary of the Geddes church Junior league and pianist of the same.  
Besides her parents, she leaves five sisters and two brothers—Mrs. Lula Leary, of Fords Store, Md.; Lora, of Indianapolis; Elizabeth, of West Roxbury; Ermina, of Groton; Emily and Harold, of Syracuse, and Luther, of Hollis. Burial was at Syracuse. Many Brookline friends extend their sympathy to the family in their bereavement.

**News Items.**  
Misses Nellie Sawtelle and Mattie Wright, of Boston, spent Sunday at their summer home here.  
Wilbur Daniels was the guest of Mrs. Nancy Daniels over Sunday.  
Mrs. Celia Powers and Mrs. Florence Perrin are at Albany, N. Y., attending the graduation of their nephew, Harley Cook.  
Miss Edith Hobart, of Nashua, has been the guest of her grandmother, Mrs. Rideout, the past week.  
Mrs. Amos Gould has gone to work at the home of Eldorus Shattuck.  
Mr. and Mrs. Fred Farnsworth and family enjoyed an auto trip to Boston on June 17.  
Mrs. Jennie Wallace, of Townsend, is the guest of Mrs. Augusta Smith this week.

**Current Events.**  
The owners and occupants of the following described parcels of real estate situated in Townsend, in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public are hereby notified that the taxes thereon assessed for the year hereinafter specified, according to the list committed to me as collector of taxes for said Townsend by the assessors of taxes, remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land sufficient to satisfy said taxes, with interest and all legal costs and charges, or the whole of said land if no person offers to take an undivided part, will be offered for sale at public auction at the Selectmen's Room, Memorial Hall, in said Townsend, on Monday, July 15, 1912, at two o'clock in the afternoon, for the payment of said taxes with interest, costs and charges thereon, unless the same shall have been previously discharged.

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**Current Events.**  
Mr. Dodge, of Nashua, representative of Boston Globe and Manchester Union, and Photographer Lyman, of Nashua, called at the Worcester place on Friday.  
George C. Cobb has moved his family to Mrs. C. T. Guething's, where they will board for the summer.  
Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Ord were visiting in town over Sunday, visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. Locke and little son Allan.  
William Woodin was a week-end visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woodin.  
Fred Hardy was a visitor in town on Sunday.  
Great preparations are being made for the Worcester family reunion which is to take place in Saturday, June 22, the full of accounts of which will be in next week's issue.  
Archie Colburn and Miss Lizzie Ivester spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Colburn.  
Miss Bess Colburn, of Newton Highland, is at home.  
George Muzzey and daughter Florence were in Groton on Tuesday.  
Mrs. S. Sullivan is spending a few days with her daughter, Mrs. William Saunders.  
Monday being Bunker Hill day, several flags were raised in town.  
Miss Adelaide Colburn is visiting at her grandfather's, Franklin P. Colburn.  
Frank Watson and bride, of Cambridge, Mass., are at the Cranford Inn.  
Mrs. Abram Wentworth went to the hospital on Wednesday to be operated on Thursday.  
Miss Alice Wentworth was home from Dorchester, Mass., on Monday.  
Bert Stimpson has gone back to Needham to continue his work at carpentering.  
Henry Stimpson has gone to work at Milford with his pair of black horses to work on the granite quarry near Federal Hill.  
There are no more cases of scarlet fever. Those affected are convalescing and under strict quarantine.

**Current Events.**  
Following is a description of the Worcester place in Hollis where the grand reunion is to be held on Saturday, June 22.  
"Worcester Place" was founded in 1750, by Rev. Francis Worcester. Through five generations it has descended from father to son. Many noted professional men have gone forth from this home to their various careers in life. Rev. Francis Worcester was succeeded by his son, Capt. Noah Worcester, of revolutionary fame. His oldest son, Rev. Noah Worcester, has been styled the "Apostle of peace," from his great interest in the cause of universal peace.  
Two of Rev. Noah's sons were ministers and they were both succeeded by sons and grandsons who were distinguished in their profession. Capt. Noah's second son, Jesse, succeeded his father on the homestead. The three younger sons, Leonard, Thomas

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