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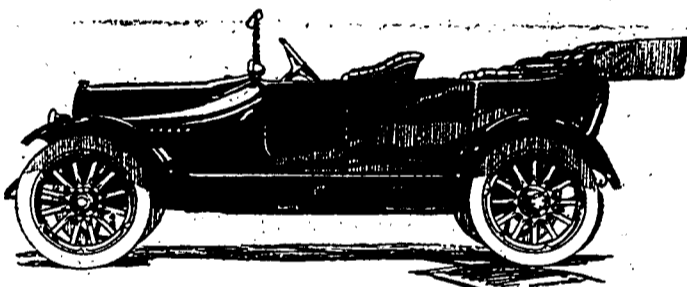
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LITTLETON.

News Items.

On March 2 the selectmen will be in their office and all bills against the town must be rendered on or before that date in order that the books may be closed and reports sent to publishers at the usual date.

The Backlog sunset party, in charge of Mr. and Mrs. G. Frank Hibbard and other able members, will be held in the town hall on Monday afternoon and night, February 23. Dancing for the children from 4:30 to six o'clock, and for the older people from eight to twelve o'clock. Miss Etta Green will play for dancing in the afternoon and Hibbard's orchestra of Lowell will play in the evening. Supper will be served as usual at six o'clock. Mr. and Mrs. Alex Gregory and assistants will make ample provisions for that part of the entertainment.

Miss Etta Ewings is visiting in Brockton this week.

Bad travelling and conflicting attractions made the attendance at the grange somewhat smaller than usual on Wednesday evening. The speaker, Mrs. E. O. Marshall, of New Salem, secretary of the Massachusetts State grange committee on the protection of wild birds, gave a very instructive talk on the subject of "Birds," exhibiting charts with colored pictures of many varieties. Mrs. Marshall discussed the different families and varieties of the feathered kingdom, their habits, nests, etc., the feeding of birds through winter months and especially emphasized legislation for the protection of birds. She is a thorough student of her subject and conducts nature classes in her home town. The lecture was received with deep interest and gratifying appreciation.

Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Somes attended the British ball in Symphony hall, Boston, Friday night. Mrs. Somes afterwards went to her brother's in Beachmont for a visit of a few days.

Through the courtesy of the grange and the Dairy Improvement association the public will have an opportunity to hear Mr. Morgan of Amesbury Agricultural college, who will lecture in the town hall on "Community service." Mr. Morgan is an unusually good speaker and many Littleton people are anxious to hear him discuss the above subject.

The Woman's club meeting slated for February 23, has been postponed to March 2.

The Baptist Woman's Mission Circle met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Everett Kimball, the ladies at the Common forming a party and going in Henry Cooper's double sled. Miss Rachel Curwell conducted the meeting, suggesting many interesting questions relating to immigration which were freely discussed. At the

next meeting officers will be chosen for the ensuing year.

The Baptist prayer meeting this week was held with Mrs. George F. Locke, King street. Next week Friday it will be held at the parsonage.

There was a very good attendance at the Baptist service on last Sunday morning despite the severe cold and bad travelling. The "long distance" families being numerous present.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Brown received news on Tuesday of the death of Mrs. Brown's niece, Mrs. Frank McIntyre, of Waltham. Mrs. McIntyre lived for many years in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Brown, though she was better known in Harvard than in Littleton. She leaves one child, a daughter, two years of age.

The Baptist C. E. society will hold its mission Study class session on Sunday evening at six o'clock. Topic, "Immigrant perils and problems."

The Littleton churches have occasional union meetings throughout the year. They have their own home church day. They have used the "Go-to-church Sunday" idea to encourage attendance. They seek the welfare of the people and the people realize it and respond. They will be interested in the discussion on Sunday evening at the union service in the Baptist church of the claims of the church upon us all.

We are in receipt of a communication from V. T. Esten, but owing to extra work in the office getting different town reports set up we have not had the chance to get to work on it this week. As soon as spare time arrives we will print it.

The Odd Fellows will hold their regular meeting on Tuesday evening on account of the legal holiday on Monday.

There will be a dance in the town hall this Saturday evening under the auspices of the Odd Fellows and Odd Ladies' lodges.

The Odd Fellows have engaged the Dramatic club of the M. E. church of Grantville to present the drama "The district attorney," March 5.

Death. Many Littleton friends attended the funeral of the late Timothy Sullivan at St. Elizabeth's church in West Acton Thursday forenoon. Interment was in Ayer beside the grave of his life companion, whose death occurred some sixteen months ago.

J. W. Ames. About two years ago Mr. and Mrs. Sullivan, having become infirm, sold their farm and went to West Acton to live with their daughter, Miss Nellie Sullivan, who has been a faithful and devoted daughter. It was at her home that Mr. Sullivan passed away on last Monday after an illness of four weeks at the age of eighty-nine years. The deceased was a man of estimable character and enjoyed the friendship of many people in this town and neighboring communities who will mourn his loss.

Three daughters survive him—Mrs. George Ames, Mrs. Nellie Sullivan, of West Acton, Mrs. John Collins, of Brookline, and one sister, Mrs. William Ryan, of Groton.

Electric Road Question Again.

In spite of deep drifts and cold weather the Littleton people ventured out last Sunday morning and church attendance was very good. Through the courtesy of J. P. Thacher, who took a large two-horse sled, it was possible for a number of people to attend the morning service. At no time in recent years has the need of electric trolleys from Groton to Littleton been better demonstrated than during the past week. There have been entertainments or rehearsals at the Center nearly every evening and the people have been greatly inconvenienced because of the lack of means of conveyance for the most part.

The perennial subject of electric cars in town is again under discussion and a note of this is being sent to some of the theories in circulation. Whether this is true or not we like to think that Littleton citizens are interested in the subject and ready to consider a proposition that would solve the problem of transportation.

Lincoln Class Supper.

On account of the weather and other unfavorable conditions the Lincoln class supper this year fell somewhat short of the usual attendance, but the tables were fully up to the standard of former years and the entertainment was of a high order. A feature that was much appreciated was the singing of our Littleton male quartet. Ed. Whitney, first tenor; J. W. Dodds, second tenor; Oliver Shedd, first bass; Edward Stone, second bass. These gentlemen sing with excellent effect and are fully capable of providing the whole or part of an evening's program as acceptably as many similar organizations brought from other places at greater expense. Miss Elsie Whitney played the accompaniments and earned a good share of the applause with which the singing was received. All were charmed with the solos of Miss Grace M. Caulkins, of Medford. A voice of extreme purity and range, well trained and accompanied by a pleasing manner made this a most acceptable part of the program. Miss Emma E. Tenney gave one of her excellent story readings.

HARVARD.

News Items.

Miss Olive Houghton goes this week with Fisk's Warrenton party to "hope, Ala." on a business trip. Miss Houghton goes as private secretary to Mr. Warren. While the trip means work there will be opportunity to enjoy the trip and see the country. The party expects to be gone about two weeks.

Joseph Savage, of Lakeville, was in town over Wednesday night. He is working as farm manager at the Lakeville sanitarium. He has eighty head of cattle in the dairy under his supervision.

Mary Davis is visiting this week with her uncle and family, James Murchie, Still River.

Miss Blanche Dadmum, of Somerville, is a week-end guest at O. A. Fairbank's on Lovers' Lane.

The town officers are at work this week arranging the town accounts preparatory to getting out the annual town report.

Road breakers are out this week on the hill roads and find some good old-fashioned drifts to contend with. The work is not without its pleasantness, however. The McGee crew on the Oak Hill district were served with coffee and cake while out last Sunday through the thoughtfulness of Mrs. George Brown. Our rural carrier, Mr. Hynes, has found some difficulty in making schedule time over his route, but by arranging his trips has managed to serve his entire trip of twenty-three miles every day.

Miss Florence Gleason, a teacher at Winchendon, and a friend of our immediate teacher, Miss Flora Oakes, spent last Saturday and Sunday here at the home of Mrs. Harris-horn.

Miss Marion Farnsworth, of Ayer, was a week-end guest last week at the home of her uncle, Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Farnsworth.

The pupils of the Bromfield school will give a concert, entertainment and dance, postponed on account of weather, on Tuesday evening, February 24.

In connection with the men's supper to be given next week there will be a white apron and candy sale by the Ladies' Benevolent society.

Deaths.

Friends of Mrs. S. J. Savage and family sympathize sincerely with them over the loss of her daughter, Mrs. J. C. R. Clarke, of Lancaster, who was before her marriage Miss Ethel Savage, of this town. Her death was the result of complications following the birth of her last child. Funeral services were held at the Episcopal church at Clinton on Wednesday, an interment was at Lancaster. Her loss is a crushing blow to her husband who was devoted to her and to her son, Hugh Clarke, a sturdy boy to whom a motherly love and care has been so much, and to her mother and father and immediate family. She was taken in her youth, having just passed her thirty-third birthday. She leaves her husband, one son Hugh, her infant baby, and is survived by her father, mother and four brothers, Fred, Willie, Louis and Edwin Savage.

She was a girl of sweet and lovable disposition and no words can express the remorse that is felt on the sympathy that is extended to those who are left in grief. Her death occurred on Sunday morning, February 15.

Still River.

Owing to the deep snow there was no service at the Baptist church last Sunday. Also, for some reason the lecture advertised to have been given

Geo. H. Brown

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at a big reduction from their former prices. Remember that the prices quoted below are genuine reductions from our former low selling prices on our high grade merchandise. Read carefully the following items as you are sure to find something that will interest you:

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Balance of our stock of Men's and Youth's Fancy Mixture Suits. Many Shuman Suits among this lot.

\$10.00 Suits marked down to	\$7.47
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Every Overcoat at a Cut Price

\$5.00 Overcoats marked down to	\$3.47
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\$8.50 Overcoats marked down to	\$6.47

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\$2.00 Working Trousers now	\$1.69
\$2.50 and \$3.00 Working Trousers now	\$1.98
\$3.00 and \$3.50 Working Trousers now	\$2.47
\$3.50 and \$4.00 Fancy Worsted Trousers	\$2.98
\$5.00 Fancy Worsted Trousers now	\$3.47

SHOE DEPARTMENT

One lot of Queen Quality and Mayfair makes of shoes in Kid, Gun Metal and Patents, regular \$2.50, \$3.00 and \$3.50 grades, for this sale	\$1.48
Misses' High Cut Storm Boots in Tan or Black, in Button or Lace, regular \$2.00 and \$2.50 quality reduced for this sale to	\$1.69
One lot of Women's Tan Button Boots, regular \$3.00 quality, reduced to	\$2.39
One lot of Growing Girls' Tan Button Boots, a \$2.50 quality, reduced to	\$1.98
One lot of Men's Felt Combinations with a Two-buckle Duck Rubber, a \$3.25 quality for	\$2.69

A FEW SPECIAL BARGAINS

Men's White Handkerchiefs	3¢
Men's Police Braces	15¢
Men's 50c. Police Braces	35¢
Way's Mufflers, 50c. grade	25¢
Boys' and Misses' Yarn Toques, 50c. grade, all colors	35¢
President Suspenders for this sale	35¢

WINTER CAPS

Every Cap Marked Down	
25c. Winter Caps for Boys	19¢
50c. Winter Caps for Men	39¢
\$1.00 Winter Caps for Men	79¢
\$1.50 Men's Winter Caps	\$1.00
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Men's Coat Sweaters worth \$3.00 to \$4.00	\$1.98
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George H. Brown

By Rev. Mr. Ringrose of Fitchburg on Tuesday evening was indefinitely postponed.

There will not be any services here Sunday evening, February 22 and account of the annual temperance meeting, which will be at the town hall, Harvard.

John Pelice, superintendent at the New England Brick Co.'s yard, received word of sickness of relatives in Italy Wednesday and started immediately for that country. He plans to be gone several weeks.

Mrs. John Neyland is very sick and but slight hopes of her recovery. Mrs. Dennis Neyland and son of Leadville are now there.

Deaths.

Saturday morning word was received of the death of Mrs. Ethel (Savage) Clark, wife of John C. L. Clark of Lancaster. Mrs. Clark was well known here and her husband and family have the sincere sympathy of all in this great sorrow. The funeral was from the Episcopal church in Clinton on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. J. R. Bigelow, Mrs. C. H. Haskell, Mrs. J. P. Sprague, Helen Stone, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Haynes, Blanche Willard, Eliza Bateman, Miss Katharine L. Lawrence and Fred Savage from Still River attended. Mrs. Clark leaves a husband and two sons, also her mother, father and four brothers. She was a very lovable young woman and she will be sadly missed from her associates of Lancaster, Harvard and Clinton.

Thursday word was received of the death from her home in Southville of Mrs. Helen (Whitney) Cheney, wife of Royal Cheney. Mrs. Cheney was a native of Still River, where she always lived until a few years ago when she sold the home place and moved to Southville. The funeral was to have been Saturday and Fred Bateman went there, but owing to the great snow fall it was impossible to get roads broke out so funeral was held on Monday. Her body was placed in the receiving tomb at Southville and in the spring it will be brought to their lot in Bellevue cemetery, Harvard. She leaves a husband and son, also one sister, Mrs. Mary Thorndike, who is now in Bermuda for the winter and a brother, Edward of Providence, R. I.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

The meeting of the grange on last week Friday evening was a valentine party in charge of Maria Steele, Hazel Morse, Luther Furbush and Ralph Smith. After cupid's arrow had pierced many a heart the gentlemen selected the lady whose heart corresponded with his own in number and marched to the dining hall where all the wounds were soothed by the excellent salad supper prepared by a committee consisting of Mrs. John Cobleigh, Mrs. S. B. Hager, Mrs. Irving Clark, Mrs. Hilbert Graves and Martha Hale. This supper was won by the gentlemen in the two competi-

tive entertainments. The tables were artistically arranged and a valentine given each member.

For the first time for several years the roads have been blocked so that the mail carrier, milkman, grocer and fishman were unable to get through and we have had the pleasure of seeing a four-horse team and a big gang of men breaking out roads in the real old-fashioned way. That our road men have not forgotten how to make a good road is testified by all who come through and speak of the excellent way the work is done. The coffee and doughnuts furnished by Mrs. Linwood Richardson were greatly appreciated by the ten shovellers on two forenoons and brought memories of old days when cider was always furnished by the citizens.

Miss Grace Neudeck, of Worcester, who has given such excellent satisfaction as teacher at No. 1 school, closes her work there this week and returns to the Normal school in Worcester in order to receive her diploma. A teacher from Northampton is to take her place.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Richardson and George Richardson went to Stow grange on Tuesday evening to witness the conferring of the third and fourth degrees.

The selectmen will be at the town hall on February 23 to finish the accounts for the year and all bills want to be sent in on or before that date.

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How to Reduce Flesh.
As a change from the strenuous exercises usually advised for obesity by expensive specialists why not embody these gymnastics in the everyday task, thereby adding interest to the tasks and grace to the body? If your waist is inclined to thickness you can incline it to suppleness by always washing your hands in the bottom of the bathtub. Do this, if possible, without bending the knee. If faithfully pursued this little practice will accomplish as much as ten minutes of bending exercises.

Have you a desire to improve your carriage and add weight to your appearance? Have the hooks in your wardrobe almost beyond your reach so that every time you go for your hat or a garment you will have to stretch your arms upward and stand on tip-toe.
Do not sit down to put on your shoes and stockings. You may have to perform all sorts of queer antics to accomplish your purpose, but the bending exercise you go through in doing so is worth more than those of the gymnastics, because you will work harder with a tangible object in view.

Hairbrushing is a wearisome task, but if the desire to move with grace is put into every stroke and if the wrist is held firm the action is certain to be an excellent hand and wrist exercise. If you do your own marketing walk to and from the market briskly, taking long, even strides and swinging the limb from the hip without bending the knee. All the bending and reaching exercises of your household work may be transformed into benefits if they only will be considered in that light and if the mind will work with the body in tabulating them as beneficial exercises instead of physical exertions.

HOUSEHOLD HINT.

How to Make Convenient Paper Covers For Leftovers.

The housekeeper uses all sorts of dishes—cups, tumblers, pitchers and tins—as receptacles for the leftovers that are inevitable in housework. The white of an egg, a little apple sauce, pieces of butter, half a tumblerful of cream—countless odds and ends have to be saved. Frequently they occupy a large part of the pantry crockery. Most of the improvised receptacles lack covers, yet it is important to protect the contents. Paper covers will do the work. They are light, clean and convenient and once the knack is acquired are easy to make. Filter paper, such as chemists use, is the best for the purpose. It is inexpensive and so soft and tough that it can be folded several times without breaking.

Cut out a square piece twice the size of the top of the tumbler or dish to be covered. Clip off the four corners; then with your left hand hold the octagonal piece in place upon the tumbler. Roll the projecting edges of the paper inward and upward and press them against the outside of the tumbler or dish.

If you have made the cap correctly you can easily remove it from any smooth edged receptacle, such as a tumbler, and use it again and again.

How to Use Dried Fruit.

Take the required quantity of the dried fruit, rinse well under running water, then soak in fresh water for about fourteen hours. Next prepare a sirup to taste by adding best white sugar to boiling water. When the sirup has come to the boil place the soaked fruit very carefully in the sirup and allow it to simmer for fifteen minutes. On no account let the sirup boil when once the fruit is in it, as if you do it will become pulpy and unpalatable.

Serve cold or hot, as required, as stewed fruit or in pies and tarts.

To make jam prepare the dried fruit as for stewing. Place the required quantity of soaked fruit in a preserving pan and add one pound of the best white sugar for each pound of soaked fruit. The time is as with the fresh fruit, but it is necessary to add more water.

Moreover, one pound of dried fruit will make four pounds of jam.

How to Care For Overshoes.

When buying overshoes be careful to see that you get those that have not been left over from last season. Even the best quality will deteriorate during the heat of summer and wear out much faster than the new stock.

The cracks in rubber overshoes, which will soon result in holes, rendering the shoe useless, may be nicely mended with a piece of surgeon's adhesive plaster. Fit a piece of rubber or thick felt into the heel and then cover this with the plaster. It will be a protection against wear.

When rubbers look old apply a coating of patent leather shoe polish and they will be like new.

How to Remove Match Scratches.

When paints have become scratched with matches rub them first with a slice of lemon and then wash with soap and water. This removes all traces of the match scratches.

TOWNSEND.
Center.
Master Ernest L. Dow gave a party to his friends and schoolmates Monday evening, the occasion being his twelfth birthday. About seventeen were present and games were played during the evening. Refreshments were served and Ernest was the recipient of several nice presents. The little folks stayed until about ten o'clock.

Mrs. Minnie Withers, of Boston, was a week-end guest at Mr. and Mrs. George Tarbell's.

Don't forget the special meeting at the grove on Tuesday evening, instead of Monday, when town affairs will be discussed and the warrant for the coming town meeting will be read.

The Country club and "Old City" friends and neighbors of Mrs. Charles Allen, matron at the town farm, who resides at Old City, regret very much her death, which occurred this week at West Townsend. Mr. and Mrs. Allen moved from Lunenburg to Old City, where during their stay they made many friends, and when they accepted their position at the town farm the absence was regretted. Mrs. Allen is the mother of the Misses Armstrong, of Fitchburg, and Leominster, who are twin sisters and step-mother to Mrs. Clarence Sherman, of this town.

Robert Teehan, of Boston, and Louise Teehan of Manchester, N. H., were week-end guests at Robert Smith's.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur P. Bliss of Needham visited relatives in town last week.

Townsend received its share of the blizzard last Saturday and also has come in for some cold weather the past week and this week. Thermometer registering anywhere from 16° to 26° below zero several mornings. The snow fall was from 14 to 18 inches as reported from different parts of the town.

The senior class of the high school will hold a memorial hall on Monday, February 23, at 8 o'clock p. m. Ice cream, food, fancy and candy tables will be well supplied for the occasion. The rural play in four acts, "Home Ties," will be given at eight o'clock with the following cast of characters:
Martin Winn, with memories of the past
Dwight Moody
Leonard Everett, a son of the soil
Jan Rusk
Harold Vincent, from New York
Charles Howard
Josiah Tizzard, an umbrella mender
Claude Fessenden
Ivith Winn, Martin's daughter
Helen Tarbell
Alma Wayne, her friend from the city
Aunt Melissa, Martin's sister
Alice Davis
Mrs. Poplin, a widow with a pension
Lindy Jane, who "helps around"
Hazel Richardson

Concert and Ball.

The annual concert and ball given by the Squannacook Steamer Company at Memorial hall last week Friday night was a decided success in every way, it being one of the largest and most costly parties ever held here. The concert given by the State Glee and orchestra was of its usual high order, the cornet solo by Nelson Bernier being the chief attraction, and he always gets a hearty welcome in this town. A very fine trombone solo was also given by a member of the orchestra. After the concert dancing was enjoyed from nine to two o'clock. The grand march with 103 couples was led by Mr. and Mrs. Mark Colby. This did not begin to comprise the people or dances given, and many did not join in the march and the gallery was filled to overflowing with interested spectators, some of whom danced later.

At intermission a fine oyster, meat and pastry supper was served in the banquet hall. The boys were fortunate to escape the big storm which started as the dance ended. The large crowd was handled in an admirable manner and the several "speakers" upon the premises were not kept busy except to prohibit the use of matches and rag time dancing, and very little trouble was given, the hall being posted for the occasion.

Town Meeting.

The annual town meeting will be held on Monday, March 2, at ten in the morning at Memorial hall as usual. The warrant has been posted and contains twenty-nine articles for election of a moderator, necessary officers and committees for the ensuing year. The committee for suppression of vice and illegal sale of intoxicating liquors and those upon the licenses question and raising and appropriating money for highways, bridges, breaking snow roads, lighting, support of poor, etc. Following are the articles:

Article 4. To decide whether money refunded to the town on account of the dog license shall be used for public library or schools.

Arts. 10 and 11. To see if the town will vote to accept from the late Sara H. Spaulding and from Mrs. L. Lawrence the sum of \$100.00 each, the income to be used for the perpetual care of the Jonathan Spaulding and Stephen King lots.

Art. 12. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to lay out lots and grade the avenue in the Center cemetery, or act in any way in relation thereto.

Art. 13. To see if the town will vote to instruct the treasurer to transfer from the cemetery funds to the town treasury \$50.00 and to appropriate \$25.00 to be expended for cemetery purposes, according to the provisions of the will of the late James N. Tucker.

Art. 14. By request of the auditors to see if the town will vote to adopt some suitable method of keeping the accounts of the cemetery commissioners and say whether the same shall be kept by the town treasurer or by the cemetery commissioners.

Art. 15. To raise and appropriate a sum of money for the placing of electric lights on Highland street.
Art. 16. To raise and appropriate a sum of money to rebuild the stage in Memorial hall or take any action relative to rebuilding or improving said stage, that will meet with the requirements of the inspector of Buildings of the State Police, who has condemned the arrangements of the stage as it now appears, forbidding its use where scenery is used.
Art. 17. To raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to make necessary repairs in Memorial hall building.
Art. 18. To raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to shingle or slate Memorial hall building.
Art. 19. To raise and appropriate the sum of \$500.00 for the building of permanent roads.
Art. 20. To choose a committee to consider the advisability of rebuilding the Hildreth bridge, on the Fitchburg road, with instructions to report at some future town meeting.

Art. 21. To vote on the question: "Shall the town accept the provision of Section 42 of Chapter 514 of the

Acts of the Year 1909 as affected by Chapter 494 of the Acts of the year 1911, which provide that eight hours shall constitute a day's work for town employees?" See Chapter 822, Section 1, Acts of 1913.

Art. 22. To see if the town will petition the Director of the Bureau of Statistics for an audit with the provisions of Chapter 698, Acts of 1910, and amendments thereof.

Arts. 23 and 24. To authorize the town treasurer to borrow money in anticipation of revenue for the financial years of 1914 and 1915.

Art. 25. To direct the tax collector to charge interest upon all taxes not paid at a specified time.

Art. 26. To see if the town will fix a time when taxes shall be paid.

Art. 27. To raise and appropriate a sum of \$150.00 for the purpose of painting Seminary hall at West Townsend.

Art. 28. To raise and appropriate a sum of money sufficient to purchase a suitable tract of land and the erection of a modern one-room rural school building on Bayberry hill, or act in any way thereto.

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Mrs. Amelia Allen, wife of Charles Allen, overseer at the town farm, died at two o'clock, Tuesday morning from the effects of three shocks, the last attack coming but a few hours before her death. Her illness has been but a little more than a week in duration and her death is a sudden and severe blow to her husband and children. She was born in New York in 1860 and was the widow of Mr. Armstrong of Lunenburg by whom she leaves three children—Walter Armstrong of Webster and Lura and Lora Armstrong of Leominster. She was married to Mr. Allen quite recently and they have been but a year in charge of the town farm, but are exceedingly well liked by all and much sympathy is expressed for Mr. Allen.

Everett W. Seaver of the Center has been spending a few days with his brother, G. A. Seaver.

Thomas Smith has been on the sick list for the past few days.

Charles Streeter of Everett, who has been for several weeks in the hospital with pneumonia, is visiting his father, Clarence Streeter, at Mrs. Frank Farrar's.

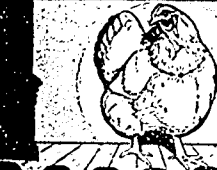
Mrs. Hattie Blood, who has been quite ill, is improving. Her daughter, Mrs. Lillian Marshall, from New York is with her at present.

While driving up to this village last Tuesday Superintendent of Schools Knight with Mr. Higgins and A. S. Howard of the Center were spilled out just a short distance below the railroad crossing. In turning out for another team they struck a big drift and in some way the body of the sleigh became detached from the runners and was left with its passengers beside the road, while the frightened horse ran as far as Father's table, where it was caught and it was found the occupants were not injured by their experience.

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