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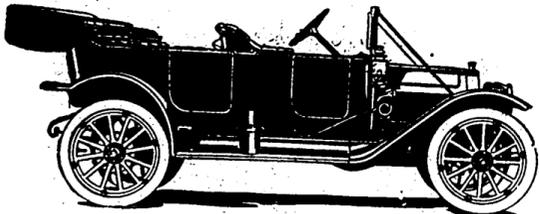
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HARVARD.

News Items.

On Monday last, Mrs. Edgar P. Cleaves went to Milford to attend the annual reunion and big banquet in honor of the fiftieth anniversary of the Graduates association of the high school.

The construction work for the new Harvard Gas and Electric Company has been started and is being rushed with all possible speed so that its completion may be secured within a reasonable period. The pole line from the station of the Ayer Electric Light Company to Harvard has been begun by a force of about twenty men which has already located many of the poles and which will soon have the work in such shape that the wires may be strung and the whole ready for use within a very short period.

There will be a ball game at Bromfield grounds this Saturday afternoon at three o'clock, between the Harvard All Stars and the Littleton Ex-Leaguers and college graduates. It promises to be a hot game.

The committee who have charge of the food sale on Saturday are Mrs. Hattie Whitney, Mrs. Hattie Gale, Mrs. Nell Dickson, Mrs. J. S. Preston, Mrs. A. F. Leonard.

The ladies of the Unitarian church parish will hold a food sale on Saturday afternoon, June 29, in front of the church at 3.30 p. m. A good opportunity to get some genuine home cooked food. The money raised is to be used to defray the expenses of Unitarian choir.

Mrs. F. R. Preston of Somerville has been at the hospital in Boston in a very serious condition following an operation for a tumor. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Preston will be gratified to know that she is at present holding her own and unless new developments arise her recovery will be permanent.

Friends of William Stone of Waltham, who has for several years spent much of his summers with his family at Sheep Island, will be grieved to learn of his death at his home at Waltham last week.

Daniel W. Sheehan, sr., started on Tuesday for a three months' trip to Ireland. Mr. Sheehan is not in the best of health and it is hoped that the rest and recreation will do him good.

Mrs. Henry Hynes of Beebe Plains, Vt., with her two children, is visiting this week with her aunt, Mrs. Roswell C. Davis.

Mrs. D. M. Morris of Pittsburgh, Pa., is visiting with her father, Geo. F. Pollard, at his home here in town for a few weeks.

Mrs. Helen Aldrich, who has been seriously ill with pneumonia, is convalescent.

Miss Viola Myrtle Parker graduated from the Fitchburg normal school this week. She has already secured a school and will teach next year.

Miss Emily E. Hersey starts next Monday for a three months' trip to European countries. This is Miss Hersey's second trip abroad and she has extensive plans laid to see a large portion of the old countries of Europe.

An extension to rural route No. 1 from Harvard has been granted by the postoffice department in effect July 1. By this extension the houses of George Noyler to Daniel Sheehan's and between will be included in the delivery limits. Mails will be delivered about one p. m., except on holidays and Sundays.

In the case of M. McMahon of Waltham when Judge Smith sitting at Clinton handed down a decision for the plaintiff and on the appeal of the town Judge Sanderson at Fitchburg reversed the decision and rendered a verdict for the town, has now been appealed by the counsel for McMahon to the supreme court. The case is listed to be called in September.

The Fourth. The Fourth of July will be celebrated in Harvard this year in a way tended to meet the desires of all the people. Beginning at 12.01 a. m. next Thursday the pent-up Young American spirit will be let loose with the ringing of bells and general bedlam-let-loose. The special police assist in making the affair a success. After peace and harmony is restored the regular officials of the town will take matters in hand and the following program will be carried out:

Morning—At eight, sports, Bromfield grounds, 2.45 and 11.00, baseball. Bromfield grounds: 1.00 band concert, Harvard Common, by Leominster Cadet band.

Afternoon and evening—1.45, entertainment, town hall; 3.00, band concert, Bromfield grounds and baseball, Bromfield grounds; 7.30, band concert, Bromfield grounds; 8.00, fireworks.

General committee—W. H. Fairbank, B. J. Priest, C. H. Haskell, Reuben A. Reed, marshal.

Dance at town hall until twelve.

Sudden Death. The people of this town were shocked to learn of the sudden death of James Ford, which occurred at Clinton hospital on Wednesday morning at one a. m. Mr. Ford had driven to Clinton Tuesday evening and was on his way home when it is thought he was taken with a bad turn and drove into the garage of Louis Howe on the Bolton road. He was found by Mr. Howe in an unconscious condition on the floor beside his team. He was taken at once to Clinton where medical aid was summoned, but he died before any help could be given him.

Dr. Geo. L. Tobey, medical examiner, performed an autopsy and pronounced death due to concussion of the brain. It is supposed that after driving into the garage Mr. Ford lost consciousness and fell from his carriage striking on his head on the floor, as a slight fracture of the skull was found upon examination.

Mr. Ford has been in failing health for several months and has suffered with a heart trouble which is the probable cause of his fall and subsequent death.

James Ford has been a life-long resident of this town, where he is well known as a man of open-heartedness and never-failing kindness to all. His willingness to do an act to accommodate a neighbor or friend, regardless of the time, was remarkable. His love for children was also a feature with him. His falling health and declining years debarred him from hard labor and during the past few years he has been employed as carrier of school children for the town. His work there has been very acceptable. He leaves a wife and three children—William, Joseph and Alice. The consolation of the townspeople is extended to them in their bereavement.

Funeral services were at St. Mary's church at Ayer on Friday morning, June 28. The deceased was fifty-nine years of age.

Sail River. Ernest Farwell of Boston, who as a boy lived in North Lancaster, and attended church in Still River, was the guest of Miss Ethel Parker last week to attend the Bromfield reception at Harvard.

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Mrs. Wood and niece from Yonkers, N. Y., are guests of her sister, Miss Mary E. Cumming.

Miss Katherine Lawrence spent Sunday with her sister, Mrs. Annie M. L. Clark, at Lancaster.

Augustus Hutcherson and Howard Stone went to Bangor, Me., last week with the Masonic commandery of Hudson.

Charles Merrifield is quite unwell and unable to work for awhile.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Vaughn and daughter Viola of Worcester are guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Edwin L. Vaughn, for a week's vacation.

Last Saturday the children of the primary department of the Baptist Sunday school with their teacher, Mrs. Haynes, and some of their friends, had a picnic in the pasture of Luther Willard. A royal good time and plenty to eat was the verdict.

Miss Addie Chase of Clinton was the guest of her cousin, George H. Chase last Friday afternoon.

Miss Edna Robinson returned from Rutherford, N. J., Tuesday, after spending a few weeks with her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Victor Newcomb, of that city.

Warren Harrod of Worcester and Grace Farnsworth of Malden are at their Still River homes for the long vacation from their duties as teachers.

The annual meeting of the Ladies' Mission circle of the Baptist church was held in the chapel Thursday afternoon. After the business of the afternoon was over, Miss Amanda Brown, who is interested in the work of emigrants as they come into the port at Boston, gave an address.

Miss Elizabeth Sprague is visiting friends at Hanover, N. H.

A. H. Bacon and family of Albany, N. Y., are occupying Arthur Turner's cottage, at Bare Hill pond, for their vacation, arriving on Thursday.

Mrs. Clara Brown, housekeeper for W. L. Rowell of South Lancaster, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jennie Willard, recently.

TOWNSEND.

Harbor.

Mr. Batcheler and family have moved out of town.

Miss Margaret O'Connell of Cambridge visited with her cousin, Miss Anna Keefe, June 15, returning to her home June 18.

Miss Anna Keefe entertained a few of her friends Saturday evening, June 15.

Miss Carrie Hager visited home June 15 and returned June 18.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Tamlyn and niece of Boston recently moved to the Harbor. Mr. Tamlyn has taken the position as foreman of Mr. Ball's farm, recently vacated by Wm. Smart.

Mr. and Mrs. Proctor and little son of Needham visited with her mother, Mrs. Strout, June 17. Mr. Strout returned that evening and Mrs. Proctor and little son remained until June 25.

Mrs. Reed of Mason visited with her daughter, Mrs. Harriet Strout, June 17.

Dr. Harriet Lawrence of Boston is at the Old Mansion for a few days.

Mrs. Emma Smith of South Fitchburg, Mrs. Emeline Hazard and N. G. Hazard, of North Leominster, spent the week-end with Frank Langford.

Mrs. Hodson and sons, Richard and Alma, are visiting friends at Westford.

Miss Nellie Andrews is visiting her brother in Groton.

Mrs. Michael Keefe and son David visited her sister at Forge Village last Saturday, returning home Sunday.

Eneas Morgan is home on a vacation.

Misses Melora and Lillian Warner of Winchendon and Worcester respectively, are spending the summer vacation at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Warner.

Miss Myrtle Gray enjoyed a very pleasant auto trip to Raymond, N. H., on Tuesday.

Adney Gray visited relatives at Waltham on Tuesday.

Miss Arline Clarke was the weekend guest of Miss Dorothy Smith at Walnut Grove.

Mrs. Arthur Blood of Gardner spent Sunday with her sister, Miss Emily Lawrence.

Mrs. Slip went to St. John, N. B., on Monday.

Harry F. Knight and his mother, Mrs. Frank Knight, started Tuesday morning on a trip to Maine.

Mrs. Field of Shelburne Falls, who has been with her sister, Mrs. Oliver Proctor, since the first of April, left for home June 18.

Last Saturday, N. G. Proctor met friends from Kentucky at the Hotel Somerset, Boston.

Miss Marlon Dana, instructor in English in the high school at Norwalk, Conn., is spending her vacation at the Old Mansion.

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WESTFORD.

Center.
Mrs. Olive Haven, of Los Angeles, Cal., with her little daughter, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher.

Mrs. Dorothy Sleeper Hartwell and little daughter and son have been in town this last week calling on old friends.

Mrs. Homer M. Seavey was among those present at the marriage of her niece, Miss Marion Louise Mitchell, to Edgar Bryan Donaldson on Wednesday of this week. The wedding was a very pretty home affair at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frederic M. Mitchell, of New-Tonville.

The electric light workmen finished placing the additional electric lights this week, and they are decidedly appreciated, especially in some places on our tree-lined main street.

Misses Edna and Jennie Ferguson had as over Sunday guests, Miss Cooper and Miss Soule, associate teachers and friends.

Conductor Walter Cutter and family have recently moved from the O'Brien cottage at Wilkinson's, corner to the Frank Miller house on Forge Pond road.

Mrs. A. W. Hartford has been confined to her home this week, an unfortunate sufferer with ulcerated teeth.

Since completing the painting of the buildings an attractive new sign has been placed over the piazza at the long established store facing the common. This is the fourth sign which has been placed there. The first, many years ago, read John B. Fletcher; the second one, John B. Fletcher & Son, and later for many years it has read John M. Fletcher. Now this last one is inscribed J. Herbert Fletcher. This has a black background with gilt lettering and measures sixteen feet across. This little chronicle briefly outlines the changes as characteristic in every country town.

Word came to Westford friends this week of the passing of the sweet spirit of Mrs. Sarah Elizabeth Perkins at the home of her son in Grafton. While Mr. Perkins was proprietor of the academy here, Madame Perkins was also a member of the household and made many friends through her gracious personality. She was eighty years of age.

Dr. and Mrs. O. V. Wells have recently returned from a brief holiday in the pleasant Lake Sunapee region in New Hampshire.

At Whitney park last Saturday afternoon the Westford A. A. team defeated the Unions of North Chelmsford with a score of 5 to 0.

There will be games morning and afternoon the Fourth, arrangements for which have not been completed at time of writing, but Graniteville will be one of the opposing teams.

Children's day will be observed Sunday morning at the Congregational church.

An important real estate transfer is being much discussed this week, but at this time no papers have been passed and full confirmation or denial will be given next week.

Among the sick ones, Mrs. Wayland Balch has recently been able to go for an automobile trip to Nashua and back. Mrs. Mary E. Fletcher has been resting quite comfortably these last few days.

Grange.
At the grange on last week Thursday evening the program was in charge of the young people with Benjamin Prescott as chairman. A number hunt had been arranged and Miss Beatrice Sutherland found the fortunate number which brought a prize of a box of candy. Edson G. Boynton was present for the evening and sang most enjoyably. Delicious home-made candies were abundantly distributed and the young people enjoyed dancing after the meeting.

At the business session the committee on securing a drinking fountain were given further time. This committee have had a number of conferences, but need further time.

The next meeting, coming on the evening of the Fourth, it was voted to omit that meeting.

A committee was chosen to consider a celebration for the Fourth. This committee was decidedly well intentioned, but after getting started and under way, it was voted best to abandon the project for this season.

About Town.
Seth W. Banister, right fresh from the studies and fields of Amherst Agricultural college, is home for the summer vacation and will spend part of these days in field demonstrations at the old homestead at the "Banister."

Edward Littlefield, of Fitchburg, has been visiting his aunt and uncle, Miss Belle and Charles E. Walker, at the old homestead that is kept trimmed to make home-coming attractive to those and their friends who have been associated with its social and domestic life.

The old Levi J. Fletcher home at Brookside, now owned by Miss Ella Wright, of Cleveland, is receiving its annual June trimming and pruning, which gives it the appearance of a large modern summer resort. Augustus F. Whidden, of the Oak Hill Nabnasset district, and well-known in landscape layout, is the directing factor with the sickle and shears.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Read have been visiting Misses Carrie and Florence Read at Barre. During their absence, Mr. and Mrs. Edson G. Boynton have had charge of the running gear of the Read farm.

Eleanor Read fell from a bicycle last week and broke her collar bone so that she is unable to wear a collar as it should be worn. Time and physician are making repairs.

John A. Taylor has been attending commencement at Amherst college.

Mrs. J. R. Draper, Miss Lillian and John went this week to Oak Bluffs for two weeks. Miss Lillian will take a secretarial course at Simmons college this summer. John will be at the Vineyard Sound house, Falmouth Heights for the summer, and Mrs. Draper and Lillian will be in Auburn-dale until late in August.

Children's Day Observance.

Children's day at the Unitarian church last Sunday was encouraging in attendance and the character of the exercises. The children were entertaining in song and recitation. At the christening of Esther Fisher, Rev. L. B. Weets adopted a new and original method, one more serviceable to modern life and thought. With little Esther in his arms he gave a wholesome, practical talk from the text, "Except ye be converted and become as little children, ye shall not enter the kingdom of heaven." The emphatic thought was the innocence and purity of childhood. This he urged with persuasion upon mature life, reciting several impressive poetical illustrations.

This new departure is made in harmony with the advice of one of our "put new wine into new bottles." It was more heavily charged with inspiration than the old-time fixture of changeless form. The superintendent of the Sunday school, Harold Hildreth, had charge of the exercises.

Agricultural Field Day.
The State Board of Agriculture held a successful field day last week Friday at the C. J. Hood farm in Tewksbury and Andover. By invitation of George W. Trull, president of Middlesex North and member of the State Board, the members of the State Board, trustees of Middlesex North, and invited guests and speakers of the day assembled at the New American house, Lowell, and after a brief friendly exchange of emotions, took an auto ride by courtesy of President Trull to various points of interests in the city, including Fort Hill park, where the speakers in looking off got a fresh jolt for their afternoon thoughts.

On arriving at the Hood farm a large gathering had assembled. The program of demonstration included: "Tools for the cultivation of the soil," Henry M. Howard, of Newton; "Farming by gasoline," W. L. Dempsey, of Ohio; "Haying tools and machinery," E. F. Richardson, of Mills; "Points in a dairy cow," Prof. Plumly, of Ohio; "Farming with dynamite," by the E. J. DuPont Company.

Forge Village.
Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, of Leominster, formerly vicar of St. Andrew's mission, will preach at the mission on Sunday afternoon at 4.30 o'clock. An altar will be held at this hour until further notice.

Mrs. Joseph Mason and children visited at the home of her father, Henry Catchpole, on Wednesday.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle met in Recreation hall on last week Thursday afternoon. No further meetings will be held until September.

Miss Eva F. Pyne, teacher of the lower primary grade of Cameron school, is ill at her home at Pine Ridge.

The Misses Lillian and Marjorie Rose visited last week at the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Splain.

Mr. and Mrs. John E. Burnett spent Saturday and Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harold Hennessey, of Lowell. On Sunday morning they attended the graduation exercises of St. Patrick's school, held in St. Patrick's church.

Mrs. Joseph Bennett and children are visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Vicars, of Stafford Springs, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carmichael entertained their sister, Mrs. Michael Keefe, and son David, of Townsend Harbor, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hanley, of Marlboro, are visiting their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Hanley.

Mrs. Lucretia Reed is the guest of her daughter, Mrs. Susan Reed, of Lowell.

William Burnett, while at work in the mill of the Abbot Worsted Company, received an injury to his left thumb on Monday morning. Dr. C. A. Blaney, of Westford, is attending him.

The life and drum corps formed in this village some time ago, paraded in uniform for the first time on Wednesday evening. They certainly looked "pretty kippity" in their new suits.

Miss Marion Blodgett played piano solo at the flower recital given by the Lowell Conservatory of Music in Colonial hall, Lowell, on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Brown entertained Saturday and Sunday at their home, Robert Stinson, of Haverhill, Jr., and daughter May, of Worcester.

Miss May Lord is spending her vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. David Lord.

A fire which was quickly extinguished, broke out on Sunday at one o'clock in a shed adjoining the house owned by Edward T. Hanley. The fire department was quickly on the scene, but by that time the flames had been put out. No damage was reported.

Many from this village attended the minstrel show given by Graniteville young folks in Ayer on Wednesday evening.

Edwin Cherry, of New York, is spending a two-weeks' vacation at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Lowther.

Children's day was observed at St. Andrew's mission last Sunday. Recitations by the children and a special music by the vested choir concluded the services.

The annual picnic of the Sunday school of the mission was held last Saturday at Sandy pond. A special car left at 9.45 and returned at 5.15 in the afternoon. The weather was certainly more than could be expected, and the children enjoyed their day's outing immensely. At noon a basket lunch was held, after which the following sports took place: Small boys' race won by Thomas Blodgett; small girls' race, Adelaide Hosmer; second girls' race, Margaret Orr; third girls' race, Lillian Baker; boys' race, Albert Mountain; girls' 2-legged race, Margaret Orr and Alice Hosmer; boys' 1/2 mile race, Edson Blodgett; girls' 1/2 yd. dash, Annie Orr. The cottage and boats of Mr. Pierce were kindly donated for the day.

Graniteville.
James B. Healy has recently recovered from a severe illness and is now able to attend to his usual duties once more.

Cameron Circle, C. F. of A., held a very interesting meeting in their rooms on Tuesday evening with Marla W. C. C. in the chair. Considerable business of importance was transacted and the following officers duly elected for the ensuing term: Maria J. Wall, c. c.; Edith M. Brooks, s. c.; Mary J. Sullivan, rec. sec.; Bridget Healy, fin. sec.; Julia B. Wade, treasurer; Dorett, g. g.; Sophia Kullick, l. g.; Emily McNiff, l. g.; Annie McNiff, o. g.; Margaret McCarthy, 3d year trust; Mrs. Catherine Daley, dep. Many pupils from this village attended the recital given by the pupils

of Charles Sladen in Lowell on last Tuesday evening, the affair being made notable by the excellent singing of Miss Lillian Moran.

Picnic.

The annual picnic of St. Catherine's parish was held at Cameron grove, Forge Village, on last Saturday afternoon under ideal conditions and was a great success socially and financially. The committee in charge had worked well and faithfully under the able leadership of Rev. M. E. Doherty, who had general supervision of the affair, and their efforts were certainly crowned with success.

The main feature from the sporting point of view was the baseball game between the Manhattans of Lowell and the Graniteville team. The locals started off well and had a commanding lead of their opponents, with everything working nicely when "Dick" Spinner, the Graniteville catcher, while at the bat was hit on the head with a pitched ball and was forced to retire from the game. Ledwith went behind the bat, and Manager Heman, who has been out of the game for some time, replaced Ledwith at first base. The sudden change coupled with the conditions and really knew the result of "Dick" Spinner's injuries, unmanned the Graniteville twirler and upset the whole team to such an extent that the Manhattans won handsily by the score of 15 to 15.

Following the baseball game a list of sports were run off that resulted as follows: 100 yd. dash, Ledwith 1st, Nystrom 2d; hop, step and jump, Gaudette 1st, Doherty 2d; broad jump, Bondreau 1st, Riney 2d.

Aside from the baseball game and sports, the Industrial school band of North Chelmsford, James P. Larkin, leader, were in attendance and their fine playing pleased the large crowd present. The cane stand in charge of Joe Wall did a fine business during the afternoon and the "dodger," in charge of Joe Riney, kept things moving lively at all times. Refreshments of all kinds were served during the afternoon and a fine old-fashioned supper was also served under the trees at five o'clock.

The picnic came to an end in the evening with a dance in Abbot hall, music furnished by the Colonial orchestra, of Lowell. Both the picnic and the dance were very well attended and the whole affair reflects great credit on the committees having it in charge.

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To the Board of Selectmen of Ayer, Massachusetts:

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Wherefore it prays that after due notice and hearing as provided by law, it may be granted a location for and permission to erect and maintain poles and wires, together with such sustaining and protecting fixtures as it may find necessary, said poles to be erected substantially in accordance with the plan filed herewith marked Nos. 9 and 10, dated June 19th, 1912.

Your petitioner agrees to reserve space for one cross-arm at a suitable point on said poles for the telephone, fire and police signal wires owned by the town, and used for municipal purposes.

The following are the streets and highways above referred to: Cambridge and Washington Streets. As per plan No. 9 6 poles Oak Street. As per plan No. 10 2 poles

Total 8 poles

By L. WHITCOMB, Superintendent.

Dated this 19th day of June, 1912.

In Board of Selectmen



Ayer, June 24, 1912.

Upon the foregoing petition it is Ordered, That a public hearing be held on Monday, the eighth day of July, 1912, at 8 o'clock P. M. at the Selectmen's Room in Town Hall in said Ayer, at which time and place all persons interested in said petition may appear and will be heard; that the petitioner give notice of the time and place of said hearing by publishing an attested copy of said petition and of this order thereon in Turner's Public Spirit and The Ayer News, newspapers published in said Ayer, at least three days prior thereto; and that the clerk of the board mail written notice of the time and place of said hearing at least seven days prior thereto to all owners of real estate abutting upon that part of the way, along, across or under which the line is to be constructed, as such ownership is determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

FRANK S. PIERCE, JOHN M. MALONEY, Selectmen of Ayer.

A copy of petition and order thereon. Attest: JOHN M. MALONEY, Clerk, Selectmen of Ayer.

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SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Graduation exercises were held at the parochial school on last week Friday. The graduates were Agnes Stebbins, Charles Bodah and Wilfred Quinty. Rev. J. H. Cote presented each graduate with a five-dollar gold piece.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William C. Wolf on Monday morning.

Miss Nellie Casey started on Thursday for the home of her mother, and also brother and sister in Superior, Wis., and will return to Shirley in September.

Mrs. William Adriaene, of Winchester, with little daughter Joy, fourteen months old, spent this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Park, of Center road.

Miss Lena Gately spent the first of the week with her sister in Worcester.

Mrs. Henry O. Dow leaves Shirley the second week in July for Odenburg, N. Y., and will remain in that city until the fall, when she will go to Iowa to make her home permanent with her sister. She will take her little boy Lee, who is now in Springfield, along with her. Her husband, has gone to board at the Brookside. Mrs. Dow is trying to sell all her household goods before departing.

Mrs. Morris E. White, of Bellingham, Wash., who is visiting her sister, Mrs. Louise Livermore, of Chapel street, paid a visit last Sunday at the home of her cousin, Benjamin Stone, of Chelsea, who is now hovering between life and death. Mr. Stone, who is over eighty years of age, engaged in the express business in Chelsea for many years. Mrs. White was accompanied on the trip by her nephew, Eugene N. Livermore.

Last Sunday about five hundred were present at Fort pond, nearly all availing themselves of the advantages of Mr. Snell's grove and bath houses. It is generally conceded that this resort has the finest fresh water beach in Massachusetts. The Unitarian church, of Lancaster, held its annual picnic there on Tuesday, and the Orthodox church, of Leominster Center, held its annual picnic there on Friday of this week.

At the closing exercises of the grammar school held last week Wednesday, the teacher, Miss Margaret J. McMillan, was presented by her pupils with a gold brooch and silver hair pin. Miss McMillan served ice cream and cake to all her scholars, which made the closing hours of school very enjoyable.

Miss Sadie Knowles spent over Sunday with her grandmother at Revere.

Miss Emma Knowles spent over Sunday with Miss Liberta Kolowrath at Littleton.

A practice fire alarm will be sounded on Saturday afternoon, June 29, at two o'clock.

Mr. and Mrs. Willis Conant, of New York, spent a few days the first of the week with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant, making the trip in their automobile.

The members of Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., held their annual outing on Wednesday in Worcester.

The King's Daughters held its last meeting of the season on Wednesday evening with Mrs. A. A. Bronsdon at the parsonage. A splendid supper was served and the evening most enjoyably spent.

A boy at the Industrial school had the ball of his eye fractured on Wednesday morning while at work in the carpenter shop. It was caused by a small fragment of wood from one of the saws striking him square on the left eye. He was taken to the eye infirmary in Boston by Dr. Lilly for treatment. It is feared that he will lose the sight of his eye. His name is J. Moran, and he is eighteen years of age.

Arrangements for the Fourth of July celebration are about completed. The parade will start at eight in the morning from the Village cemetery. The sports will follow the parade on the Ayer road, near the home of Nelson Holden. A band concert will be held in the evening opposite the store of Brockelman Bros. at 7:30 o'clock. The judges for the parade will consist of three gentlemen from out-of-town—one from Fitchburg, one from Leominster, and one from Clinton. It is hoped that the townspeople will co-operate as much as possible with the officers and committees in order that the day's celebration will go down in the annals of Shirley's history as a record breaker.

assistant at the high school goes to her home in Brookfield.

Center.

Miss Marlon Rand, of Wollaston, is a guest of Miss Margaret Goodspeed this week.

Robert J. Evans returned to the home of his mother, Mrs. J. W. Evans, last week for the summer vacation after completing his freshman year at Bowdoin college.

Rev. Edward S. Parsons, of Colorado, conducted the services at Trinity chapel last Sunday afternoon. After the service, Howard Allen Bridgman, infant son of Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Bridgman, was christened.

Mrs. Charles Haywood and sons Wallace and Bradford, and daughter Althea, of Nashua, have been guests of Mrs. Haywood's sister, Mrs. Homer P. Holden.

Miss Turner, of Lancaster, and Miss Pittman, of Salem, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton over the week-end. Miss Turner was president of the graduating class at Simons college this year and Miss Pittman was class secretary.

Miss Florence Adams, an instructor in English literature at Mt. Holyoke college, is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams, for the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton Lovell, of Henniker, N. H., were guests at William E. Barnard's several days this week.

The Matrons' Aid held a very pleasant meeting at the home of Mrs. Homer P. Holden on Tuesday afternoon. The next meeting, on July 9, will be held at the same place.

D. F. Carkins, who has been living at the Ellbridge White house at Woodville, has moved back into his own house at the North.

Robert J. Evans and Robert H. J. Holden attended the twelfth annual meeting of the Fitchburg High School Alumni association at the Fitchburg high school assembly hall on Monday evening. After the meeting the unveiling of the E. A. Hartwell memorial tablet, a present from the alumni of the high school, took place.

Miss Bessie Ross left on Wednesday for Leominster, where she is to spend the summer.

The Shirley grange baseball team will play the Industrial school nine on the latter's grounds on Saturday afternoon at three o'clock. A good game is expected.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Holden, of Ayer, and Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holden, of Leominster, spent Saturday at the S. R. Holden place.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moulton, Mrs. Eliza Hancock and son George, of Lunenburg, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ardie A. Adams last week.

The standing grass on the Henry M. Holden farm will be sold at public auction on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock, in lots to suit the purchasers. A. A. Filibrown, of Ayer, will be auctioneer.

Mrs. James McGreen and son Sherman, and father, J. Ingram Foote, of South Acton, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves this week.

Miss Marlon Longley Holden, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Holden, graduated on Thursday, after a two-years' course at Fitchburg State Normal school. Miss Holden has a position for the coming school year as a teacher in Bellows Falls, Vt.

Miss Adelaide Wiel, of Townsend, spent Friday and Saturday as a guest of Ruth M. Graves.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Fuller are spending a few days at the home of Howard Fuller, on their bridal trip. Mr. Fuller is a graduate of Cornell university, class of 1912. The couple are accompanied by the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank I. Fuller, of Portland, Ore., who have been making an extended automobile tour through the eastern part of the United States.

A very pleasant progressive whist party was held on Saturday evening at Holden's hall for the benefit of the Shirley grange lecturer's fund. Robert J. Evans won the first prize for the men and Amos Farrar received the booby prize. Miss Edith Locke won first prize for the ladies and the booby prize was tied between Mrs. Charles Haywood and Miss Pauline Sweetser. Miss Sweetser receiving it on the draw. After the whist playing, cake, ice cream and strawberries were served and dancing was enjoyed with Mrs. Haywood at the piano.

Miss Annie Bridgman, of Boston, was a guest of Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Bridgman over Sunday.

A new book, "The Pleasuring of Susan Smith," by Miss Helen M. Winslow, author of "Spinster farm," and several other books, appeared this month.

Miss Bessie V. Farnsworth is spending the week with friends in Hartford, Conn.

Miss Alma Marto, of St. Paul, Minn., was a guest of Miss Bessie V. Farnsworth, at the North, last week.

Rev. Edward S. Parsons, of Colorado, with his two sons, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Howard A. Bridgman.

Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Bumpus, of Ayer, arrived on Tuesday for a stay of several weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William E. Barnard.

Ralph Graves, son of Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves, has been confined to his home for several days with illness.

Twelve members of Shirley grange attended the conferring of the third and fourth degrees at Ayer grange last week Thursday evening.

Miss Elsie M. Holden is spending a few days this week with her aunt, Mrs. Charles Haywood, at Nashua.

The auction of the personal property of the late Seth R. Holden on last Saturday was well attended. The sale of the nineteen hives of bees brought some spirited bidding, and netted about fifty dollars for the lot. A copy of the Chandler History of Shirley sold for five dollars. A. A. Filibrown, of Ayer, was auctioneer.

About twenty from the Center and North attended the Junior reception and ball at the village on last week Friday evening. Three members of the graduating class, Rae Stanley Carpenter, Ethel May Holden and Ora Ella Holden, are from the Center.

Mrs. Abigail F. Hall passed away last week at the Nashua hospital as a result of the measles. She was fifty-five years of age, and was a native of New Hampshire. The funeral was held on Sunday and the body was taken to Pleasant Valley, N. H., for burial. She leaves a husband, who lives at Pleasant Valley, and a son, Rufus, who is employed at the

home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Ware. Mrs. Hall came to town in December and has been employed since then as housekeeper at the Ware home. She was a superior woman and was well liked by all who knew her.

Rev. William Ware Locke, of Boston, preached an able sermon in the First Parish church last Sunday. He will be present again on Sunday and preach a patriotic sermon. Miss Allison Winslow will sing the prayer response. Mrs. Mary Banoroff Tucker will preside at the organ, and the service will begin at eleven o'clock.

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PUBLIC HEARING.

Notice is hereby given that the State Board of Charity will give a public hearing at Room 38, State House, Boston, at two P. M., on the 15th day of July, 1912, in the matter of the incorporation of "The Altruistic Club of Shirley," under the provisions of Chapter 125 of the Revised Laws, as amended by Chapter 181 of the Acts of 1910.

STATE BOARD OF CHARITY.
By ROBERT W. KELSO, Secretary.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Townsend National Bank, at Townsend, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, June 14th, 1912.

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts	\$226,449.50
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	100,000.00
Bonds, Securities and Stocks	62,136.63
Banking house, Furniture and fixtures	1,000.00
Due from approved Reserve Agents	28,015.76
Checks and other Cash Items	2,529.17
Notes of other National Banks	4,284.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents	7.90
Legal-tender notes	7,966.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (3 percent of circulation)	14,966.00
Special	5,000.00
Total	\$444,388.96
Liabilities.	
Capital stock paid in	\$100,000.00
Surplus fund	20,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	26,476.59
National Bank Notes outstanding	100,000.00
Due to approved Reserve Agents	10,000.00
Dividends unpaid	9.90
Individual deposits subject to check	177,903.37
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed	10,000.00
Total	\$444,388.96

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss.
I, Henry A. Hill, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
HENRY A. HILL, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 20th day of June, 1912.
E. Alonzo Blood, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest: Clarence Stickney, J. W. Eastman, Chas. E. Stickney, Directors.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank of Ayer, at Ayer, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, June 14, 1912.

Resources.	
Loans and Discounts	\$445,595.54
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured	699.16
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation	20,000.00
U. S. Bonds to secure U. S. Postal Savings	5,000.00
Bonds, Securities and Stocks	105,710.00
Due from approved Reserve Agents	66,194.99
Checks and other Cash Items	27.50
Notes of other National Banks	630.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents	175.15
Legal-tender notes	\$29,316.55
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (3 percent of circulation)	37,516.55
Special	1,000.00
Total	\$682,259.29
Liabilities.	
Capital stock paid in	\$75,000.00
Surplus fund	30,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid	30,901.97
National Bank Notes outstanding	19,000.00
Due to other National Banks	540.55
Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers	1,567.94
Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks	8,222.66
Individual deposits subject to check	4,100.00
Demand certificates of deposit	1,712.26
Cashier's checks outstanding	2,500.00
United States Postal Savings Deposits	1,028.28
Total	\$682,259.29

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss.
I, Chas. A. Normand, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.
CHAS. A. NORMAND, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 25th day of June, 1912.
Warren H. Atwood, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest: Howard B. White, D. W. Fletcher, Thomas L. Hazen, Waldo Spaulding, Oliver K. Pierce, Hobart E. Mead, Directors.

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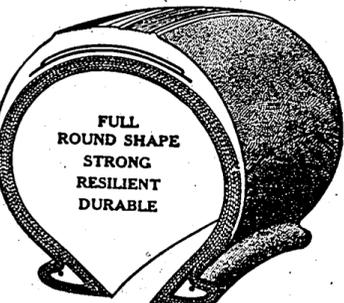
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AYER.

News Items.

George A. Felch, son of Mr. and Mrs. George E. Felch, goes on duty first, as house officer for four months at the south department, Boston City hospital. Mr. Felch expects to graduate next year from Tufts medical school.

Mr. and Mrs. John H. Turner, Mrs. Alice Ball and Miss Elizabeth McCarron and Llewellyn T. Savage took the 4.57 a. m. train for Kennebunk, Me., on Tuesday, and from there they go to Beachwood, Me., for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry A. Brown have been married six-three years; Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Fletcher, fifty-eight years this June, and Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fenner, fifty-four years in November.

Edward S. Dwyer and Myron P. Cole who have been on the jury to call for the past twelve weeks before the superior court, got through Tuesday. Mr. Cole is foreman of the court.

Mr. Cole is foreman of the court. The jury has been at work for some time past has been at work for the Boston and Maine in their car shop at Fitchburg. Wednesday evening all the jurors sitting at this session had supper at Page's restaurant, Lowell, and returned to their homes on Friday.

Dr. Hopkins, Warren Preble, Philip Andrew and C. E. Perrin went on Monday night in the doctor's automobile to Medford and visited Mr. Hermon Page of Medford, where William E. Ober, of Medford, brother-in-law to Dr. Hopkins, received the M. D. degree. The visitors from Ayer assisted in raising the candidate.

Mrs. Nina B. Lovejoy has been honored by being appointed a member of the public health department of the Massachusetts State Federation of Woman's clubs.

The following ladies attended the meeting of the Middlesex County association W. C. on Tuesday at South Framingham: Mrs. Nina B. Lovejoy and Mrs. Lizzie A. Sartell, of Ayer, and Mrs. Abbie J. Wells and Mrs. Ruth E. Phelps, of Shirley.

Mrs. Nina B. Lovejoy was a guest of W. C. No. 5, of Medford, at their outing in Billerica on Wednesday.

Miss Margaret Lahey, of Shabokin, was operated upon Tuesday at the Clinton hospital for appendicitis by Dr. Goodwin, of the hospital, and Dr. Hopkins, of this town.

The union meeting for men to be held on Sunday, June 30, at four o'clock will be addressed by Rev. E. A. Roadman, pastor of the Congregational church, of Chelmsford Center. A graduate of Upper Iowa university and Boston university school of theology, Mr. Roadman has had wide and successful experience in work with men. He also has been actively connected with the Y. M. C. A. movement and is an able speaker. Special music will be furnished and every effort made to provide a pleasing and profitable meeting. Men are cordially invited and urged to be present. Mr. Roadman's subject will be "A question of souls."

Mr. and Mrs. W. C. Parsons celebrated their fourth wedding anniversary on Thursday by making a trip to Bass Point in their auto, spending the day there. Herbert Allen accompanied them.

We have just learned that the missing red auto, about which we have had hundreds of inquiries, is resting at a garage in White River Junction, Vt. We hope this will somewhat allay the general excitement.

Edmund J. Vladish, of Turner's Falls, who bought the Silas N. Stone place opposite the cemetery in April, has put the main house in complete repair and moved into it last week. There is about eight acres of land with the place and well adapted to the poultry business.

Married in Ayer on June 27, by Rev. J. W. Thomas, Fred L. Brown and Miss Emily A. Vatcher, of Mason, N. H.

George Hurley returned on Tuesday from the Grotton hospital where he has been undergoing surgical treatment for injuries to his hands as a result of an accident at the engine house in the railroad yard a few weeks ago.

The annual lawn party of St. Mary's parish will be held on the church grounds on Wednesday evening, July 3.

There were no remonstrants at the hearing on the petition for the electric light company for permission to erect poles on West and West Main streets last Monday evening.

Several members of Ayer Council, K. C. witnessed the working of the third degree under the auspices of Fitchburg Council on Tuesday evening, returning on a special car after the degree work.

Timothy F. McCarthy arrived home on Wednesday afternoon after spending seven weeks in the Clinton hospital. Although not entirely recovered from his illness his condition is good.

Miss Annie Perkins, of Somerville, is the guest of Mrs. Alta Hollis.

George W. Shattuck arrived in town on Wednesday from New Ipswich, N. H., where he has been for several weeks. He will remain in town for about a week.

The stone hitching post in front of Hill's drug store was broken off near the curb stone by the mud guard of an automobile on Monday evening. Strange to say the mud guard was but very slightly damaged.

Miss Edith A. Wright, teacher of grade three of the public schools, has resigned and will teach in Westford, her home town. Miss Beattie G. Hurlburt, of the eighth grade, and Miss Grace Dottridge, of grade five, have also resigned. Miss Hurlburt will go to New Britain, Conn., where she will begin teaching, commencing with the fall term. Miss May Briggs, of this town, will take Miss Dottridge's position.

The new class entering the high school at the beginning of the school year in September numbers thirty-eight members, of which twenty-five are boys and thirteen are girls.

An attractive program of the graduating exercises of the Fitchburg Normal school held on Wednesday, was printed under the direction of George C. Peterson, of this town, who is instructor of printing at the school.

The following young ladies graduated from the State Normal school at Fitchburg on Wednesday, the graduating exercises being held on the afternoon of that day: Miss Dorothy Leonard Bowles, of Ayer; Miss Ruth Josephine Blood, of Grotton; Miss Marion Longley Holden, of Shirley; Misses Bernice Louise Lunt and Gertrude Catherine Sullivan, East Pepperell; Misses Myrtle Parker and Katherine Frances Waters, Harvard.

The third, seventh and eighth grades, the high school and the Mer street primary closed for the summer vacation on Friday of this week. All the other schools closed last week Friday.

Rev. A. L. Bumpus and family went on Tuesday to the home of William E. Barnard at Shirley Center, where they will spend the summer.

An automobile driven by Associate Judge C. A. Batchelder, of the Fitchburg police court, collided with a telegraph pole in that city last Sunday afternoon. Aside from a slight shaking up there were no injuries to the judge or his companions. The automobile was slightly damaged. Judge Batchelder was a former resident of Ayer.

Children's day will be observed at St. Andrew's church at the Sunday school session on Sunday.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter C. Winslow on Sunday, June 23. The child died of convulsions on Monday.

Mrs. Henrietta S. Roe is quite ill. She is in the care of a trained nurse. Remember the entertainment in the Unitarian vestry on Tuesday evening, July 2. Over thirty children and young people will take part. At cream cake and candy.

The Unitarian Sunday school observed children's day in the church last Sunday in place of the morning service. The new flower service was used. This was varied with scriptural quotations. The twenty-third class; the psalms and a biblical alphabet by the school. There were recitations by Dorothy and William Carman, Cecil and Carroll Brough, Proctor, Lawrence, Kenison and Miss Mona Kiltredge. A vocal solo by Sir Galahad was told by the superintendent of the school, and there were brief remarks by Rev. Richmond Plisk. Roses were distributed to the school and the audience by Gladys Porter and Carol Pierce.

The following teachers are at their homes for their summer vacations from the towns given below: Miss Cornelia Downing, West Bridgewater; Miss Helen Griffin, Philipston; Misses Margaret and Elizabeth Sullivan, East Bridgewater and Harrisville, R. I.

Mrs. A. P. Fillebrown returned from Waltham last Saturday where she has been visiting since she left the hospital in Roxbury a few weeks ago.

Word has been received here of the death of Mrs. Sophia J. Webber at the home of her daughter in San Francisco, Cal., on June 12. Mrs. Webber formerly lived here and is a half-sister of Augustus and Francis Lovejoy. She was eighty-four years of age.

Basil J. Curran, of the St. Regis hotel, New York city, is spending this week with his aunt, Mrs. John Walsh.

There is unusual interest being shown in the ball game for July 4, the E-M-F dentist doesn't reach first base. His glass arm is still a hindrance.

The committee on Fourth of July celebration informs us that a loving cup will be given to the winners of the baseball game between the business men and professional men teams on July 4.

The new organ which was presented to the Congregational church by Augustus Lovejoy in memory of his wife will be used for the first time on Thursday evening, July 5, when a recital will be given. The program will be an excellent one and Claude E. Saurier, of Boston, one of the leading organists of the country will play throughout the evening.

A. T. Brough will move into one of the two new houses that George Woods, of Grotton, is building on Oak street when it is ready for occupancy. The other house is ready for the plastering and the other necessary inside work.

These members of Capt. George V. Barrett camp, S. of V., attended the union camp-fire at Townsend on Monday night as guests of the camp at that town: E. E. Sawyer, O. W. Kidder, Hartwell Kidder, J. C. Waverport, Ruel Scruton, W. V. Worth, G. P. Beverly, J. Walker Ward and Rev. A. A. Bronsdon, the latter two being from Shirley. The party went up in two automobiles. All report a very fine time.

At a meeting at the Congregational church last week Friday night, Rev. Frank C. Johnson presiding, it was voted to install an electric motor with cable to pump the organ.

On Saturday, June 22, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Norman E. Beers. Before her marriage, Mrs. Beers was Miss Violet Barrows, and is a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Barrows.

The last of the moving picture shows for the season will be held on this Saturday evening. Poulus Bros., well-known in town, and under whose management the picture shows have been given, wish to thank the people of Ayer and surrounding towns for their attendance to their exhibitions. As these shows were only a side issue of their business, it has been their aim to please their patrons and give them the best and cleanest shows that they could produce. That their efforts were appreciated by the public has been shown by the crowded houses that have attended their shows. As this show is the last of the season, the best pictures that can be obtained will be shown, and a good singer is promised for the singing of three of the latest illustrated songs.

There was a drop in baled hay, not in price, but off the large wagon of the Ayer Ice Company near the Westchester, Nashua and Portland crossing on Friday noon. The bales were piled up high on the wagon and be about half the load fell in the street.

"Patriotism and politics" will be the subject of the sermon by the pastor at the Methodist church at 10.45 on Sunday morning. A song service will be held in the evening. The topic for the evening, the topic for the prayer meeting will be "The last letters of St. Paul."

Baseball. The high school baseball team closed the season with a defeat of the Shirley Industrial school nine at Shirley last Saturday afternoon. The score was 14 to 5, in favor of the school. The Ayer boys had a decided off day and made several costly errors. Donahue, their star pitcher, was touched up for sixteen hits, while the Shirley twirler held down the locals to six bingles.

Shirley obtained the lead in the first inning, which seemed to give them courage and after the fatal error the game was a procession with the Shirley boys always ahead. Donahue and Hurley fielded their positions perfectly, the former making some fine stops of hot ground balls, and

the latter taking everything in sight to find the plate. Hurley's throwing was as good as ever, and the Shirley runners soon found out, and if one of them attempted to steal bases it was not his fault if they were successful.

Destructive Cow Captured. A cow belonging to Samuel Slofki was captured at the home of Frank Rebo on Shirley street on Thursday afternoon. The animal had eaten a sack of traps and was very fat. Chief Beatty was sent for and towed the cow to Whitney's stable, far from the free lunches at the expense of the neighborhood. The cow has been wandering from place to place seeking what it could devour, although it was supposed to be tied at times. The moorings were evidently of the cow very strong as the animal often got away and roamed at will to the neighborhood.

When Slofki learned that his animal was taken in charge by Chief Beatty he became much excited and asked the officer to turn the cow over to him, but the chief promptly and properly refused to grant the request. There have been many complaints about the cow, but the principal one apparently about as much effect on Slofki as a rain drop against solid mortar.

But there is an end to all mortal troubles and the residents of that section of the town will be free for a time at least from the annoyances and damages caused by the animal.

Later Slofki secured possession of the cow by paying Barton H. Allen, warden of the town farm, \$100. Mr. Allen has the distinction of being field driver and pound keeper in addition to his work of conducting the town farm. The cow was placed in his charge by Chief Beatty.

The animal was soon browsing in his old haunts after it was released. In the meantime the complaints against Slofki for his hens and other stock exhibit are still coming in.

Union Sunday School Picnic. Special cars for the union Sunday school picnic at Whalom park on Saturday, June 29, will leave Ayer at ten o'clock in the morning. Should you have a number desire a special car at one o'clock in the afternoon, one will also be provided. In order that there may be ample accommodations for all, the plan to go in charge request all who plan to go to arrive at the store of H. J. Webb as early as time they expect to start. Returning cars will be arranged at different intervals to suit the convenience of all.

Round-trip tickets, good on any car, may be procured for thirty cents at the store of H. J. Webb, of C. H. Hardy, Rev. Richmond Plisk, Rev. A. L. Bumpus, Rev. J. W. Thomas and Rev. Paul M. Hillman.

A baseball game and about fifteen other athletic events were planned for the afternoon. Suitable prizes will be given. It is advisable that all the picnickers lunch together at noon, as will the picnic committees about returning will be started immediately after dinner.

Death. Harlan Edward Morse, son of Mr. and Mrs. F. Morse, died on Sunday morning at the age of 1 year and 17 days, from tubular meningitis, having been taken ill on June 15. Funeral services were held at the L. Bumpus undertaking parlors on Monday afternoon, Rev. A. L. Bumpus officiating. Burial was at Woodlawn cemetery. Brought is a list of flowers that were contributed:

Spray of pinks, father and mother; bouquet of daisies, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Burgess; mountain roses, Mrs. E. F. Bumpus; bouquet of roses, Mrs. J. A. Robbins; bouquet of pinks, Mrs. Arthur Chauvin; spray of pink pinks, Miss Margaret Fleury; roses, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Lincoln; South Merrimack, N. H.; bouquet of white pinks, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Wheeler; pink roses, Mrs. Wheeler; bouquet of pink roses, N. H.; bouquet of roses, Mr. and Mrs. W. J. Gangloff, Milford, N. H.

Real Estate Sales. Edward H. Bliss, the real estate dealer, announces the following recent sales made by him: A. E. French, of Dover, N. H., has just taken possession of the James Barry farm of sixteen acres with new buildings in Shaboken district, Harvard.

Agreements are signed for the sale of Frank O. Ryan's farm of fifty-three acres on the Harvard road to H. T. Webb, of the Harvard road, who will develop the property.

Susan M. and William H. Swartz, of Holyoke, have bought the John Farnsworth home place at Woodsville and will improve it for a permanent home. They take the deed from Mr. Bliss, who bought it at an auction sale recently.

Mr. Bliss has also sold his farm in Harvard where he has been living since last September to Frank O. Ryan, of this town, and will move to Ayer about August first having bought the Rufus Fletcher place of one and one-half acres on East Main street of the Fletcher heirs.

Death. Mrs. Fannie M. (Kinney) McGuane died very suddenly at her home on Pearl street on Monday from the effects of a shock, aged 58 years, 17 months. Her death at this time was a great shock to her friends, although it was known that she was subject to such attacks as the one which resulted in her death.

Mrs. McGuane was born in Woburn and came here to live twenty-two years ago. She leaves her husband, Thomas McGuane, five sons and three daughters—Misses Henrietta, M. W. and Elizabeth A. McGuane; Joseph P., John W., George A., Paul R. and Ralph McGuane.

The funeral mass being said at St. Mary's church by Rev. P. J. Sheedy. The members of the Ladies' Auxiliary, A. O. H., of which the deceased was a member, attended in a body. The class Elizabeth McGuane, a daughter of the deceased, is a member, also attended the funeral as a mark of sympathy for their classmate.

The interment was at St. Mary's cemetery, where Rev. P. J. Sheedy performed the committal service. The bearers were Martin McGuane, Patrick Markham, Thomas McCarthy, Daniel Neylan, William J. Mullin and John Foley. The funeral was largely attended by relatives and friends.

High School Exercises. The graduating exercises of the high school were held in the town hall on Thursday evening before an audience that crowded the hall to the doors. The exercises were given by the graduates and the school principal, Frank Brown, as marshal and occupied seats on the platform, Miss Flora

I. Cole playing the march on the piano. Suspended over the stage was the class motto, "Carpe diem," in letters of gold, and on the walls of the hall were the school flags with the figures '12 upon them. The new tungsten light over the stage made a decided improvement, they giving much better light than the old ones.

The subject of the evening's essays were up-to-date, and the delivery excellent. After the exercises the graduating class formed into line on the floor in front of the stage and held an informal reception to many extending congratulations to them.

The program follows: March Fantasia, Flora I. Cole, Mendelssohn; "The beautiful blue Danube," Strauss; "The influence of shrines," Kathleen M. Hackett; "Lovely appear," Gounod; "The awakening in China," Bartlett; "Come where the fields are beaming," Kinkel; "Girls' chorus," May A. Peterson; "Vocal solo," Mildred A. Sanders; "The lost chord," Sullivan; "Presentation of school diplomas," Hon. George J. Burns; "Speed on," Roeckel; Benediction, Rev. P. J. Sheedy.

Graduates—Pearl May Carley, Kathleen Mary Hill, Margaret Barrett, Helen Wallace Grant Kiltredge, Margaret Markham, Madeline Gertrude Harry Hugh Conner, Irene McGuane, Catherine Conner, Patrick Francis Donahue, Quincey McCollister, May Alice Peterson, Mildred McGuane, Elizabeth Agnes McGuane, Mildred Addie Sanders, general course.

District Court. John J. McInnis, of Townsend, was found guilty of drunkenness and disturbing the peace on last Monday. He was fined ten dollars on the charge of disturbing the peace and five dollars for drunkenness. Sentence was suspended until July 1.

Oscar E. Larson, of Shirley, was found guilty of assault and battery on Tuesday morning. He was fined fifteen dollars on the charge and on the complaint charging drunkenness, he was placed on probation for six months. Sentence was suspended until July 2.

Harrison E. Sargent, of Pepperell, was adjudged insane last week. He was committed to the Worcester insane asylum.

John Boulanger, of Lowell, was taken into custody by Chief Beatty for jumping on freight trains between here and that city. He was allowed to return to his home on Thursday morning on condition that he would not commit the offense again.

Town Meeting Adjourned. Less than a score of voters being in attendance at the special town meeting Tuesday night, the selectmen adjourned to get a more representative body of the town on the kind of new bridge desired at Mitchellville. The meeting voted to adjourn until eight o'clock on Monday morning, July 2, at 8 o'clock.

L. K. Clark was elected moderator of the meeting and the report of the engineers by the selectmen to examine the bridge. The report is herewith printed in full:

To the Ayer, Mass., June 10, 1912. Gentlemen: In accordance with your request we have today inspected the bridge at Mitchellville, so called, and find it in such condition that we recommend that it be closed at once as unsafe for travel.

The bridge is a wooden truss bridge with two spans of 104'-7" and a clear span length of 93 feet. The clear width of roadway is 16'-1/2". The trusses are of heavy iron and have gone out of line 4" at the bottom and at a point 4" above the top of the trusses. The bridge is in a fair condition.

We have not taken the time and trouble to make an analysis of their strength (the main truss being in fair condition), but they are of too light construction for the traffic of the town, though probably sufficient for the time being. The bridge is supported by beams running from truss to truss 2'-6" apart on different sizes of iron beams of 5x12" in cross sections. The floor is made of two layers, each 3" thick, and lower plank running longitudinally and spiked to the beams, and upon them are laid diagonal split iron beams. The condition of the floor is very bad. The diagonal beams are many of them decayed and split; four of them are broken. The lower plank is in a fair condition and there are gaps where the planks are entirely lacking.

The iron planking is a good deal worn and in places has begun to decay. The whole condition of the floor is such that we do not believe it safe for the ordinary traffic which passes over the road on which it is located and we recommend that it be closed at once.

The floor has been recently broken near the center. This is said to have been done yesterday by a motor truck, and a similar accident has occurred on several times if the bridge is left open to travel.

To put the bridge in passable condition it will be necessary to put in an entire new floor consisting of diagonal iron beams and lateral bracing, and to rebuild the trusses back into line if possible. It is our opinion that you would not have a bridge equal to the demands of the present traffic.

It is therefore recommended that you use the money which would be necessary for these repairs toward the building of a new bridge sufficient for any load that may come upon it. The abutment on the Shirley side of the river is built of split stone laid dry, and the joints pointed with mortar. The most of which has come out. The material and workmanship used in the construction appear in general to have been good, and the abutment located in good condition and equal to the requirements of a new bridge.

The Ayer side of the abutment was built of rubble laid in cement. There appears to have been a settlement at the northwest corner causing the breaking of the wide sea stone which supports the west truss. Several cracks in the face of the abutment on the site of the old one would probably be necessary to rebuild a portion of this abutment.

Respectfully submitted, F. PARKER, BATEMAN & CHASE, by F. W. Bateman.

On Thursday evening the town of Shirley held a special meeting which was slily attended. After much debate a committee of two citizens and the selectmen were instructed to construct a new bridge over the river. The report next Tuesday evening to which the meeting was adjourned. Selectmen Pierce and Maloney, T. F. Mullin, Huntley S. Turner and Alfred Bates, from this town, were present at the meeting.

It is hoped that every citizen who can conveniently attend the meeting

on Monday evening will do so as this is an important matter and public opinion should make itself known.

Fourth of July Arrangements. The committee appointed by the selectmen have practically completed all arrangements for the celebration of the fourth of July. A few minor details remain to be finished and in the course of the few days remaining the entire program will be completed in every way.

The committee have endeavored to give the people a good program for the holiday, giving particular attention to some new features. A new idea which is being worked out by those directly interested is the children's parade in the morning. The processions will form at the town hall and all those wishing to take part should be on hand at eight o'clock, otherwise they will be too late to march. The idea of the committee is to have a parade in the morning, but the idea of the committee is to have a parade in the morning, but the idea of the committee is to have a parade in the morning.

The parade will leave the town hall at 8.30 o'clock sharp, and escorted by the Capt. George V. Barrett camp of V. drum corps, will march over Main street to Washington street, then through Fenner's residence as far as Arden, Main, Mechanic, Shirley, Union, Main, Main, East Main and School streets to the town park. All children taking part in the parade will be furnished with cream free of charge upon arrival at the park.

The committee carefully considered this feature before deciding to have a good deal to be done to make its first trial a success. The reason is that it is hoped that parents or any other volunteers who may be willing to assist in any way, not only in the parade, but in the other events of the day, will get in touch with any member of the committee as their services will be much appreciated. While the morning parade is primarily for children, others will be welcome to march. The judges of the parade are Judge George A. Sanderson, George H. Brown and Miss S. Adelaide.

Directly following the parade there will be a ball game at the town park at 9.30 between teams composed of professional and business men of town. The professional team is composed of eight doctors and one lawyer. K. Clark, attorney, although the latter is not longshore. This promises to be a red hot game, so don't miss it. The following is the list of players on the both teams: Business men—Verne Pillman, F. T. Auld, J. McGuane, I. G. Dwinell, P. N. Lawrence, L. H. Cushing, Frank Fletcher, G. L. Osgood, W. E. Murphy, Professional team—E. H. Hopkins, L. D. Sullivan, F. S. Bulkeley, J. Priest, Ralph Wiley, E. B. Butterfield, C. A. Fox, Fred Barry and Attorney L. K. Clark.

The park promptly at one o'clock in the afternoon. At 3.30 the baseball game between the Pepperell A. A. and Ayer A. A. will be played. The Pepperell manager says he is going to bring a good team and our boys will have to play sharp to keep the game.

In the evening there will be a display of fireworks at the usual place. The following is a list of prizes for the parade and the list of prizes for the parade and the list of prizes for the parade.

Parade—The grand total not exceeding 12 persons representing the historical event, prize, an automobile ride to Concord, viewing the historic places, some time during July; his- toric persons, boys' 1st prize \$3; 2d \$2; girls, same prizes; burlesque individuals, 1st \$2; 2d \$1; burlesque group, 1st \$2, 2d \$1.

Sports—100 yd. dash seniors, 1st \$2, 2d \$1; juniors, 1st \$1, 2d 75c; 50 yd. race for girls, 1st \$1, 2d 75c; potato race, boys' 1st \$1, 2d 75c; age, 1st \$1, 2d 75c; shoe race, 1st \$1, 2d 75c; flour race, 1st \$1, 2d 50c; sack race, seniors, 1st \$2, 2d \$1; shot put, 1st \$2, 2d \$1; egg race, girls, 1st \$1, 2d 50c.

Any further information regarding the sports may be obtained by calling on William Brown before the Fourth or other members of the committee at the grounds on July 4.

The Grotton Cornet band has been engaged to play during the afternoon and evening. Joseph C. Anne has kindly agreed to carry water for the morning ball game. All persons desiring to sell refreshments at the park during the holiday may get permission to do so by consulting F. W. Mullin, of the committee, who is also one of the park commissioners.

All those taking part in the events of the day will act in the interest of all concerned if they will be on hand promptly at the times above mentioned. There is a large list of events and it is absolutely necessary to have them disposed of according to schedule.

Interesting Find. C. H. Kinney made a very interesting and valuable find a few days ago. While taking out the glass of an antique mirror frame to replace it with a new one, he found between the glass and the wooden back several papers, the oldest of which was the Repository and Observer published at Concord, N. H., and having the date of December 23, 1828. The others are the New York Observer and Religious Chronicle, of July 14, 1832; the New Hampshire Observer, of December 22, 1832, which gives the proclamation on the famous nullification act passed that year. The Independent, of New York, of March 15, 1854, and the Weekly Messenger of Westboro, of Friday, June 7, 1850. This paper contains an interesting account of the career of John C. Calhoun, of South Carolina.

The papers are of course very much worn and stained by time. No better illustration of the vast change in newspapers between the oldest of the past year and the ones of the present day could be wished for. Mr. Kinney bought the antique mirror several years ago.

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We, the undersigned, wish to express our sincere thanks to all who in any way assisted us during our late bereavement. THOMAS MCGUANE and Family. Ayer, June 26, 1912.

CARD OF THANKS.

We wish to thank all those who rendered us assistance during the illness of our little son who has passed on, and for the beautiful flowers contributed, and especially to Rev. A. L. Bumpus for his great kindness to us. MR. and MRS. ERNEST P. MORSE. Ayer, June 25, 1912.

WANTED—A Boy to learn the Plumbing trade. C. E. PERRIN, West Street, Ayer.

WANTED—A Ladies' Linen Duster, June 22, between Ayer and the Griffin farm, Harvard. Address BOX 464, Ayer.

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TOWNSEND.

Center.
Mrs. Heath and son Moses, of Middleboro, were guests at W. D. Farrar's last week and also Mrs. Susan B. Hill, of Mills.

The Greenville baseball team will be the attraction at the local grounds here this Saturday.

Mrs. Emma Sargent, of Putnam, Conn., wife of Rev. F. D. Sargent, a former pastor of the Congregational church here, visited this week at Walter F. Rockwood's.

Mrs. Augusta Cheney, of Fitchburg, spent last week at Woodbine place as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Stanley B. McNear.

Mrs. Frank H. Crooker spent Sunday at Woodbine place.

Elmer Wallace, Charles Stickey, A. N. Fessenden and party from Pepperell, returned from their fishing trip last week Thursday. The season at the Connecticut lakes was backward this year and fish were not caught plentifully as on other trips. However, the party brought back a few, and A. N. Fessenden, who had never before, proved to be the champion fisherman. One of his catch, a good-sized salmon, he brought home with him.

Rev. F. D. Sargent, of Putnam, Conn., exchanged pulpits with Rev. A. L. Struthers on Sunday and also gave the address to the members of the North Star I. O. O. F. lodge and E. A. Spaulding.

Memorial hall on Sunday afternoon in observance of their annual decoration day. George A. Wilder, secretary of the lodge, was the presiding officer and the following exercises were held, after which the members of the order formed a procession and went to the cemetery to decorate the graves of their departed brothers and sisters: Piano solo, Albert G. Seaver; prayer, Rev. S. P. Robertson; selection, double quartet, Messrs. Hodgman, Flarity, Miller and Streeter, and Mrs. Margaret Higgins, Gertrude Piper, Icaea Cowdrey and Myrtle Gray; address, Rev. F. D. Sargent; selection, double quartet; benediction, Rev. S. P. Robertson.

Miss Ethel and Gertrude Rockwood enjoyed a few days this week as the guests of Judge C. F. and Mrs. Worcester at their camp at Harvard.

Mrs. Louis Streeter and little son, of Waltham, are at T. E. Flarity's this week.

Clarence Sherrin returned on Tuesday as a convalescent from his recent operation at Burbank hospital, Fitchburg.

Mrs. George Lawrence and children, of Groton, visited relatives in town on Wednesday.

Rev. and Mrs. F. D. Sargent, of Putnam, Conn., were entertained at W. F. Rockwood's this week.

Mrs. Annie E. Fessenden is having part of her large piazza screened in this week.

The L. B. A. of the Congregational society had a delightful meeting on Wednesday afternoon at Mrs. Edward Bliss'. An early lunch was served and ice cream and cake. The ladies returned before dusk.

A special meeting of the "grange" was held last Monday evening and the first and second degrees were conferred upon a class of candidates, the first by the regular officers, and the second by Morton Campbell with a special degree team.

Graduating Exercises Held.
Graduating exercises were held at Memorial hall last week Thursday evening and were enjoyed by a large audience of relatives and friends. The stage was tastefully decorated with flowers and potted plants, and the class motto, "Persevere est Vincere," hung above the stage on a blue and gold shield. The essays were all spoken clearly and nearly every word could be heard.

After the program and presentation of diplomas by Supt. E. L. Haynes, who gave a short, but very excellent address, the graduating class held a reception. Later there was promenade to the music of Thayer's orchestra, of Pepperell.

The following is the program:
Professional Gertrude Rockwood
Prayer Rev. Alfred L. Struthers
Selection School chorus Grieg
Salutatory Ethel Estrella Farrar
Class history Oliver Thayer
Overture Louis Masury Smith
Prophecy Orchestra Beissig
Poem, "Persevere est Vincere" Mary Alice Welch
Hosa Yuliana Lewis
Selection, xylophone solo
Memorabilia George Rufus Davis
Selection, "Morn' rise" Cizbulka
Valedictory Girls' chorus
Presentation of diplomas Edna Fairfield Haynes
Supt. E. L. Haynes
Professional Orchestra
Graduates: Mary Alice Welch, Edna Fairfield Haynes, Yuliana Lewis, Ethel Estrella Farrar, George Rufus Davis, Louis Masury Smith.

Baseball.
Last Saturday's ball game with the Y. M. C. A. team, of Lowell, was not exciting as a ball game, for the visitors were not in it, not even for a minute. They made many errors and misplays, and the home team got six runs in the first inning. The visiting pitcher looked discouraged from the first, at the support he was getting at the receiving end, and their whole team played without snap.

The only two runs the visitors got were in the latter part of the game and were got on the home team's misplays. Knight was in good trim, but none of the home players had to exert themselves much. Morse and Swicker held the batting honors of the day.

Following is the lineup:
TOWNSEND A.
Keeffe, ss. ab 1 3 3 2 3 0
Green, 3b. 3 1 0 0 2 3 0
Eastman, c. 5 2 2 1 3 1
Morse, rf. 3 1 1 1 3 1
Teahan, cf. 3 2 1 1 2 0 0
Whitcomb, lf. 4 1 0 0 1 0 0
Swicker, 2b. 3 0 1 1 0 0
Parker, lb. 4 1 1 1 1 0 2
Knight, p. 4 0 1 1 0 2 0
Totals 36 11 14 16 27 14 2

LOWELL, Y. M. C. A.
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Innings
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Two-base hits, Morse, Swicker 2, Double play, Morse, Swicker 2, Struck out by Knight 7, by Riley 4, Stolen bases, Keeffe 2, Morse, Teahan.

Whitcomb, Swicker, Parker, Knight, Locke, Passed balls, Gannon 2. Umpire, McGrall. Time 2hrs.

Enjoyable Camp-fire.
Several of the surrounding Sons of Veterans' camps were represented at the camp-fire held on Monday evening by the Anson D. Fessenden camp, S of V. Fitchburg, Leominster and Ayer were well represented and the members of the town camp and Memorial association were also present in good numbers. A program was given during the evening by A. N. Fessenden as toastmaster. There were speeches and selections from T. E. Frity's talking machine, many of which were patriotic. After the exercises refreshments were served in the banquet hall, and a smoke talk held.

Among those who spoke were A. M. Levy, of Fitchburg, formerly a Townsend boy; Past Commander Stevens, of Fitchburg; E. E. Sawyer, of Ayer; Rev. A. A. Bronson, of Shirley; Mr. Ames, of Leominster; Albert Turner, of the Memorial association; Rev. S. P. Robertson, a new member of the local camp, and several other visiting members.

Firebug Inquest.
Charles S. Rice, of the detective force of the state fire commission, held a hearing at Memorial hall on Wednesday in regard to the many recent fires in the Bayberry hill district. The burning of the Hugo Palkina place on June 21, was a climax to a series of fires which have burned at night, three of the buildings within a mile or so of each other. This one, which was just as mysterious as the others, was discovered in the day time, about eleven o'clock in the barn, and soon swept over the house where Mr. Palkina's children were sleeping.

Mr. Palkina had not been in the barn since very early morning when he took his horse out to work in the fields, where he and his wife were at the time of the fire. The family are poor and will lose nearly everything, a mortgage covering nearly all they owned in the place.

Several witnesses were summoned to appear at the hearing on Wednesday near a dozen of whom were neighbors, and those who arrived first at the fire. The hearing lasted until after one o'clock, beginning at ten in the morning. The witnesses were examined separately and nothing new developed as to the origin of the fire. The selectmen have voted to offer a reward of five hundred dollars for the discovery of the person or persons who have recently set fire or caused a fire to be set to the buildings which have been burned lately upon Bayberry hill.

West.
At a recent special business meeting of the Baptist church, Mervin Wares was chosen trustee in place of G. A. Seaver, who resigned from the position a few weeks ago.

Fifteen members of the Knights of the White Shield, accompanied by Rev. S. D. Ringrose and Ian Rusk, spent Monday and Tuesday camping at the pond, Mr. Wyman, who owns the grove kindly gave them the use of the grounds, and a most enjoyable time is reported.

The Y. P. S. C. E. held their regular meeting on Tuesday evening at the vestry, conducted by H. B. Hathaway. The topic was "The value of good books" and an informal discussion was greatly enjoyed. Fifteen were present.

Mrs. William Robbins and her little daughter have been visiting relatives in Greenville, N. H.

Miss Ruth Wilson has been spending a few days with friends and relatives in New Ipswich, N. H.

Miss Mildred Hartley, from Haverhill, is guest of her cousin, Mrs. Fred Smith.

The new fire alarm system was tested on last week Friday morning when a general alarm was sounded for a fire on Bayberry hill, to which the department quickly responded. The building, the old Moore place on Bayberry hill, was burned to the ground and the occupants, Mr. and Mrs. Hugo Palkins, lost everything, and even the two children, who were having their noon nap in a house, were rescued by the parent with difficulty. The origin of this fire seemed to be incendiary and a special hearing to investigate the cause of the fire was held on Wednesday afternoon at the Center.

The Brotherhood will hold their regular monthly meeting on the second instead of the first Thursday evening in July, in the form of a public lawn party and band concert by the Townsend brass band on the church lawn, to which the public is cordially invited. Lemonade will be served and ice cream and cake will be on sale.

The Ladies' Mission Circle met in the Baptist vestry on Wednesday afternoon with five members present. As the president was out of town, Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence presided, and the following interesting program was given: Paper on "The life of Adoniram Judson," was read by Mrs. Chas. Hodgman; a talk on "Barbarous Mexico and its slave system," by Mrs. E. Seaver; a letter from Mexico read by Miss M. Tower. The next meeting will be held at the home of Miss Tower on Elm street.

Mrs. William Hill is sick at her home in the south tenement of L. F. Wood's house.

Ralph H. Willard, son of Mr. and Mrs. James A. Willard, has opened an office in Boston for practice of law, with the former United States district attorney, Guy A. Ham, and his many friends wish him great success in his chosen calling.

R. S. Ely has returned from Somerville and Mr. Plummer, of Somerville, is a visitor with Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Ely.

Reports have been brought in regarding a suspicious character seen in the vicinity of Bayberry hill, one of Stickey's teamsters seeing him lying behind the road near Fitchburg road. He got off his team to investigate and the man took to his heels and disappeared in the woods. A young couple while out riding on Sunday afternoon saw him on the hill just above the Boutelle place. Some question is made whether he had any connection with the recent fires in that vicinity.

Mrs. Mary Wilson is visiting at the home of her son, E. G. Wilson.

The Knights of the White Shield will play a ball game with the Ashby team on Saturday afternoon.

A fire was discovered in the rear of the Bruce place on Sunday afternoon, but was promptly extinguished before it got any headway by the men about the place.

Earl Craig, of Providence, R. I., is spending a vacation at the home of his father, Edward A. Craig.

Miss Nancy Reed, who was graduated from Cushing academy, Ashburnham, on last week Wednesday, is at

the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Reed, and has been entertaining Fred Dwinell, from Vermont at her home the latter part of the week.

Mrs. Frank Hamilton, of Webster, and her sister, Miss Cora Hardy, from Atlanta, Ga., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Stevens, and upon their return were accompanied by Miss Gertrude Hamilton, who will spend a few weeks in Webster.

Miss Agnes Thompson, who has been spending a few weeks with friends in Somerville, and Miss Grace Thompson, who is enjoying a vacation from Simmons college, are at the home of their mother, Mrs. Charles E. Patch.

Mr. and Mrs. George Welch, from Greenville, N. H., and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Welch, from North Rochester, N. H., were at the home of their mother, Mrs. Morris Welch, last week Thursday, and attended the graduation from the Townsend high school of their sister, Miss Alice Welch.

George McElligott, from Somerville, has been a recent guest of his uncle, Richard McElligott.

Miss Florence Austin, from Cambridge, is spending a few days with Mrs. E. J. Lees.

Charles Norton entertained his wife and daughter from Somerville at Mrs. A. J. Manchester's on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Aiden Sherwin have closed their house on Bridge street for a few weeks, and are visiting relatives in Quincy and vicinity.

Mrs. R. S. Ely spent a few days the past week with relatives in Somerville.

Miss Blanche Sprague went last Saturday to her home in Haverhill, Vt., where she will spend her summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Patch left on Monday for Oakledge, East Harswell, Me., where they will spend the summer.

Mrs. Frank Boutelle, of Bayberry hill, has been spending a few days with friends at her former home in Leominster.

Mrs. Fred Smith returned on last week Friday from a visit to relatives in Haverhill.

A large number from here were taken to the Center to the Memorial hall to attend the graduating exercises of the high school last week Thursday evening. Charles E. Patch, of Ayer, Miss Alice Welch was the only pupil from here to be graduated.

Horace Sanders, of New Ipswich, N. H., has entered the employ of Walter Weston, of Josselynville, taking the place of Charles Thorning, who is assisting at Dr. H. B. Boynton's during the haying season.

Miss Sarah Warner has been having improvements made about her place on Main street, and Mrs. Elbridge Sanders has added a veranda to the side door of her home.

Burton Bruce, of Boston, a former resident, son of Mr. and Mrs. L. O. Bruce, of the Ashby road, has been in a Boston hospital for an operation for appendicitis, and at last reports is reported as recovering from the effects very successfully.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hodgman and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle spent Sunday with friends in Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. Everett Tenney moved on Monday from their tenement in the Bruce house on Elm street, to Townsend Center.

Miss Mildred L. Seaver has returned from Brooklyn, N. Y., where she has been employed by the Library Bureau association the past month.

Miss Alice Welch commenced her duties as assistant postmistress on Monday.

In addition to the usual hours for library service, the reading-room will be open for the accommodation of the public on Wednesday and Thursday afternoons during the summer. A full supply of magazines and papers are on the reading table and shelves and the books on hand will be distributed according to the same rules which govern the public library during the regular library hours.

The regular library hours on Saturday afternoons, and from seven until eight on Saturday evenings.

Four members of the Salvation Army were at the Squannicook hotel on Thursday night of last week, and held an open-air meeting in the square in the evening which drew a good sized audience, which listened respectfully and attentively to the music and talks by the leader and the "boy preacher," while the music was especially enjoyed.

Kingsbury Morgan, who has been so severely ill with water, is so much improved that he is able to get about his place with a little assistance.

Thomas Woodman, who is confined to his home by a severe attack of tonsillitis, is improving.

Mrs. Mary Brown, who has been spending a few months with her granddaughter, in Winthrop, has returned to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Thompson.

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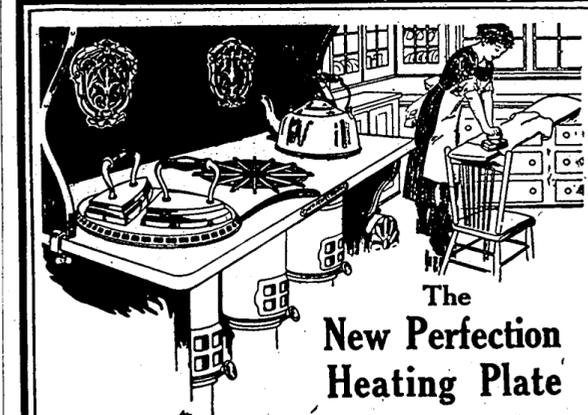
NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the notice has been given to the administratrix of the estate of CLARENCE NOYES late of Pepperell in the County of Middlesex, deceased, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, and appointing E. ALONZO BLOOD of Townsend her agent, as the law directs.

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Whereas E. ALONZO BLOOD, administrator of the estate of said deceased has presented to said Court, his petition for license to sell at public auction, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best two tracts of the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the tenth day of July, A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested, who can be found within the Commonwealth, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, and if any one cannot be so found by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve.
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Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to E. ALONZO BLOOD of Townsend in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the tenth day of July, A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirteenth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve.
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Current Events.

Miss Katherine Arlin, of Townsend, is spending the summer with her sister, Mrs. William MacMaster.

Mrs. Margaret Worcester, of Keene, is spending a week in town, boarding at the Cranford Inn.

Mrs. F. J. Worcester and Mrs. Lucy Van Wagener and little son Alfred, of New York, are enjoying a two-weeks' vacation at Cranford Inn.

Harry Strong, of Waltham, has been on the sick list, and is at home for a few days recuperating.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Jordan, Harriet and William Babson, of Gloucester, Mass., were guests at the Worcester Place over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman Woods, of Nashua, were in town on Sunday afternoon calling on relatives and friends.

Mrs. Abram Wentworth is doing very nicely at the Emergency hospital at Nashua.

Mrs. Leroy Peacock, Hazel Peacock and Vivian Bishop spent a few days last week at William H. Lund's.

Lieut. Herman O. Stickney, of Annapolis naval academy, was in town on Sunday and visited with his father, Walter Stickney. Mr. Stickney is on a cruise for a few months with 250 mid-shipsmen.

The new bungalow down "Love lane," which is just being built for Rodney Hardy, is situated in a very stately place. The western view is magnificent and will make a grand summer home. It is being built by Mr. Tucker and men of Pepperell.

Miss Mary Guest, of Nashua, formerly of this town, is spending a few days in town.

Miss Violet Guest, who has been recently operated on in Nashua for appendicitis, is reported as doing nicely.

Mrs. William Herrick, of Winchester, Mass., is visiting with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Herrick.

Mrs. John A. Coburn is spending a few days with relatives in Ashby.

Miss Ida Clement is at home for the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Lund were in Dunstable, Mass., on Sunday.

Worcester Reunion.

Saturday, June 22, proved to be a perfect day in every way for the Worcester reunion. The relatives began to gather at 9.30 in the morning and kept on coming until late in the afternoon. The exercises were held at the summer house which was neatly trimmed with flags, bunting and laurel.

Hon. Franklin Worcester was president of the day and occupied the chair which was built by Rev. Francis Worcester. Letters of regret from those who were unable to attend the reunion were read by Mrs. Robert Babson, of Gloucester, Mass.

At noon the party went to Cranford Inn, where they were seated to a very plentiful dinner. Several of the out-of-towners visited the cemeteries where relatives and friends lie at rest.

During the afternoon a very interesting paper was read by Miss S. E. Worcester. Pictures of the party were taken and a general time enjoyed by all. After the singing of "America," and "Auld Lang Syne," the exercises were then brought to a close as it was time for those who were unable to attend the reunion to take the train for their different homes.

Following are several of the paragraphs taken from the paper written and read by Miss Sarah Alice Worcester on the day of the Worcester reunion. It began with a few words of welcome, as follows:

We welcome you all today to this old stamping-ground of the Worcester family. We bid you most hearty and cordial welcome, not only in the name of the representatives of the family now residing in Hollis, but also in the name of all the generations who have successively lived here and reared their children. Many of you, perhaps most of you, can trace your line back to a grandfather of a great-grandfather who was born in Hollis, N. H. So we feel we are welcoming you to your dear old home.

For the benefit of those who had made a distance from the family, Miss Worcester spoke of some of the past generations who had occupied these grounds.

Rev. Francis Worcester, who founded Worcester Place, was born in Bradford, Mass., in 1790. His father was Francis Worcester, his grandfather, Samuel, and his great-grandfather, Rev. William Worcester. Their first ancestor in this country, Rev. Francis, had lived in both Massachusetts and New Hampshire, and like many of our old classic times, he evidently seeking a permanent abode. This he found in Hollis, N. H., in 1750, and here he founded the Worcester homestead.

Rev. Francis Worcester preached as an evangelist in desolate parts of New Hampshire and New England. It is said that he was a very large man and found it very difficult to get chairs that would accommodate him so he made a chair for himself, a very strong one, which is now at the Worcester homestead, and which holds an honored place. Rev. Francis died in 1783, and was succeeded by his son Noah.

Noah took a very active part during the revolutionary period. An interesting story was told of him at this time. He was a member of the committee of safety, and when the word of the advance of the British upon Lexington was brought to Hollis, the news was running at full speed and spreading the alarm. Mr. Worcester was standing before the mirror in the act of shaving. One side of his face was freshly lathered when his ear caught the note of alarm. He dropped everything, rushed for his horse, and in this plight, which at any other time would have excited great merriment, was soon spreading the tidings in all parts of the town. Soon after this he marched at the head of a company to reinforce Washington at Cambridge.

Noah Worcester was twice married, seven children by his first wife; out of five sons four were ministers. His second wife was the mother of nine children. Noah's second son, Jesse, succeeded him on the homestead, and this brings us to the grandfather of Miss S. A. Worcester.

Miss Worcester's father, Taylor Gilman, was one of Jesse's fifteen children. Of Jesse's children nine were sons, and six daughters. One of the notable sons was Joseph Emerson, author of Worcester's dictionaries and other educational works. His father, Jesse, was naturally proud of his scholarly son. When an old man he would stand by the gate and say to the passer-by: "My son Joseph is coming home today."

Taylor Gilman Worcester graduated at Harvard and took the theological course at Andover, Mass., and intended to be a preacher of the gospel, but his health was delicate and he was strongly recommended to an outdoor life. He came to Hollis in 1833. Miss Worcester's mother was Lucy

Spencer Bell, daughter of James Bell, esq., of Waiden, Vt. Seven children sat around the family board, of whom only three are left today.

John Newton Worcester lived on the old homestead until the coming of Taylor Gilman in 1833, after which he moved to the southwestern part of the town and founded the John Newton Worcester homestead—where Worcester Bros. live today. He had four daughters and five sons. Lieut. John H. Worcester died of wounds received at Fort Wagner in South Carolina. The other four sons formed themselves into an association known as Worcester Bros.

Hon. Franklin Worcester has made many improvements for this town, namely, the new public library and Cranford Inn.

Miss S. A. Worcester is at work on a revision of the Worcester Genealogy published in 1885. She has filled in blanks to be filled with data to those of the family whom she knew, and requested them to send addresses of all others in any part of the country of whom she had any knowledge. Thus an endless chain of correspondence has resulted in furnishing much very important data. Some of these dates come from South Africa, the Philippines, various parts of Europe, from the states and the Pacific, as well as the Atlantic, from the middle and far west, and from Florida and Texas.

In the spring of 1910, Miss Worcester went to England to find out more about her progenitor, Rev. William Worcester, of Salisbury, Mass. Through the services and correspondence of a genealogist in London, she obtained much valuable information while in England. She succeeded in finding five children of her ancestor, Worcester, in England, one of which is adopted by Worcester in America. As soon as Miss Worcester copies all the data, etc., the book is to be printed and sold. This will no doubt be a very interesting book and it has taken a great deal of time and careful study to prepare it.

Following are names of those who attended the Worcester reunion:

Chas. R. Worcester, Miss Clara H. Worcester, Chas. F. Babson, Harriet W. Babson, Wm. H. Jordan, Harriet W. Jordan, Robert T. Babson, Franklyn Worcester, George Worcester, Mrs. C. Fred Worcester, Master Wm. Augustus Worcester, Helen D. Worcester, Elizabeth Worcester, George Wm. Warner Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel A. Worcester, Horace A. Worcester, Sarah E. Worcester, Margaret T. Worcester, Lillian W. Worcester, Frederick Worcester, Wm. L. Worcester, Ethel Burnham, Geo. W. Worcester, Carman Worcester, Newburyport, Mass.; Margaret J. Worcester, Portland, Me.; Sarah Alice Worcester, Cambridge, Mass.; Mrs. J. Worcester, Alfred Van Wagener, Lucy H. Van Wagener, New York; Dr. Edward Worcester, Worcester, Mass.; Keene; Mary E. Worcester, Leonard Worcester, Williams; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Franklin Worcester, Hudson, Mass.; Theodore E. Wilson, Ida Worcester, Waterbury, Conn.; Mrs. Wm. Henry Worcester, Marjorie Worcester, Worcester, Mass.; Mary E. Worcester, Townsend, Mass.; Mary E. Worcester, Winthrop, Mass.; Henry Worcester, Miss Bertha G. Worcester, Malden, Mass.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Goodwin, of Lynn, Mass., came to Hollis last Saturday afternoon and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell, returning to Lynn on Monday morning. Miss Frances Goodwin accompanied them for a visit.

Harold Hardy who has charge of sprouting the shade trees for the town, was injured one day last week by the bursting of one of the pipes, which let out the compressed air, and which went into his face with great force. It was feared at first that his eye might be injured, but he is now thankful to know that he has escaped that disaster, and is apparently as well as ever.

Mrs. A. H. Spaulding went to Fitchburg last week to visit her sister. Mr. Spaulding joined her on Saturday, both on Sunday.

Miss Etta Flagg, same, to visit her sister last week. Miss Flagg lives in California, where she is instructor in domestic science for the public schools.

Mrs. E. L. Hurd accompanied by Miss Jennie Morrison went to Wakefield, Mass., last week, where they are visiting.

Miss Elizabeth Fletcher is in feeble health. Her friends wish for a speedy recovery.

Temperance Sunday was observed last Sunday in the Sunday school by special exercises by the members of the primary and junior departments. Frank Porter, 'C' was given twenty minutes during the opening exercises and used them in that way.

Rev. Lynn V. Farnsworth occupied the pulpit last Sunday forenoon and evening most acceptably.

Mrs. D. L. Jambard is seriously ill at her home. Dr. Black, of Nashua, is attending her.

Rev. C. F. Crathern, of Worcester, Mass., has been secured to supply the pulpit during July and August. He and his family will occupy the parsonage.

This has been a busy week in the social life of Hollis, beginning last week Saturday when a large company of the Worcester clans gathered at the old Worcester homestead. The next one in line was the annual guest night of the Women's club held on Wednesday evening. On Thursday afternoon the C. E. society gave its usual reception to those in town who have reached and passed the age of three score and ten.

Mrs. Helen Leighton went to Dunstable on Wednesday morning, where she will spend a part of her summer vacation with relatives.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

Current Events.

Prof. Josef Yarrack, James Fessenden, of Newton, Mass., and Mr. Ballard of Putnam, Co., have been bringing in large strings of fish and many of the fish have been of extra size.

Mrs. A. A. Gould has assumed the duties of housekeeper for Mrs. Fernando Shattuck, at South Brookline.

Wednesday afternoon, June 12, Mrs. Frank Barber joyfully welcomed eighteen of the Lovell Workers to a pleasant highland home on Townsend hill. The day was perfect, yet a little warm, but the scenery on the hill and elsewhere was magnificent and the trip from the village was much enjoyed by those who could go. After the opening of the meeting and the business attended to, the afternoon was mostly spent in sewing and sociality until the hostess appeared with refreshments and cake and lemonade which surely was well received. Joyed the afternoon immensely and thanked Mrs. Barber for her kindness and hospitality.

By the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stickney and Miss Marion

Stiles, eighteen little ones of Miss Stiles' Sunday school class called upon William H. French on Sunday afternoon, June 23, each one presenting Mr. French with a rose, and then entertaining him with recitations and songs which he greatly appreciated. Rev. W. L. Noyes, Charles Stickney and Miss Marion Holcombe were present.

Kenneth Russell, son of Charles Russell, of Exeter, N. H., is at the home of his uncle, Clarence R. Russell, for his annual vacation.

The Brookline friends of Fred Campbell extend their sympathy to him and the little son in the loss of wife and mother, who passed away on Thursday, June 21, at their home on Hollis after a long and painful illness. The Mrs. Patch spent the last Saturday for burial in the family lot at the South cemetery, following the funeral services at the home in Hollis.

Miss Elizabeth Kennedy, of Pepperell, gave a select social dancing party at her home last week in honor of her Pepperell and Hollis friends. Miss Kennedy, with friends from Pepperell and New York, were in town on June 12, calling upon friends and were entertained at the Elmwood at the noon hour.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Goss and daughter Hazel attended the graduation exercises of the high school at Milford on Thursday evening of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Cummings, of Nashua, were recent guests of Mrs. Ellen Sweet and Mrs. Roxy Patch. Mrs. Sweet and Mrs. Patch spent a few days this week at Milford, and Mrs. Patch went to her son's home at Boston for July and August.

Ernest Lavash and son Joslyn, of Newton, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Putney of Waltham, Mass., were recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. George Cady.

Mrs. Jennie Wallace, of Townsend, has been a recent guest of her aunt, Augusta Smith, and son Edwin, on the Pepperell road.

The West primary school closed for the summer vacation on last week Thursday afternoon with a pleasing program. The grammar school, which has had charge of the school term and all seem to be well pleased with the progress made. A good number of the parents and friends attended the closing exercises. The South primary school closed with an interesting program on last week Friday afternoon. Miss Chinn, of Pepperell had charge of this school, and it seems, has done good work with her pupils.

The grammar school under the supervision of Miss Barker, was also busy and gave an interesting closing program on Friday afternoon.

Mrs. Bishop, of Milford, is visiting with Mrs. Viella Dodge.

The marriage of Laura Ellen O'Neill to Albert Claude Koch, of Brookline, is announced at the bride's home in East Pepperell, where they will reside for the present.

Mrs. John Dugan, of Watertown, Mass., is enjoying an outing here and at Milford.

Dr. Holcombe finished haying on June 22, cutting fourteen loads of hay from his three-acre farm. The doctor is still full of horses.

The event of the week took place on June 23, on Russell hill, when Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell entertained an auto party from Charlestown and Medford. Mrs. Russell served one of her famous chicken dinners, with ice cream and cake and all the good things that are good on a farm. During the day a trip was taken to the observation point on top of the hill and a nice social time enjoyed. Dinner at the dinner table were Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney, Fred Kenney, Miss Bertha Kenney, Miss Helen Kenney, Mr. and Mrs. Bryant, of Charlestown, Mass.; Miss Bell Orcutt, of Medford, Mass.; Miss Marjorie Patch, Malden, Mass.; Kenneth Russell, Exeter; William Matthews, Mr. and Mrs. C. R. Russell, Brookline. Dinner and supper was served on the lawn. The guests presented Mrs. Russell with a very handsome cut glass fruit dish.

Herbert Corey, Walter Corey, Albert T. Pierce and others attended L. O. P. memorial services at Townsend on last Sunday. Rev. D. Sargent, of Putnam, Conn., gave the address.

News Items.

Miss Doris Nye, from Sandown, N. H., is the guest of her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. George Nye.

There was a ball game last Saturday between the married and single men, the score being 6 to 5 in favor of the married men.

Herbert Corey, Nathaniel Holbart, Frank Whiffy, Albert Pierce and Delbert Porter, gave the memorial services given by the Odd Fellows at Memorial hall, Townsend, on last Sunday.

George Rockwood was at home from Acton over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Bailey, from Milford, have been at the home of Mrs. Frank Gilman.

A nine-pound boy was born to Mrs. Parker Webber (Laura Gilman), on Sunday June 23.

There will be a social dance in Tarbell's hall on Wednesday evening, July 3. Good music furnished by Harry Powers, violin, Mr. Proctor, piano and Mr. Sleeper, drums.

Frank Gilman, from Gardner, Mass., is spending a few days at home.

Mrs. Nellie Sweet and Mrs. Roxy Patch are spending a few days with friends in Milford, N. H.

BOXBOROUGH.

Death.

Daniel Whitcomb Cobleigh, a loved and honored townsman, died on Wednesday, June 12, after a short illness. For over half a century he was one of our most prominent citizens, occupying various positions of trust, always deeply interested in the welfare of the town and ever loyal to its interests.

Mr. Cobleigh was born here eighty-four years ago. When a young man he went to Charlestown and engaged in the milk business in which he was very successful, and it was there he met his first wife, Mary Caroline Smith.

After a few years, failing health drove him back to the country and he bought the farm where he spent the remainder of his life. He was a successful farmer, very exact and methodical, as he was in every other vocation.

For forty-two years Mr. Cobleigh was town treasurer, during that long period of faithful service he was elected unanimously by the town—a fine tribute to his honesty and fidelity. For many years he was our caterer for all public occasions, and many of us remember his long service in the Farmers' club and the grange. His capacity, and how systematically everything was conducted, is a tribute to his ability.

Although for several years he has been unable to actively engage in the affairs of the town, he has kept

well informed on all questions, and his advice and opinion were often sought.

Mr. Cobleigh's first wife died many years ago, leaving two daughters, who are now Mrs. Maria Yeasie, of Leavelle, Me., and Mrs. John Harlow, of Harvard. His second wife was Mrs. Antoinette Barnard, of Harvard, who survives him.

He has lost a faithful townsman, a good friend and neighbor, but he has left us many pleasant memories of a long and useful life.

He was buried in the cemetery on the hill where a boulder from his own farm marks his resting place.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of OWEN McINTIFF of Littleton in said County, deceased, Intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to JAMES W. McINTIFF of Littleton in said County, or to some other suitable person.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County, on the ninth day of July A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Littleton Guidon, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing postpaid a copy of this citation to the next of kin if said deceased seven days at least before said Court.

Witness Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nineteenth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve.

3411 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Worcester, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs at law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of CATHERINE J. STATE of Rhode Island, deceased, Intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to KENNETH M. MacLENNAN of Rhode Island, in said County of Worcester, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Worcester, in said County, on the ninth day of July A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Mass. City News, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness William T. Forbes, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this eighth day of June in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and

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PEPPERELL.

News Items.

The Warron Veteran Firemen's association will hold a special meeting at their room on Wednesday evening, July 3, to act on an invitation to attend a firemen's muster in Gardner on July 20. It is hoped that every member will be present.

Mrs. C. G. Hamlett, of Willow street, celebrated her seventy-sixth birthday anniversary on June 18. Her daughter from Worcester, Mrs. Ida Billings, spent the week with her. Mrs. Edith Chase made ice cream and cake which was much enjoyed, and Mrs. Hamlett received many useful presents and a number of postal cards.

Henry Blake and his daughters enjoyed a drive over Break Neck hill and the west part of the town last Monday afternoon when they made door-yard calls at several places, and although the day was very warm Mr. Blake at the age of ninety and his daughters and several nephews suffered no ill effects and enjoyed the day very much. He received flowers and a most tempting box of strawberries along the way.

Rabbits are doing much damage by eating off the plants in the flower gardens. They are the brown variety and are very destructive creatures.

Miss A. Marie Jordan is visiting friends in her home city, Providence, R. I., and other places in that state. Miss Carrie E. Shattuck is visiting her friend and schoolmate, Miss Hazel Varney, at Braintree.

The Misses Flynn attended Grotton grange meeting on Tuesday evening. William Atkinson is to start to work for Harry Legg on Monday.

The Misses Ruth, Helen and Marion Stone, of Ayer, the Misses Ruth and Sybil Stone, daughters of the Hon. Arthur P. Stone, of Belmont, were the guests of Mrs. L. E. Starr this week.

Everett Harris, son of Dr. E. D. Harris, former veterinary, living in the house now occupied by Rev. D. R. Child, was in town on Tuesday and Wednesday.

Mrs. Louise Lunt is confined to her bed with throat trouble. Mr. Clement has moved into the house recently vacated by Courtland Hill on Townsend street.

Henry Hill, formerly of this town, has gone to Waltham to seek employment in the Metz auto manufacturing plant. Mr. Laws, of Townsend, has brought several fine loads of strawberries into town recently.

The tax bills will be out on July 1, and the rate this year will be \$17.70 per thousand. Henry J. Anderson, of Oakland, Cal., is spending two weeks with his cousin, George W. Maynard. He presented Miss Georgianna with a beautiful gold watch and pin as a graduation gift.

Mrs. Shattuck and grandson John, came to Pepperell on Thursday evening and will remain here until Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Roger B. Taft certainly did surprise their old friends by announcing that they were married in New York on December 9, 1911, and their old friends were bound to meet the new Mrs. Taft, and on Monday night the men serenaded them, the men having a jolly good time.

Robbins' orchestra of six pieces furnished the music for the alumni reception of the Pepperell high school on Friday evening. Miss Annie Waterhouse, an actress from Manchester, N. H., is visiting her friend, Miss Elsie D. Northrup, of Townsend.

Leslie McCormack, formerly of this town and a graduate from the Pepperell high school under George Turner, was in town over Thursday. Mr. McCormack is now working on one of Hood's milk routes in Boston.

Frank Lawrence, of Boston, has rented Fred Bancroft's place for the summer. Misses Florence Flynn and Doris Hartwell spent last week Thursday and Friday in Fitchburg, taking examinations for the normal school.

Wednesday, June 19, was a date to be remembered by the friends of Miss Marion Legg, of Dorchester, who was married on that date to Lloyd Chapman, of Pepperell. The bride's uncle performed the ceremony in the Legg homestead in Dorchester. Miss Vera Legg was bridesmaid, and Curtis Manning, of Great Falls, Montana, was groomsmen. This is the result of a summer home in Pepperell which brought the young couple together. Mr. Chapman attended the Agricultural college at Amherst, and has won respect wherever.

The young couple will reside at Great Falls. Miss Legg was a charming brunette. Arnold Lawson, son of Thomas Lawson, being interested in the L. & M. Well Cleaning Co., is a guarantee that there will be some business done in the center of town. Mr. Lawson is coming into town quite often.

The Parker cottage on Townsend street, has been rented to Mrs. Peck, who has been living with Mrs. Joshua Blood, of Park street.

Mrs. Arthur P. Wright, of High street, is spending the week with friends in Newton and Gloucester.

Deaths.

Mrs. Caroline Wheeler Ames, widow of Elijah Ames, of Oak Hill, Pepperell, passed away at the home of her son, Erbert A. Williams, of Park street, on Thursday, June 20. She had been fairly well until she slipped and broke her hip seven weeks before her death, and though it seemed at one time she would recover, it proved only temporary. She was born in Pepperell eighty-four years ago last September. She was the daughter of Benjamin Wheeler, of Ashby, but spent her girlhood in Townsend.

Mrs. Ames first married A. Benjamin Williams, who served in the 26th Massachusetts regiment under Gen. Butler, and who died in New Orleans in 1865. She married Elijah Ames, of this place, who passed away in 1900. Mrs. Ames remained on the home farm for a few years and then moved to her son's home.

The funeral was held at her son's home on Sunday, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge officiating, and the bearers were Erbert Williams, Charles Miller, Wardell Parker and Addison Woodward. She left one son and one daughter. Mrs. Lucian Boynton of Iowa; three grandchildren—Wardell Parker, Vincent Parker, of West Grotton, and Gladys Williams, of Lockport, N. Y., and one great-grandchild, Leslie Williams Parker. She was buried in her son's lot in the Walton cemetery.

David Brainard Shattuck passed away at his home on River street on Tuesday, June 25. He was a native of Lancaster, and early in life became identified in shoe manufacturing, be-

ing associated with the Leighton Bros., as long as that business was carried on in town. He married Harriet Shattuck of this town, who died June 1, 1898.

Mr. Shattuck was confined only four days to his room and died from heart trouble. He leaves five daughters—Mrs. Addie E. Stevens, Newton Center; Mrs. Louise Lunt, Mrs. Helena L. Shattuck, Pepperell; Mrs. Maud I. Mason, Mrs. Hattie Wilson, Brighton; eleven grandchildren and two great-grandchildren. Two brothers—Samuel T. Shattuck, of Providence, R. I., and Freeman Shattuck, of Patterson, N. J., and three sisters—Mrs. Adelaide Ryle, Mrs. Mary E. Gilmore and Mrs. Harriet Lambert, all of Patterson, N. J., will mourn his departure.

The funeral service was held in the Unitarian church on Thursday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. Dudley R. Child officiating. The burial was in the family lot.

D. A. R.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., held a very interesting meeting at the chapter house on Monday, June 17, when a large number were present. Mrs. Snow, from Hyde Park, a blind member, was present and enjoyed the sound of familiar voices and the thought of meeting with the chapter. It was a touching sight to see her met at the door and led to her chair, rising in her honor. We were glad to welcome Mrs. Nancy Merrill and Miss Annetta after their long absence, from ill health. A number of guests were present and all enjoyed the anniversary of Bunker Hill day.

The usual board and chapter meeting at which the regent, Mrs. Nellie M. Gutterston, ably presided, was followed by exercises conducted by Mrs. Appleton, Mrs. Phelps and Mrs. Allen. A centenary committee, when the chapter marched to the revolutionary tablet led by Miss Adelaide Boynton, chapter color bearer. One verse of "America" was sung and the colors dipped in each member placing a flower at the tablet in memory of the heroes of 1776. March was then resumed to Prescott and Emerson tombs, and the grave of Prudence Wright, where floral tributes were placed.

On the return to the chapter house the meeting was placed in the hands of Mrs. Adelbert Boynton, chairman of hostesses, who had arranged a reception in honor of retiring officers. A five-dollar gold coin was presented to Mrs. Richardson, retiring regent. Mrs. Miriam and Mrs. Allen served as hostesses, assisted by Mrs. Appleton. The refreshments were abundant and of the usual quality. The decorations of beautiful flowers and chapter colors interspersed with national colors made the scene very attractive.

As usual, on this date, the large blue and white pitcher presented to the centenary committee, was filled with tri-colored flowers from the home of Col. Prescott and placed in his honor on the regent's table.

Town Conference.

Monday evening, June 24, was the date of the Town Conference in the lower town hall and though the evening was sultry and the electric light system was frankish, about sixty persons were present. Rev. Child, the president, called the conference to order, saying it was the object of the conference to discuss the ways of bringing before the people the problems of the town and what happens in this town is happening in other towns similarly situated. Edward T. Hartman, secretary of the Massachusetts Civic League, was introduced, and soon said:

What will we do with our town? Cooperation is one of the purposes of the Town Conference and is as broad as the town itself. Learn that this is your town—for you and run by you. In the past there has been a something working against the people. It was hardly defined—we know now. Money used the brougham and auto. Cattle used the cars. Why pay heed to cattle. The looks of the railroad station is a matter that amounts to something to the people of this town. Let the people get together. The town is the biggest thing, the greatest factor. Why have they so much better a railroad station at Grotton than here?

The first thought should be the growth of the town. Every hand. The physical condition is fine. How does a parent bring up a child? Do they wait until the child is half grown before they try to guide it, or do they begin in early youth? Wise parents plan for their children and make every year count. Is not the growth of a town where many children are to live of more consequence; that every detail be carefully planned so that in future generations the community does not have to undergo at a great cost what was thoughtlessly done. It costs more to care for a sick child than to keep one well. Why do we have "clean up days" on our various towns? Do not suggest carelessness. There is something wrong about you. It is better to work over bad conditions into better, but is better never to have had conditions—fences half down, grass and weeds hanging in bunches, grass uncut. A palatial railroad station is a money value to a town.

Get poor conditions and a town never gets back. Do you think a foot that has been frozen is as well as if the foot had never been frozen? The affairs of the town are your affairs and the control of affairs is fundamental. Get a systematic plan of your town, make a street with reference to the rest of the town, not let it out where the cow went, and not have it hitch up to anything. People build houses any place, make a street look crazy. We must plan. Little England spent one hundred and fifty million dollars in correcting things that a plan would have saved.

Here in Pepperell you cannot help growing. It may not grow much in ten years, but it is bound to grow in twenty years, and it is for you to decide now whether you prefer a business or residential town. The new playground is wonderful for a town like this and you have secured it for a song. It has great possibilities of development. Get interested in your town. A man makes his store as well as to draw trade. Does not the appearance of a town have as much influence as a store? Develop a plan for all of the public buildings and when a change is needed place the building in the right place—be it engine house or town house.

If you want to add 1000 workmen to your town don't try for the industrial flossman wreckage, but build good homes for first-class workmen and you will keep them and add to the value of your town, but if you get cheap workmen put them in cheap houses and tenements. You will have their children to educate, to doctor and all the ills attendant on poor conditions and you will provide for the jails and insane asylums.

Now is the time to control your future. The State of New York has learned that homes, churches, schools, playgrounds and streets are great fac-

tors for a great future. Carelessness in a town makes a decadent town. In many towns are growing in numbers without regard to the fundamental program which is the social program. "Social work" brings at once to mind "the dealing with the human rubbish."

Why don't all the rubbish you want. Why don't this town take itself in hand. Churches are a serious problem. Some towns are church poor and cannot maintain themselves. Many communities are too unchristian to cooperate. It is a broad thought to be willing to give up a cherished idea for the community good. One town had three run-down churches and two burned up. The town united in one church, practiced living in harmony—made a healthful growth. Why live in a quarrel? Work together. Work for the community welfare.

The aim of the church is to prepare for a better life and the real life is one of harmony. Why not practise harmony here, now, by working together? If the ministers tell the truth about the most ordinary things that are not for the benefit of the church, but for the benefit of the community and certain wealthy people want everything to run smoothly and unquestioned. Control the dollars—control the community. Why educate your children to tend a counter in a department store? It is a matter of things that are around him. Some graduates from the high schools have to get over the four years' work rather than through with it. There are many graduates working in stores for eight dollars a week. Boston is the mecca of the educated and some are holding down stools at four dollars a week, and not worth that.

The real education brings you near the human problem. The real voter votes for principle. People are not taught about the farm and garden to enjoy the recreation of the orchard and garden. What about the recreation and playground? Why not say to the child, there are the boys and girls of the schoolhouse—go learn. The same holds true of our recreation. We have to be taught how to get the greatest good out of play.

Playground teach decent language, control temper, not tearing around. It teaches honesty, quickness of action. Men learn to be firm by play. Teach honesty as a permanent fixture. It teaches to forget class and nationalities. Football helps teach each one to do team work. They are directed to do their best in team work and bring out the energy of the whole man.

Farm work is good. I had farm exercise plus I did not have to hunt for it but I was sent for it. There are degenerate conditions in the offspring of New England stock. Blue-blooded boys become degenerate playing hide and seek with the law and various crimes. Control the evolution. Homes should have gardens. A garden teaches many things—cleanliness and observation and interest in natural things.

How is the home, it is a conception. A physical home develops the spiritual life. Art is harmony—civil art properly planned. What have you for homes for your workmen? Good housing draws good workmen. Good housing does not mean the housing conditions are problems that is facing other towns like Winchester and Norwood—wealth is questioned.

The large estate—three-room apartments containing anywhere for a family of two adult parents and daughter in one room, ten girls in a room and leading out of that single room occupied by women is a room occupied by ten men. How can decency and modesty grow in these conditions. Yet these are not overcrowded. In a place like this a case of scarlet fever was found out. The ten men got out bearing germs of fever to the tanneries, to the hotels, to the streets, to the houses, to the shops and street. So you see this housing problem is your problem.

As a nation are we saving money by this crowding in? Make it possible to live decently by having a family of two adult parents and daughter in one room, ten girls in a room and leading out of that single room occupied by women is a room occupied by ten men. How can decency and modesty grow in these conditions. Yet these are not overcrowded. In a place like this a case of scarlet fever was found out. The ten men got out bearing germs of fever to the tanneries, to the hotels, to the streets, to the houses, to the shops and street. So you see this housing problem is your problem.

Humanity is a part of the factory or machinery. We have never thought of the human part of the machinery. The village green is one of the first principles. Find a home without paint and a home without paint. Chicago is nothing like it. Learn to look at the weather and the abundance of good things to eat. The evening was marred for some by the absence of the music which was expected, but this, we understand, was unavoidable owing to the illness of a musician and the sudden death in the family of another.

Miss Mary L. Boyce, of Somerville, was a guest and over Sunday attended the annual reception of the G. A. R. at the home of Miss Alice Chinn, of Oak Hill, attending the alumni reception during her stay.

Miss Elmira Burns, of Pleasant street, visited at West Acton last week, returning on Monday. Miss Mabel O'Neal, of Grotton street, is spending a few weeks at her home, having been employed at Concord during the past few months. She is entertaining her friend, Miss Hutchinson, of that place.

The lawn party held on Main street on Thursday evening was a success from several standpoints. The evening was a very pleasant one. The weather and the abundance of good things to eat. The evening was marred for some by the absence of the music which was expected, but this, we understand, was unavoidable owing to the illness of a musician and the sudden death in the family of another.

News Items. E. L. Shedd of Bellows Falls came to town Thursday and is the guest of his daughter, Mrs. Leslie Hager. The friends of Leslie A. Hager are sorry to learn that he met with a painful accident a few days ago. As he was going out of a hotel in Providence, R. I., he caught his heel on one of the steps and fell in such a way that the large bone of one leg was broken in three places above the knee. The tendons were torn off and the muscles were strained. The same surgeon attended, him that operated on him a year or more ago. Mr. Hager was brought home in an ambulance this evening. As this is the busy season he hopes to superintend the Moxie business. His illness will necessitate having an able assistant.

Miss Louise Flagg, who has been traveling in Europe the last three months, returned home this week on Wednesday.

J. H. Whitcomb, Jr., took his mother, Mrs. J. H. Whitcomb, Mrs. Paul Brown and Miss Marlon Whitcomb to New Bedford in his automobile on Thursday to attend the graduation of his niece, Miss Mary V. Gardner, from the high school.

William H. Davis gave John Fairfield Heywood Knowlton and Elliot Young a delightful automobile ride of fifty miles last Wednesday as a commencement present. Among the attractions of the trip was the great reservoir in Sterling.

Mr. and Mrs. Benson Priest of East Orange, N. J., are visiting his relatives in town. Lillian Robinson and Katherine Kimball attended class day exercises at Fitchburg normal school last Saturday.

Eather Kimball of Worcester was spending the week with her aunt, Mrs. Henry J. Couper. The James W. Ireland family went into Grotton on Monday yesterday. James W. Nixon went on Tuesday to Hartford, Conn., for a visit of ten days with his sister, Mrs. Clara Loomis.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Dodge, Joseph Dodge and daughter Hannah, as the auto guests of Thomas Moore, enjoyed a fine ride through the country up into New Hampshire, stopping in Nashua to call on the Dary family. Mrs. Jane Wheeler and Miss Harriet Wheeler, whom they found cheerful and optimistic in spite of physical infirmities.

A peddlers' parade will be held on the Congregational church lawn Wednesday afternoon and evening, July 3, beginning at four o'clock. There will be a sale of food, ice cream, cakes, peanuts, candor and various other wares. An attractive entertainment will be given in the evening. An energetic committee has charge of the entire affair which means a positive success.

The children of E. H. Priest, S. P. O'Leary and many besides have whooping cough. Fritz Puphol, who has worked for Hon. Geo. W. Sanderson as a farm hand for the last sixteen years, concluded his services this week.

Brooks Cook, who has occupied the Merryfield bungalow and worked for the Merrimack Valley Paper Co. in New York, to engage in his former occupation of bee farming. Mrs. Cook will visit friends in New Hampshire before going to Hudson to live.

Mr. Merryfield plans to add a second story to his bungalow and large the piazza and make few further improvements which will be undertaken at once.

An interesting missionary meeting was held in the Baptist vestry last week Wednesday afternoon. At the close of the literary program the Rev. E. N. Robinson served lemonade and cake.

G. Frank Hibbard is out with an attractive and substantial covered wagon to be used in connection with his business in vacuum cleaning. Mr. Hibbard will work for G. D. Winfield of Ayer during the month of July, substituting for the clerks as they take their vacations.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh McDonald and daughter Margaret, Mr. and Mrs. A. H. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. C. E. McDonald, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. McEnnis and daughter Esther attended the wedding and reception of Miss Mabel J. McDonald and Morris L. Quinlan in Westford Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Marsh of Colorado are rejoicing in the arrival of a grandson. Roland Houghton and the Misses Clara and Myrtle Fletcher and Dorothy Roberts attended class day at the Fitchburg Normal school last Saturday.

Mrs. Clarence Jackson has been entertaining two nieces from New Hampshire. Hayward Canney has spent the week with his home people at the Common.

William F. Conant and family, of Arlington Heights, have spent the week at A. F. Conant's. The Ladies' Alliance held a meeting on last week Thursday. Much business received attention, and among the things accomplished was the election of committees for the annual church fair which will be held on October 25.

The King's Daughters have added to their furnishings for the sick room a fine wheel chair with rubber tires. The chair is sent a box of useful articles to the floating hospital this week. W. Ward Brackett, who has been supervisor of drawing in Littleton, Acton and Westford for many years, has accepted a similar position in Greenfield, Conn., for next year. Much regret is expressed by the people of this district that so good a teacher should be allowed to leave us when a raise of salary might have retained him.

P. S. Whitcomb has recently installed a telephone in his house at the Center. Mrs. S. E. Whitcomb, whose interest in town has found expression in gifts for the benefit of the public, has recently presented a flag to be placed on the library building.

Miss Margaret Thacher entertained a number of friends at her home on Monday evening. The party was given in honor of several friends who recently visited her.

Fred L. Sawyer, of Cambridge, a graduate of Harvard college, with fifteen years' experience in teaching, recently principal of high school and superintendent of schools in Block Island, has accepted the principalship of the Littleton high school.

The reunion of the Conant family was held in the Donlon cottage at Sandy pond on Wednesday. Forty-five members were present and reports were read of absent members. An outline was given of the trip to Labrador, which Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Conant are to take in the interest of various papers. They leave home on July 25, for the north. At present they are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Joiner in Princeton, N. J.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Kimball spent Thursday with Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo Kimball in Gardner. Their brother had weakened somewhat since they had seen him, and symptoms were not altogether favorable. Clifford Shedd had his shoulder opened for the third time last Sunday.

A. Heywood Knowlton begins work in J. F. Thacher's store today for the vacation season. Miss Ida E. Dow and her pupils will give a recital and dance in Littleton town hall on Monday, July 2, at eight o'clock. The assisting pianists are Miss Ida E. Dow, Mabel A. Franck, Minnie L. Smith, soprano; Frank C. Cummings, tenor; Ernest M. Sheldon, violin; Mrs. Emma L. Dow, reader; Gladys L. Gordon, pianist.

Pinckneyville News. Mrs. John A. Wright and Miss Laura D. Amnden attended the twenty-fifth anniversary observance of Prof. H. S. Cowell's principalship at Cushing academy, Ashburnham, last week. They were both pupils at Cushing academy under Prof. Cowell.

Miss Kittle Stebbins, of New York city, visited her aunt, Mrs. Horace Amnden, on Monday and Tuesday of this week. Mrs. George Amnden and daughter, Miss Laura; also, a niece, Miss Florence Amnden, who has been visiting them, went on Wednesday to their summer home in Petersham for a few weeks.

Miss Cora Brown left town on Thursday for Weymouth, N. H., where she will visit and afterwards will spend a few weeks with relatives in Morgan, Vt. Alumni Banquet. The alumni banquet of Littleton high school was held in the town hall on Wednesday evening, June 26. A hundred and six persons sat down

to one of Mrs. Robert Roberts' good spreads, consisting of chicken, put-ting sliced ham, eggs, salad, olives, rolls, ice cream, cake and coffee. In the absence of the president, H. Malcolm Priest presided. The officers of last year were re-elected.

Mr. Priest introduced as the toastmaster of the occasion one of our former high school principals, Arthur Johnson, now of Cincinnati, Ohio, who was greeted with genuine cordiality and hearty applause. Mr. Johnson's ready and pleasing personality contribute not a little to his general qualifications for the office which he admirably filled. Thayer's orchestra, of Pepperell, rendered brilliant music at intervals throughout the evening.

Miss Hurd, of Somerville, a former high school assistant, delighted the audience with piano solos. Miss Ida E. Dow, accompanied by Miss Nedham, sang in good voice two solos that were highly received. Letters were read from Edward Moore and Prof. L. L. Conant. Mrs. Frank Priest, the only member present from the class that graduated twenty-five years ago, the first to receive diplomas from the school, spoke briefly of her class and recited "Home folks," by J. W. Riley. Chester M. Hartwell brought greetings from Detroit. Miss Miriam Cash responded for the class of 1912. Benson Priest brought greetings from New Jersey and paid a very high tribute to our high school which has furnished East Orange with the only lady member of its school board. Goldsmith Conant compared the school of east and west. The festivities closed with the singing of "God be with you till we meet again."

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank of Pepperell, at East Pepperell, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, June 14, 1912.

Resources. Loans and Discounts, \$136,204.37. Overdrafts, secured and unsecured, 42.06. U. S. Bonds to secure circulation, 50,000.00. Bonds, Securities, etc., 130,702.23. Banking House, Furniture, and fixtures, 1,050.00. Due from approved Reserve Agents, 21,765.32. Notes of other National Banks, 245.00. Fractional Paper Currency, 73.52. Lawful Money Reserve in Banks, 3,597.55. Specie, 13,497.55. Legal-tender notes, 8,310.00. Redemption fund, 2,500.00. Treasurer's 5 percent circulation, 2,500.00. Total, \$365,990.70.

Liabilities. Capital stock paid in, 50,000.00. Surplus fund, 10,000.00. Undivided Profits, 5,331.763. National Bank Notes Outstanding, 50,000.00. Dividends unpaid, 19.00. Individual deposits subject to check, 249,437.29. Cashier's checks outstanding, 32.19. United States Deposits, 455.59. Total, \$365,990.70.

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, I, H. F. Tarbell, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. H. F. TARBELL, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this 26th day of June, 1912. George G. Tarbell, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest: E. D. Howe, Arthur P. Wright, Directors.

Fine Village Farm. Fourteen Acre Farm, located on Main Street, right in the center of town. Three minutes' walk to churches, town hall, office and schools. Seventeen room house with town water, good-sized barn, garage and hen house. All in fine condition. One hundred Apple trees. Would make a fine place to take boarders or lease. To be sold to settle estate. Price, \$4,800.00. KEMP & BENNETT, East Pepperell, Mass.

Dr. F. R. MacGrail, Dentist. Cor. Lowell and Grotton Streets EAST PEPPERELL, MASS. Telephone Connection 17.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Prate to the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of FRANKLIN H. WAREEN, late of said County, deceased. Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to AUGUSTA M. WAREEN of Townsend in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the fifteenth day of July, A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to publish this citation in each week for three successive weeks in the Townsend Tocsin, a newspaper published in said County, and in each publication to be one day, at least, before said Court. Witness my hand and the seal of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve. 3142 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Prate to the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES P. HARTWELL, late of Littleton in said County, deceased. Whereas, certain instruments purporting to be the last will and testament of said one CHARLES P. HARTWELL have been presented to said Court for Probate, by LUCINDA L. HARTWELL, who prays that letters testamentary thereon be granted to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of July, A. D. 1912, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks in the Littleton Tocsin, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-sixth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and twelve. 3142 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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