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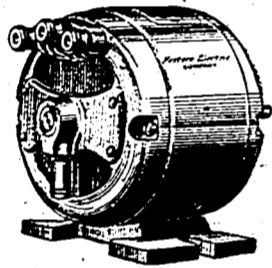
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### TOWNSEND

Center.  
The Methodist young people were pleasantly entertained on Wednesday evening by Dr. and Mrs. Charlton at the Methodist parsonage. A delightful musical program was given during the evening and plans suggested by the pastor for organizing an Epworth league. Refreshments were served by the hostess and an evening of enjoyment spent by the large number of young people present.

About twelve of the past noble grands of the E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge, accompanied by the present noble grand, Helen Dobson, attended the past noble grands' picnic at Whitcomb on Thursday and report an enjoyable trip by auto, a delightful outing at the park and a pleasant reunion of the lodge officers.

Mr. and Mrs. Perley M. Eastman, of Albany, N. Y., are enjoying a two-weeks' vacation with their father, George L. Eastman, and Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur H. Seales at the Eastman homestead.

C. E. evening topic for Sunday, "What Christianity has done for the world." Lender, Charles S. Howard. Rev. Benjamin A. Willmott, of the Emmanuel Walnut avenue Congregational church, Roxbury, a former pastor, will occupy the pulpit at the Congregational church on Sunday morn-

ing. The former parishioners and friends of Mr. Willmott will be pleased to give him a cordial welcome and pleasant greetings.  
At the Methodist church on Sunday Rev. Dr. George F. Durgin, president of Union college, Nashville, Tenn., who has a summer home in Popperell, will deliver a sermon at the morning service, preceded by a five-minute talk by Rev. E. C. Charlton on "Bayberry hill elder." Dr. Charlton's evening topic will be "Diplomacy."

Mrs. Frank A. Woods and little Miss Flora are spending a week in Needham as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bliss, formerly of this town.  
The Townsend A. A. will play the Fitchburg Rovers at Athletic park on Saturday afternoon.

Little Miss Beatrice Arlin was given a birthday party on Wednesday afternoon in honor of her fifth birthday anniversary. The little girl was made happy by receiving a nice birthday cake, a pile of money and various other remembrances.

Mrs. Clara Sheldon has been absent for a season from the office of the B. & A. D. Fessenden Company on account of the illness of her mother, Mrs. Ella Sheldon, of Ashby. Their many friends are glad to know that Mrs. Sheldon is improving since her recent operation at the Worcester Memorial hospital.  
Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Struthers left Thursday morning on their annual

vacation to be spent at their summer home in Nelson, N. H.  
Alonzo L. Eaton has purchased a new Ford car.

### Death.

Sunday morning Lorraine Mattie Eaton, widow of the late Boardman Eaton, passed from this life into the beyond, after a brief illness of heart trouble at the home of Henry Cowdry, for whom she was employed as housekeeper. The deceased was born in Fitchburg, October 6, 1842, and had been a resident of Lunenburg, Worcester and West Townsend before making her family home in town. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Florence G. Tidd of Revere and two sons, Frank B. and Alonzo L. of this town, also a nephew, Edward Worcester, and three nieces, Miss Nellie Worcester, who has so faithfully cared for her aunt, and the Misses Mary and Josephine Worcester, all residents of Worcester.

Mrs. Eaton's lot was to pass through not a little suffering which she bore with heroism. Almost her last words were "I want to go home." Her end was peace, the after glow of years well spent in ministrations to others. Her fondness for children and her thought and kindness to dumb animals was especially visible throughout her life.

Although Mrs. Eaton was of a quiet retiring nature her spirit of self sacrifice won her many friends.

Funeral services were held Wednesday at 2:30 o'clock at the home of Henry Cowdry, Rev. E. C. Charlton of the Methodist church officiating. Mrs. Lillian Cowdry sang very touching farewells, "The home land" and "Sweet be thy rest." The bearers were Henry Cowdry, George L. Eastman, Perley Eastman and Maynard Carper. Interment was in the family lot at the Center cemetery.

### Harbor.

Owing to the irregularity of the mails, due to the new items of last week did not reach the office of this paper in season for publication, but some of the more important ones will be found on another page.

Mrs. Jennie Taylor and Mrs. Ida Keenan spent Tuesday in Fitchburg. James Bowfield, of North Adams, is a guest of his sister and brother-in-law, Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Blake.

Stephen Keefe and family moved on Thursday to the Center and will occupy the house recently vacated by Mr. and Mrs. Packard. Harry Dustin and wife will move immediately into their new home in this village.

The daughters of Dr. Watkins, of Worcester, are visiting at Riverview, guests of Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Cummings.

Mrs. Lorenzo Doran is entertaining her brother, William F. Breen, from Fitchburg, at Dinewood.

Miss Ellen Harvey returned to Verona, N. J., last Sunday.

Mr. Rollstone and daughter, Miss Stella Rollstone, cousins of Mrs. Jennie Cooper, were recent guests at Chestnutridge.

The members of the Monday club were guests of Mrs. Florence Conant this week. The As You Like It club met with Mrs. Charles Warner.

Mr. and Mrs. Hagar are entertaining friends from New York at their home, Nissequasick.

Dr. Peters and sister-in-law, Miss Cushing, motored last Saturday to Northern New Hampshire, where they spent Sunday with friends.

The men in this vicinity appreciate the services of a barber in this village. Mr. Wetherbee has his parlors at the old hotel, where he serves the public on Wednesday and Saturday afternoons and evenings.

Mr. Dole and family, of Melrose, and Mr. Fletcher and family, of Fitchburg, have opened their homes for the season at South row.

Mrs. M. E. Covell, of Shelburne Falls, is a guest at Pinehurst.

### HARVARD

#### News Items.

The Nashaway Campfire Girls will hold a food sale on Harvard campus this week Saturday afternoon at three o'clock.

Prof. and Mrs. A. S. Richards returned to their home here this week after a very enjoyable trip to Norfolk, Va. Homer Richards is visiting with friends in Fall River.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wetherbee and Master Ralph Wetherbee of Columbus, Ohio, have been at his father's, Fred Wetherbee, for a week, also calling on friends and relatives here in town.

#### New Advertisements.

## 1916 Hudson Cars

We wish to announce that owing to the growth of their truck business, our former Fitchburg agents, Welch & Sutherland Co., has given up the sale of HUDSON cars, and that in the future we will handle the sales direct through our Fitchburg representative, Mr. D. B. Wheeler.

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Still River.  
Mrs. Ada Cook, of Lexington, is the guest to Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Robinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin Evans of New York, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. L. H. Howard last week. As a boy Mr. Evans lived in Still River for several years, his father being a pastor of the Baptist church.

Mrs. Jennie (Haynes) Spencer, of Leominster, has been the guest of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Haynes, a few days this week.  
Mrs. Hicks, who has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. Malcolm Campbell, returned to her home in Boston on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stebbins entertained her sister over Sunday.  
Mrs. Lugin is visiting her children in Worcester.

Mrs. L. H. Morse has been visiting relatives in Worcester this week.  
Bert Atherton, of Norfolk, Va., is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Atherton.

Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Morse are planning to start on a vacation Monday and will be away two Sundays.

William H. Gerrish, who was fatally burned in a Maiden garage last Sunday evening, was a former resident of Still River and has many friends here, who were saddened to hear of his death.

#### BOUND TO COME BACK

Fogarty (a moderate drinker)—"I'll bet you th' Rogshians are beginning to get th' loss of vodka."  
Flaherty (warmly)—"Don't ye lose any slape over it. Mar-rah me wur-ruds, they'll retake it again before long!"

#### MILLIONS FOR HIGHWAYS

The highway commission will have nearly \$2,000,000 to spend this year on highways throughout the state, and a large part of this money comes from the registration of automobiles. The total amount received last year by the commission from this source is \$1,000,000. The number of machines registered is expected to reach 100,000. To date the record of registration for the whole year of 1914 has been exceeded with approximately 78,000 machines registered, while for the whole of last year the total only reached 77,248. Again last year's record was reached earlier this year than it was a year ago. To explain the high number of 1914 was issued early last month, while last year the high number of the year before was not issued until after the first of July. Actual figures for purposes of comparison are not available later than June first. Roughly speaking, they show a gain of thirty percent over those of a year ago, and since June first practically 2000 more machines have been registered. In addition to the amounts received for licenses, the state allows the commission another \$1,000,000 each year for general road work.



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Men's Nainsook ..... 25¢ each  
Men's Union Suits \$1.00, \$1.25 and \$1.50  
Boys' Union Suits ..... 50¢ and 75¢  
B. V. D. and Porosknit Union Suits ..... \$1.00

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Women's White Canvas Pumps \$1.50 to \$3.00

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Boys' Scout Suits	\$1.00 to \$2.00	Men's Belts	25¢ and 50¢
Children's Wash Suits	50¢ to \$1.50	Children's Rompers	50¢ and 75¢
Men's Summer Ties	15¢ to 50¢	Men's Thin Coats	50¢ to \$3.00

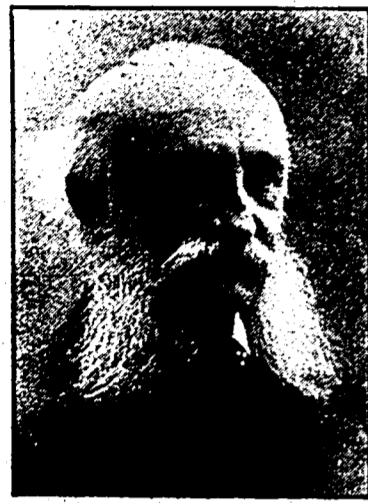
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Laurie and Little Women

At the present time we hear much of the life of the Alcott family in Harvard and there comes to us an echo as it were, of their home life on Still River after the removal from "Fruitlands" of the abandonment of the community plan of living...



DR. FREDERICK L. H. WILLIS

After some correspondence information has been obtained which may be of particular interest to Harvard readers. Frederick Llewellyn Howe Willis, the only child of Lorenzo Dow Willis and Eleanor Howe, his wife, was born in Cambridge, Mass., on January 29, 1856...



FREDERICK L. H. WILLIS (At the age of ten years)

The copies of photographs accompanying this article are furnished by Mrs. Linn. One is that of the Willises from a painting of him when ten years old, the other is of the same person late in life. These photographs have been placed in the collection of Fruitlands with those of other friends and associates of the Alcott family...

HARVARD

News Items. Mr. and Mrs. William S. John, of Fitchburg, spent last Sunday with their family. They returned by auto, taking Mrs. Alexander Lozier with them for a few days visit.

The evening party and dance given at the Catholic society here on Monday evening was a decided success. Upwards of 200 people attended and all had an exceptionally good time. This was a benefit for the church building fund and a very neat sum was cleared as a nucleus. Cleaves' orchestra gave splendid satisfaction.

The next regular meeting of Harvard Grange will be held on Tuesday evening, July 20. This will be devoted to third and fourth degree work. The ladies' team will confer the third degree.

Miss Dorothy Hildreth entertains this week-end the Misses Brown, of Cambridge, two of her friends. Mr. and Mrs. William Wheaton, for several years regular summer colonists with us, are here for a week-end. "The Elms," for a two-weeks' outing.

Miss Nellie Mongovin has a party of young ladies from Boston visiting with her for a couple of weeks—the Misses Golding, Macfarlane, Fitzgerald and Carroll.

Miss Clara E. Sears, closed her house here last week and is now at Nahant for a couple of months. Miss E. Maynard spent last week-end with her mother in Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. Arthur T. West, with two boys, Kenneth and Winslow West, returned Thursday after a week's visit with her relatives at City Point, South Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wetherbee, of Columbus, Ohio, returned on Thursday. They have been for the past week with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Weston, of Massachusetts, at their home.

REAL WILD WEST

John Willard, world's champion, will be in Fitchburg with the 1915 Famous Real Wild West, Saturday, July 17, accompanied by his manager, Thomas E. Jones, the only man who had unending faith in the big boy before the fight at Havana when all others abandoned at "the big bulk" as his enemies were apt to call him.

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Self Accused

By M. QUAD Copyright, 1914, by the McClure Newspaper Syndicate.

I had been practicing law in the town of Lancaster for about four years when James Higgins, merchant, was murdered. According to the testimony of his wife, they were aroused at midnight by a noise downstairs, and he went down to investigate. She heard angry words, followed by a shot, giving the alarm, it was found that the husband had been shot through the heart.

The first suspect arrested was the hostler at the bars of one of the hotels. He had been seen on the streets at midnight; he was known to have a pistol; he betrayed many signs of guilt when arrested. I was employed in his defense and after half an hour's talk with him came to the conclusion that he was guilty. He didn't admit his guilt, but at the same time he didn't deny it with the warmth expected of an innocent man.

A building contractor named Otis came to me to make a confession. He had reasons to suspect that Higgins had ruined his home, and when there was no longer any doubt in his mind he had determined to kill the man. I went to work on the case, but was labled over at the very outset. Mrs. Otis declared in the most emphatic way that she had never spoken a dozen words to Higgins and her husband had never intimated that he had the slightest cause for jealousy of any man, and, better than all, she could prove that from 10 o'clock in the evening until two hours after midnight on the night of the murder he was home and in bed and quite ill.

Those who said he was "off" in his head, but he talked and acted as a sane man and returned to his business as soon as released. The police now returned to their first theory. The deed had surely been done by some one who had entered the house for plunder. After some days they arrested a saloonkeeper in a town some five miles away, claiming to have a straight case against him, and the man had been under arrest three or four days when I came into the case again. A young man named Salters, who was a student of the state normal school, came to my house at 10 o'clock at night to make a confession. He was the murderer of Higgins. Higgins had accidentally got hold of some love letters which the young man had written and had refused to give them up for less than \$100. Not having the money to pay and being rendered desperate, he had gone to search the house at night. Salters told of the conversation when Higgins came down the stairs—how he got in and got out and all the details. I advised him to go to the police, and, as in the other case, they locked him up and felt sure that they had at last got the right man.

I was not retained by young Salters, who said that he would make no defense, but I set out to clear up a few points to satisfy my own curiosity. I was not long in ascertaining that he was not in love with any girl and had never been known to write a love letter, also that he was in a town twenty miles away on the night of the murder. When these facts became known to the police they had to drop their case, though Salters protested to the last that he was guilty.

There was one more instance, and it partook of the ridiculous at once. A one legged man named Wells, a resident of the town, gave himself up to the police as the murderer. He claimed to be a somnambulist and that the deed was done while he was asleep. He didn't think he ought to be punished, but he wanted to be tried and acquitted. Not one true statement did he make in his story, and he was told to take his leg and get out.

The hunt for the true criminal was kept up for a year, but he was never discovered. The police were no doubt right in the first theory. The man entered the house for plunder, and, being discovered, if not attacked, he fired the fatal shot and then escaped. It is more than likely that he was a stranger in the town.

You will naturally ask why those people charged themselves with the crime when they were not the least bit guilty. A physician could probably give you a clearer answer. My theory is that they had an intense argument with themselves how the crime was committed or how they would have committed it if they actually did commit it. Such cases are rare, and it must be for some such reason that courts often refuse to accept a plea of guilty and give the accused a fair trial for his life and liberty. There are people, as every lawyer and detective knows, who are anxious to be witnesses in a case and will perjure themselves on the stand without seeming to be aware of it, and it is carrying out this singular line of conduct or train of thought that one may come to accuse himself.

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Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by George F. Trew, of Greenfield, in the State of Connecticut, by Willard A. Munson, of Walpole, in the County of Norfolk, and said Commonwealth, and by Harold L. Frost, of Arlington, in said County of Middlesex, to register and confirm their title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situate about one mile south of the center of said Littleton, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the southwesterly corner of the land hereinafter described at a corner of a wall at the road leading from the center of said Littleton to Boston, and at land formerly of D. A. Kimball, thence running Northwesterly by a stone wall and ditch by said Kimball, land now or formerly of J. A. Priest and land now or late of Henry T. Taylor; thence Northwesterly on said Priest's land twenty-six (26) rods to land now or late of Hannah S. Smith; thence Northwesterly on said Smith's land of land now or late of Luther S. Warren near the spring; thence Southeasterly on land of said Warren and land now or late of Sophia K. Harwood to a corner of a wall at said Harwood's land; thence Southerly on said land as the wall stands to the town road; thence Southwesterly on said road to a certain bounds first mentioned. Containing ninety (90) acres more or less.

Petitioners claim as appurtenant to the above described land the right of passing over the lands now or late of D. A. Kimball, to and from the meadow; and also the rights under a certain boundary line agreement dated December 1, 1892, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 2551, Page 323. The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition, and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan. You are hereby cited to appear at the Land Court to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the twenty-sixth day of July, A. D. 1915, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon. Witness, Charles Thornton Davis, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this thirtieth day of June in the year nineteen hundred and fifteen. Attest with Seal of said Court. (Seal.) CLARENCE C. SMITH, Recorder.

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Saturday, July 17, 1915.

GROTON

Most of the children in town who have not had the mumps are likely to have them as they are widely prevalent here.

Groton has 2,333 in habitants, according to the recent census. The census of 1910 gives Groton 2,155 inhabitants, showing an increase over that of five years ago of 178.

The census of 1910 shows an increase of 200,000 over the 1910 census. All of the cities in the state show an increase. There are seventy towns that show a decrease.

All the figures given out by Director Gettamy of the Bureau of Statistics on Wednesday are based on the enumerators' reports of census taken on April last and are subject to possible revision.

Mrs. Davis, who makes her home with her daughter, Mrs. Marie Moore, has spent two months with another daughter in South Fairlee, Vt.

Principal A. J. Clough, of Lawrence academy, is occupying with his family a cottage at Sandy pond.

Miss Edith Waters recently returned from a three-weeks' vacation in Wakefield, Vt., and is now with the Clough family at Sandy pond.

Charles Jenks and sisters, of Bedford, spent Wednesday in town as guests of Miss Boutwell.

Dorothy Tyrrell, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Tyrrell, is spending the summer vacation in Hartford, Conn.

Mrs. W. A. Lawrence entertained on Thursday Mrs. John H. Turner of Ayer, Mrs. Fiske and Miss Crafts of Jamaica Plain, all three ladies being cousins of her father, Kendall Porter.

Dr. A. G. Kibourn returned from his fishing trip on Tuesday morning. He left again with his family for a further vacation of a few days.

Mrs. Anna Hemenway is spending a few days with friends in Reyvere.

J. A. Sanderson, of West street, had a poor spell the first of the week, but is better again.

George E. Meyet has had a telephone put in his residence on Boston road—147-2.

Mrs. Arthur Tuttle was taken on last Saturday with an illness which made necessary the care of her physician, Dr. Hopkins, and also a trained nurse. The latest reports from her is that she is better.

Mr. and Mrs. William L. Patterson and little daughter, from Dorchester, are spending their vacation with his parents on Champey street.

The increase in the tax rate of 1915 over that of 1914, a recent return to Mr. Adams on a thousand, is owing partly to the increase in the state, county and state road tax. Groton's share of this being \$10,294.30. The assessors' valuation of property in Groton is \$2,569,120. Real estate, \$2,025,116. There is a gain of one poll tax this year over that of last year.

Mr. McDermott, of Court street, leaves town soon and will return to New York state, where he lived previous to coming to Groton. His family remain here while he is gone, to follow later when arrangements are completed for their return.

Mrs. H. W. Whiting is gaining slowly.

The Grange met in regular session on Tuesday evening, fifty members being present. The following program was rendered: Songs, Grange songs, recitation, vocal solo, Miss Dora Bailey, reading, Lewis M. Knapp, solo, Rodrick Woodley, readings, Mrs. Virginia Tyrrell and Ethel Gillespie. The annual Grange day will be held in Ayer on August 12.

The C. S. Griswold family, of Groton School, left on Wednesday to occupy their summer camp near Squam Lake, N. H.

Mrs. Harry E. Nutting is entertaining her mother, Mrs. Edward Miller, of Burkeville, Va., and her sister, Mrs. Carter, and two daughters, from Crewe, Va.

Mr. and Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck leave Tuesday, July 20, for a month's vacation in Canada.

Miss Lora Eddy, of Hingham, is a guest of Mrs. Arthur A. Wood.

Frank A. Woods is entertaining Edward Newton, of Holyoke, a classmate at Amherst Agricultural college.

Mrs. Jane Clark is visiting relatives in Manchester, N. H.

Silas Northrup and family, with Ethel Patterson, are spending their vacation in Beverly, where they occupy a cottage belonging to Mr. Gardner of Groton School.

The case of the two Peppercorn young men, Russell Wright and John Leary, who met with the shocking collision last Sunday at "The Four Corners," has excited much interest and anxiety here, as they are patients at the Groton hospital, where they were taken after the accident, badly injured. This "four corners" is at the intersection of the Peppercorn and Groton roads, near North Groton, and the road to Nashua, over which the automobile in the affair was going.

The young men were on their way to Massapog pond. The report from them on inquiry at the hospital on Wednesday was that they remained about the same as on Monday, as could be expected, and will recover if nothing new sets in. They have been attended by Dr. MacAusland, of Boston, and the local doctors.

Charles B. Campbell, of Washington, D. C. is on for a three-weeks' vacation, spending it with his parents in Nashua and grandparents in Groton.

Mrs. B. S. Gale returned recently from a visit to her daughter, Mrs. Tolles, and granddaughter, Mrs. Stein, who live together in Providence, R. I.

The children of Mr. and Mrs. Polton Stone are all having the mumps, except the oldest son, Lester Cummings, the second son, is very sick with them.

The band concert this Saturday evening is at West Groton.

Miss Clara Fowler, of Fitchburg, who is frequent visitor to her sister, Mrs. E. B. Gerrish, has been transferred from the Hosmer school in that city, where she has taught successfully, to an assistant teacher in the Fitchburg high school.

Dr. Kibourn was at home on Tuesday.

The remains of William H. Stone, a former resident of Groton, were brought here for interment in the Groton cemetery last week Thursday. Burial was in the lot of his mother, Mrs. Edward Gilson. The committal service was by Rev. William Brocke, of Groton, and Mrs. Mary Stein, of Providence, R. I., the latter coming up to the service, attending with her mother, Mrs. Stone, who died at Tewksbury. He went through an operation at the Massachusetts General hospital some little time previous, but did not make a good recovery. He was fifty-nine years old.

Groton lodge, I. O. O. F., met in their new hall on Court street for the first time Monday night. The furniture has not yet arrived.

Russell Wright, one of the young men who was hurt in the collision last Sunday, was the leader in the minstrel gala week in May. The lodge recalling this sent him a letter of appreciation at the hospital. Both young men have been generally remembered by bouquets sent to the hospital.

There will be regular services at the Baptist church next Sunday.

Ralph H. Wylie will resume the practice of dentistry in the Barry building, Main street, Ayer, July 27.

Remember American Watch Factory Company's band concert and dance, Littleton, July 24.

Clipping. The following clipping is taken from the Boston Herald of July 7, and concerns Mrs. Brooks, mother of Lawrence, of Groton.

Mrs. Sarah Lawrence Brooks, wife of Peter C. Brooks, and a sister of Bishop Lawrence, died yesterday at her summer home, the old Brooks place, near Groton, after an illness of several months.

She was born in Boston about seventy years ago, the daughter of the late John Adams Lawrence and Sarah Elizabeth (Appleton) Lawrence, who was a daughter of Congressman William Appleton. She was the second of a family of seven children, the oldest being Robert Amory A. Lawrence, the Boston merchant, who died in July, 1912, were Mrs. Brooks and her husband, Mr. Brooks, who was a member of the Groton church.

She was married to Peter C. Brooks, who was a member of the Groton church, and they had three children, Mrs. Brooks and her husband, Mr. Brooks, who was a member of the Groton church.

In the winter Mrs. Brooks lived in Boston and was a member of the Groton church. She took deep interest in her charities and was active in the work of the Widows' society and the Senior High West Kitchen.

West Groton. A family party including Mr. and Mrs. George H. Babbs, Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Babbs, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Babbs, and their children, made an auto trip to the White Mountains this week. They passed the night in North Woodstock, on Tuesday night, and returned to Groton on Wednesday morning. They saw many of the beautiful mountain resorts. Tuesday night they visited the beautiful Bay of Naples hotel in Naples, Me. on Wednesday they stopped for a time in Portland, and then proceeded to York Beach, where they stayed until Thursday morning. They reached home on Thursday afternoon. Each and all declared this trip the best ever from Monday to Thursday.

Mr. McDermott has resigned his position as superintendent of the post-office board in Groton, and will return to Groton, N. Y., where he formerly resided.

The C. E. society held a picnic on Thursday afternoon in a grove near the pumping station.

There will be a baseball game in the village on Saturday between the Lunenburg nine and the home team.

Mrs. Jeannette Blyth and daughter Ruth spent a few days last week at Hahobee Lake in Amherst, N. H.

old Captain Rockwood place. Being anxious to visit points of interest she engaged the services of our well-known chauffeur, Lawrence Strand, who kindly drove to many places about town. Mrs. Tarbell and Mrs. Humiston were of the party.

The Groton brass band will give an open-air concert in front of Squannecook hall on Saturday evening, July 17.

Messrs. Bates and Harrington will serve ice cream in the lower hall on Saturday afternoon and evening.

Guests noted in town this week were Mrs. M. J. Shepley and Miss Hazel Thompson, of Waltham, at Mrs. W. F. Lane's; Winthrop Lamb, of Worcester, at A. W. Lane's; Sibley, of Groton, at Mrs. Lewis Tatum's; Rev. Charles Johnson, of the Congregational church, East Jeffrey, with family, also, Mrs. F. G. Humiston, and daughter, Freda, at Mrs. Martha Tarbell's. Mrs. Humiston remained for a short visit, the others returning to East Jeffrey by auto after a picnic dinner.

Quite a number of ladies planned a picnic at Wabaton on Wednesday, intending to spend the evening and return by auto. The weather not being very propitious they cancelled the picnic, having a picnic in the neighborhood, and returned by the evening train.

BOXBOROUGH

The news of the marriage of Newell Chester gave the people a big surprise. Beyond the fact that the marriage took place in the parsonage of the First church, nothing is known. An interesting air of mystery and romance hangs over the details of which we shall probably hear more later on. It is too important an event to pass lightly over and no doubt the townspeople will properly observe it in some suitable way.

Hon. John Jacob Rogers was at the town hall on Thursday afternoon, in short time to meet anyone who wished to see him.

The Campfire Girls held their meeting last Saturday with Maria Steele. They have now taken up the study of ferns. Plans are being made to camp out the last of August.

Following the usual custom of holding the weekly prayer meeting in different parts of the town the one this week was at Artur Nelson's.

The monthly meeting of the Missionary circle was at Mrs. Emery Whitcomb's in West Acton. The threatening showers kept some of the women who were quite disappointed as this important an event to pass lightly over and no doubt the townspeople will properly observe it in some suitable way.

Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Barrow attended the birthday festivities of a relative in Chelmsford last Sunday.

Mrs. Ada Durkee was a guest of friends from Haverhill, at Fort pond on Wednesday.

Mrs. Eva Davidson and children, of Lincoln, are at her old home here.

Miss Louise Gough, of Assinippi, is visiting her brother, Willis Gough.

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Grange. The grange meeting on last week Friday evening was in charge of the three Grange Misses, Mrs. Steele, Lucy Wetherbee and Elsie Graves, and the subjects taken up were fruits, flowers and grains. After a song by the Grange quartet, the speaker, an interesting talk on "Agriculture of the present." Mrs. George Burroughs spoke on "Apples of Boxborough." Miss Hazel Morse had a paper on "History of wild flowers." Miss Mabel Wetherbee read "Planting of the apple tree," and short readings were given by Carl Swanson, Lucy Wetherbee and other Grange members.

The vote taken to ascertain the favorite apple showed the McIntosh led to be the most popular here by quite a majority. The surprise furnished by Charles Sherry and President Burroughs consisted of cake and ice cream.

A committee was chosen to look after a lawn party to be given soon. On July 25 the Grange neighbors with Edson Grange and furnishes the entertainment.

SHIRLEY

The meeting of the Matrons' Aid society, which was to be held with Mrs. C. E. Bradford on Thursday afternoon, has been postponed to Tuesday afternoon, July 20.

The meeting of the First Parish Branch Alliance on Thursday.

Rheumatism in One Reel. An old dorky appeared in the doctor's office one morning, plainly very ill in his mind.

The doctor, recognizing his old patient, greeted him in his most inspiring manner.

"Well, Elijah, how is the rheumatism these days?"

"Porely, porely, an!" replied Elijah dejectedly. "Believe me, Marse Doctor, Ise jest a mornin' picture ob pain!"

Woman's Home Companion.

Real Gratitude. First Little Lamb—How grateful we should be for the wool which covers us. Second Little Lamb—I return thanks every day for mine. Without our wool how could those affectionate human beings who eat us keep warm?—Wisconsin State Journal.

Table Manners. Some folks don't believe flints were once used as table knives because they can't see how the stone age man ever got one of them in his mouth.—Washington Post.

EASED HIS CONSCIENCE.

An Incident Showing a Queer Phase of Russian Character.

"The Russian character has in it something very beautiful—something childlike," wrote the Princess Troubetzkoi (Amelle Lives) from Petrograd to a Richmond friend.

"A happening in Petrograd brings out the Russian character well.

"A young nobleman, rather flushed and incoherent with champagne, drove up to the opera, and, as he descended, a wretched beggar whined out the usual petition for alms.

"The nobleman looked at the ragged and filthy beggar; then he laughed foolishly, dropped a silver rouble in the gutter and said:

"There, 'fick that out with your teeth and you can have it!"

"The beggar gave the nobleman a strange look, a strange, reproachful look which did not lack a certain dignity. Then, without a word, he went down on all fours and drew the coin from the foul water and mire with his teeth.

"The young nobleman took out a fifty rouble note.

"Now strike me in the face," he said. "Strike me, and I'll give you this."

"The beggar struck him a good, vigorous blow.

"Then the young nobleman, his conscience satisfied, laughed, gave the beggar the promised reward and hurried into the opera, patting his hurt cheek tenderly with his handkerchief."

—Buffalo Express.

SIKH SOLDIERS.

Some of Them Are Trained to War Almost From Babyhood.

One may often see in the English illustrated periodicals photographs of tiny soldiers about seven or eight years old gravely saluting elderly officers.

These diminutive warriors are boy recruits holding regular and dignified places in the Indian army. Each Sikh regiment is allowed twelve of these little clumps, who are each paid 3 rupees and 8 annas a month and at the age of sixteen enter the regular army.

The Sikh soldiers are a most interesting and remarkable part of the British army in India. Their conduct in frontier engagements has distinguished them as brave, steady and devoted to their English officers. Yet about fifty years ago these well ordered soldiers were fanatical savages, who in their mad uprisings shook the power of Great Britain. Once conquered they accepted British rule and were trained and disciplined into a well equipped army of 30,000 soldiers. They formed part of the force that subdued the mutiny. The Hodson's horse troops, which helped capture Delhi, were composed of Sikhs whose devoted service to their leader made them famous.

Their scarlet dshies and turbans gained them the name of "Flamingos." Their descendants are no less determined fighters and staunch soldiers.—Chicago Herald.

Easy Getting Back. A man named Blue was talking to his friend Brown one night, when the latter casually mentioned Black, a mutual acquaintance.

"Makes me think of an experience Black had a few weeks ago," laughed Jones. "He dreamed that he was an Indian and, getting out of bed, he wrapped a blanket around himself and started to walk through the woods. Woke up about three hours later and found himself ten miles from home and no carfare in sight."

"You don't mean it?" was the amazed rejoinder of Brown. "How in the world did he get back?"

"That was easy," was the cheerful reply of Jones. "He lay down under a tree, dreamed that he was an Indian again and walked back."—Philadelphia Telegraph.

Immunity of Children. Professor Armbruster asserts that the reason very young children are relatively immune to infectious diseases is that their hearts beat so much more rapidly than those of older persons that the blood flows swiftly through the arteries, and this swiftness of flow makes it difficult for micro-organisms to gain a foothold in the blood stream.—New York World.

One Danger. "Have you fastened the windows, dear?" she asked as they were about to retire for the night.

"No. What's the use? I gave you the last dollar I had to buy that new hat, and we needn't fear burglars."

"But they might sit down on the hat, you know."—Washington Post.

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"Have you registered?" asked the other man.

"N-n-no."

"A citizen should always register. Your vote will do more to correct matters than your criticism."—Pittsburgh Post.

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A Pretty Experiment.

How quickly the body eliminates waste matter may be seen by the following simple and pretty experiment:

Eat a tablet of lithium citrate. Then take a clean platinum wire, hold it in a colorless flame of a Bunsen burner and note that it gives no coloration to the flame. Now cool the wire and pass it along the skin of the forehead, or after rinsing the hand in distilled water draw the wire across the palm and again hold it to the colorless Bunsen flame. Note the beautiful yellow color, due to the presence of the sodium. Next take blue glass and observe the yellow flame through this. The cobalt glass absorbs the yellow sodium rays, and the lilac flame of potassium now shows. About a half hour after taking the lithium tablet make the same test as above with a clean platinum wire. The vivid red flame of lithium is now obtained. In one short half hour the lithium entering at the mouth has been absorbed into the blood and carried to all parts of the body and is being excreted through the skin.—New York World.

Bell Tents.

The interior of a bell tent is full of surprises for the new camper. He begins by expecting it to be the airiest of lodgings; it is really the stuffiest. Unless the flaps at the entrance are left open or the apron around the foot lifted it soon becomes insufferable if there are many men sleeping in it, and it is possible to sleep ten or a dozen men or more in a bell tent, with feet to the pole, of course, and heads to the canvas. Another surprise is that there is nowhere to hang anything up. It is contrary to regulations to drive nails into the tent pole. The official way is a ring with hooks on it to be clamped around the pole, but old campaigners say that the supply of these is never anything like equal to the number of tents and that only the lucky ones get them. With all this a bell tent is the cheapest and most comfortable of temporary homes for a party of three or four once they get used to its little ways and cease to mislay things in its featureless circularity.—Liverpool Mercury.

A Story of Dickens.

M. Anatole France has an amusing reminiscence of Dickens—of whom he is a great admirer—in his "Vie Littéraire." One wonders whether it is autobiographical. "A Frenchman who made the journey to London," he writes, "went one day to see the great Charles Dickens. He was admitted and expressed his admiration as an excuse for thus trespassing on the precious time of such a being. 'Your fame,' he added, 'and the universal sympathy you inspire doubtless expose you to innumerable intrusions. Your door always is besieged. You must be visited every day by princes, statesmen, scholars, writers, artists and even madmen. 'Yes, madmen, madmen!' cried Dickens, carried away by the agitation which toward the end of his life often moved him. 'Madmen! They alone amuse me.' And he pushed his astonished visitor out by the shoulders."

His Last Look.

A church in the north of Scotland requiring a pastor had a beadle who took an active interest in all that concerned the church. One of the candidates after the last service for the day was over stepped into the vestry to put off his gown. He thought he would have a look at the church and meeting the worthy beadle putting things to rights, said:

"I was just taking a look at the church."

"Aye, tak' a gude look at it," said the beadle, "for it's no likely ye'll ever see't again."—Dundee Advertiser.

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LITTLETON

News Items. Early apples have been shipped to Boston this week.

The Grange has engaged the Middlesex Training School band to give a concert at their lawn party at town hall park July 21 from seven to nine p. m. Madgett's orchestra will play for the dancing that follows the concert. Candy, cream and toms will be served on the grounds.

The Saturday afternoon food sales at the Baptist vestry are much appreciated this warm weather and especially by those people who have extra members in their families over Sunday. The ladies will be ready to sell food again this week and for several more Saturday afternoons in succession.

Last Tuesday Clarence H. Smith of Cambridge visited his father, Allen Smith, and family. He took his parents on an auto trip to Groton and Townsend.

The N. B. Conant family go next week to Adams for their annual visit with Mrs. Conant's mother and brother.

Martha Wilcox leaves home today for Annamquamc to be the guest of the D. H. Woodburys for a week.

Miss Sarah Murphy was operated on at Lowell General hospital last Saturday and a short report was by that she is recovering and having excellent care. The knee bone was not fractured when she fell, but the ligaments were badly torn and her recovery is necessarily slow.

A number of fresh air children are enjoying the freedom of the A. H. Gregory farm and the pleasant times furnished by their host and hostess.

Mr. and Mrs. Holt of Belmont and Mrs. Emma K. Lemley of Boston, are in the state of Vermont. Mrs. Lemley is at present staying for a short time in North Woodstock.

The Emerick family recently vacated the Coevel place in Newtown and moved to New Hampshire, where they have bought a farm.

Mrs. Ellis of Fitchburg visited Mrs. Eton Wednesday and Mr. and Mrs. G. S. Wells were her guests over Sunday.

A pretty home wedding took place at Mr. and Mrs. William Griffiths on New Estate road Thursday afternoon, when their daughter, Pannie Maria, became the bride of Alfred Lawrence Alexander of Waltham. The bride was groomed in a dainty white dress, trimmed with lace and wore a veil. Her neck was adorned by a diamond brooch, the gift of the groom. Rev. J. C. Alvord performed the ceremony using the double ring service. Only the immediate family and a few intimate friends were present. A reception followed the wedding and the happy couple left at an early hour for a brief wedding trip. Upon their return they will reside in Waltham, where the groom has a position as inspector of watches in the watch factory. Many pretty and useful gifts were presented to the wedded pair.

Mrs. Robert Kempton of Washington is visiting her parents, coming in season for the wedding of her sister.

At the Unitarian church Sunday morning, Rev. F. J. Fairbank will preach a sermon on the religious changes of recent times: "Are the changes that are taking place in religious observances making this age pagan, or are they bringing in a freer and truer religion life?"

Mrs. W. H. Titcomb is in attendance at the Unitarian meetings at the Isles of Shoals this week.

Fire.

Two fire alarms at Common Center and at Elm gave the signal for a Wednesday evening about seven o'clock. Immediately the air was filled with cries of "fire at George Bonnell's" on King street. The response was very prompt, but none too soon for the roof was a sheet of blaze when the first hose cart arrived.





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The KITCHEN CUPBOARD

INEXPENSIVE CAKES.

CAKES are an indispensable part of the bill of fare. According to some authorities, their rich ingredients are required to round out the dinner if no other dessert is served. Some suggestions for cakes that are inexpensive are given here.

With Sugar and Spice.

Spice Cake.—Take two cupsful of brown sugar creamed with half a cupful of butter, two eggs, a cupful of sour milk, a teaspoonful of soda dissolved in milk, two and a half cupsful of flour, half a teaspoonful of allspice, a teaspoonful of cinnamon, half a teaspoonful of cloves and the same amount of grated nutmeg.

An Economical Recipe.

Gold Cake.—Take three eggs, one and one-quarter cupsful of sugar, one cupful of milk, two and three-quarter cupsful of flour, one-half cupful of butter, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one teaspoonful of favoring. Cream sugar and butter. Separate eggs and add beaten yolks to butter and sugar. Sift flour once, measure, add baking powder and sift again. Add milk, flour and stiffly beaten whites in order given. Stir until smooth. Bake in loaf.

Dried Apple Cake.—Take two cupsful of dried apples, soak overnight in enough water to cover them. Later chop fine as raisins and cook until candied in two cupsful of New Orleans molasses. Make the usual cake mixture; then add the cooled molasses and apples.

For the Coffee Klatch.

Coffee Cake.—Take one-half cupful of butter, one cupful of sugar, two eggs, one tablespoonful of molasses, one-half cupful of cold boiled coffee, one and seven-eighths cupsful of flour, two teaspoonfuls of baking powder, one teaspoonful of cinnamon, one-half teaspoonful of cloves, one-half teaspoonful of mace, three-quarter cupful of raisins, three-quarter cupful of currants, one-quarter cupful of citron. Cream butter, add sugar, molasses and beaten egg yolks. Mix and sift dry ingredients three times; add alternately with the coffee to butter and sugar. Beat well, add all of the fruit (diced); then fold in white of eggs, beaten stiff. Line cake pan with greased paper to prevent the cake cooking too rapidly.

Anna Thompson

The KITCHEN CUPBOARD

CHESTNUT SWEETS.

SUPPER MENU.

- Bean Salad, Tomato Jelly, Bran Bread Sandwiches, Cheese Sandwiches, Chestnuts With Cream, Milk or Cocoa.

CHESTNUTS make delicious desserts or sweetmeats. The recipes given here are simple ones, especially good for those who care for chestnut sweets.

Chestnuts With Whipped Cream.—Shell and boil chestnuts until tender, remove skins and rub through colander. Sweeten to taste and beat to a soft paste with a little cream. Form mixture into pyramids in the center of a glass dish and heap with whipped cream.

Dainty Sweetmeats.

Chestnut Mousse.—Shell and blanch about two cupsful of chestnuts which have been boiled until tender. Rub the chestnuts through a sieve and stir them carefully into a pint of whipped cream to which have been added half a cupful of powdered sugar and a teaspoonful of vanilla extract. Add a teaspoonful of maraschino cordial, turn into a mold and pack away in ice and salt for five hours. Serve with whipped cream.

Glaced Chestnuts.—Sift skins of a quart of chestnuts, roast in frying pan over fire, but do not allow to brown; peel when cold and steam a wooden toothpick in each. Boil meantime a pound of loaf sugar and a pint of water until it spins a hair. Dip each nut in the sirup; then stick the ends of picks in a plate of brown sugar to harden.

Another Method.

Marrons Glace.—Select large, perfect chestnuts. Shell and simmer a pint of the nuts in boiling water until tender. Drain and toss into cold water to make them firm. Let the chestnuts drain; then turn them out on a cloth and see that each one is dry. A sirup must now be made by boiling a cupful of sugar in a pint of water, and in this simmer the chestnuts for an hour. Drain off the sirup and to it add a few drops of vanilla extract. Then cook it until it becomes brittle when dropped in cold water, as one tries candy. Set the pan of sirup in a larger pan of hot water to keep the hot sirup from cooling and candying and dip in the chestnuts one by one, removing them and placing on oiled paper.

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POPULAR MECHANICS

Twenty-four Hour Clock Dials.

Now that twenty-four hour time is officially adopted in France inventors have been at work upon a double figure dial. One method is to use red figures underneath the ordinary figures—that is, 13 would come under 1 o'clock, and so on. An ingenious idea has, however, been found for watch dials, and a complete watch is now on the market which contains this makeup. The dial face has a set of twelve holes instead of the usual figures, and back of this is a rotating enameled disk with the Roman numerals from 1 to 12 and just beside them Arabic numerals from 12 to 24. First the Roman numerals appear in sight under the holes, then by pressing a button which lies above the winding stem the disk shifts around slightly so as to bring the other set of numbers into place.—Scientific American.

Lake Superior Iron Ore.

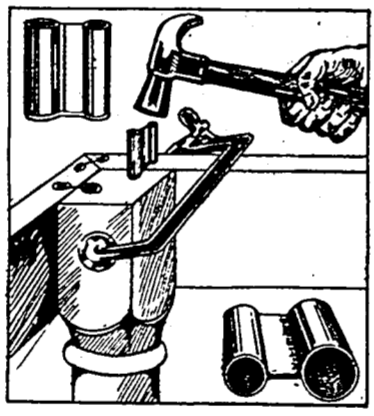
Lake Superior iron ore generally averages between 50 per cent and 55 per cent in iron, and large quantities have run over 60 per cent in iron with phosphorus below the bessemer limit. However, the average grade is perceptibly lowering each year. The high grade ores are being depleted, but there are thousands of millions of tons of medium and low grade iron ore at Lake Superior, which must eventually come into use. Indeed, a start on them is already being made not only with the siliceous ores for mixing with the high grade varieties, but with ordinary 40 per cent to 50 per cent ore, some of which is being concentrated or experimented upon.—Engineering Magazine.

Motor Cars in Use.

According to the latest census figures covering automobile registration in the various states, there are now 1,735,369 automobiles in use in the United States. There has been a steady gain since the first of the year. These figures are both for gasoline and electric pleasure and freight vehicles. On Jan. 1, 1914, there were 1,253,875 cars in use. By the latest census New York is far in the lead with 160,475 cars registered. Illinois is next with 120,681, and there are only four other states in which the figure runs 100,000 or over. These are Pennsylvania, Ohio, California and Iowa, in that order. The state of Nevada has the fewest cars, the registration showing but 1,523 in use.

Fastener For Wood Joints.

A simple joint fastener that has just been invented and patented is designed to simplify the work of both the carpenter and the cabinetmaker, since it does away in many kinds of work with the necessity for mortises and dovetails and the special tools used in making joints, says Popular Mechanics. The fastener is made from a sheet metal blank which is simply bent to a circular loop at each end, leaving a



FASTENER BINDS JOINTS TOGETHER.

straight intermediate section, or bridge. The loops are bent in opposite directions to each other, and a space is left between the end of each loop and the adjacent end of the bridge. One edge of the plate is beveled to a cutting edge so that it can be driven into the wood. As ordinarily used the two pieces of wood to be connected are clamped together, and the fastener is driven in flush with the top with one loop in each of the pieces. The fastener may also be used in connection with receiving sockets. In this case a wood plug driven tightly inside the fastener forces it to grip the sides of the socket.

Making Tea While Traveling.

Tea or other infusions can be very readily made, for instance, when traveling by the use of a newly invented device of a very simple kind. It consists of a cap made of wire gauze which has the exact shape of the teaspoon and fits upon it by a suitable clamp. Putting in the tea, etc., the cover is placed on, and the spoon is put in a cup or vessel of boiling water in order to make the infusion. This avoids carrying a teapot and will often be found serviceable.

New State Map of Washington.

The United States geological survey is publishing a series of large state maps in connection with the work of preparing the United States portion of the millionth scale international map of the world, and the latest one to be issued is that of Washington. This map is printed on the scale of eight miles to an inch and makes a wall map 32 by 48 inches. On this scale the map of the entire United States would be about 20 by 31 feet.

A New Kind of Wrench.

A wrench that its Ohio inventor claims will replace the monkey wrench and that will handle a pipe as well as nuts of all shapes has a milled wheel, adjusted by a clip, in place of the lower jaw.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Miss Mildred Moore has been visiting with Mrs. George H. Hardy. Rev. Robert M. French and family have gone away on their vacation. Rev. Mr. Street, assistant pastor of the First Congregational church of Meriden, Conn., supplied the pulpit on Sunday. It is being decided whether he will be here on Sunday or not.

Monday night a large crowd surrounded Mr. and Mrs. Percy Lund at their home on Proctor hill. Mrs. Howard Bullock and son have returned to their home in Wallingford, Conn.

Miss Lillian Lovejoy has returned from a short visit in Malden, Mass.

Miss Lillian Keyes has returned from a visit spent with friends in West Townsend, Conn.

Robert Bean has gone for a week's visit at the beach.

Miss Clara E. Smith is away for a week's vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles M. Ludden, of Wallingford, Mass., are the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hayes.

Mrs. Clarence E. Hollis is spending the week with Mrs. Howard Bullock in Wallingford, Conn.

The officers of Aurora lodge, I. O. O. F., were installed by the Leo McEnnis, district deputy, and assistants.

Avalon Rebekah lodge were invited guests and ice cream and cake were served. The following officers were installed: George J. Morrill, n. g.; Mrs. W. Holden, w. m.; Marcellus J. Powers, sec.; George B. Clagby, treas.; Charles A. Colburn, com.; Samuel Bascom, chap.; Heening Erickson, W. M.; Arthur E. Judge, J. E. S.; William Dean, r. s. n. g.; George Wilson, l. s. n. g.; Francis Cave, r. s. v. g.; Wesley Ladd, l. s. v. g.; George Robbins, l. g.; Fred Muzzev, n. g.

The regular monthly meeting of the W. R. C. was held in Grange hall, Tuesday afternoon. It being a warm afternoon there was not a large attendance. The president, Bessie W. McEnnis, being absent, the chair was filled by the senior vice, Angeline M. Muzzev. The secretary, Mrs. Addie Hale, who has been unable to be with the corps for some time on account of illness, was present and reported her husband as greatly improved. Mrs. Nellie H. P. Hale read several clippings from other corps in the surrounding towns.

At the last regular meeting of the engine company it was voted to become members of the New Hampshire State Firemen's association, which is insurance against accident or death.

Miss Helen Stickney has gone to Brookline, where she is to be employed for the summer.

F. Leo McEnnis, J. d. g. m., and his staff of installing officers, went to Nashua on Monday evening to install officers and to Reed's Ferry on Tuesday evening.

Miss Carrie Denault has been assisting at Leslie B. Locke's while Mrs. Locke has been recuperating from her recent illness.

Dr. William Fox, who has been spending his vacation in town, returned to his home in Washington, D. C., where he will be in town hereafter.

At about ten o'clock on Monday night a passing automobile run into the team of O'Neil Bros., which was standing in front of the postoffice. The horse and the wagon drove on the sidewalk which leads to the schoolhouse. One shaft and spring were broken and the wagon upset in general. Timothy J. O'Neil, who was driving, and the occupants, were thrown to the ground, but fortunately escaped without injury. The driver of the machine stopped and after inspecting his machine and the wagon drove on after promising to make good the damages. The machine came from Nashua.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Peacock, of Nashua, formerly of this town, welcomed a little son into their home last Sunday.

Percy A. Lund and Miss Christine Scott were united in marriage on Wednesday afternoon, July 7, at four o'clock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Robert M. French at the Congregational parsonage. Arthur W. Lund, a brother of the groom, was best man, and the bride was attended by Miss Helen Stickney, a classmate. The single ring service was used. Immediately after the ceremony the bridal couple left in an automobile. The bride will reside in their newly-furnished home on Proctor hill. The young people are both natives of Hollis and are very popular in town. They have a host of friends who extend to them their best wishes.

A new steel and cement bridge is being built across the Nissississet river at West Hollis to take the place of the wooden bridge which has become unsafe.

Matthew Jameson of Brookline and Frank Jameson of Millford were in town on last Sunday calling on friends.

Rev. Mr. Crathern and his daughter, from Worcester, have been visiting Mrs. Henry Goodwin. Mr. Crathern has recently returned from the Panama exposition.

A son, weighing four pounds, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Pineo on last Sunday morning.

Mrs. Jason Reed, who has been confined to her bed for a week by illness, is reported to be a little better.

Miss Mary Hardy, who fell and broke her hip last winter, is able to be about on crutches.

Mrs. Jambard has been confined to her bed by illness for a week.

Mrs. Charles Hillis and her two children have been visiting her mother, Mrs. Kenick, in Brookline, Mass.

Miss Bertha Colburn has arrived from New York in her new Ford runabout.

Miss Ruth Goodwin has been acting as housekeeper during Mrs. Hillis' absence.

Mr. and Mrs. Harold Frost and little daughter Viola spent last week in Lowell with relatives and friends. Mr. Frost returned home that night, but Mrs. Frost and daughter remained until Wednesday night.

A dancing school for the young people was started on last week Thursday afternoon in Grange hall, and the lessons are given by Miss Robbins, of Pepperell. Mrs. Leonard Lawrence and Mrs. Eric Flanders presided at the piano. Quite a number of the young folks were in evidence and it promises to be an interesting feature for them during the summer vacation. Mrs. William B. Simonds and Mrs. C. Fred Worcester made the plans necessary for the starting of the school.

Ralph Lovejoy visited in Kingston last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman Bennett entertained friends from Cambridge, Mass., recently.

Mrs. Flora Ord is having a five-weeks' rest from her work in the William watch factory and is spending the week with Mr. and Mrs. B. Locke, and her son, Alan Ord.

Misses Lillian and Bernice Lovejoy have returned home after a pleasant visit spent with relatives in Malden, Mass.

Miss Bernice Holmes has resumed her duties again at the Times office after a visit of a few days in Lowell.

Mrs. A. P. Hildreth and son Henry returned last week after quite a lengthy visit with her parents in Framingham.

Arthur Lund, of Dunstable, was in town on last week Wednesday and acted as best man at the marriage of his brother Percy to Miss Christine Scott.

Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Shattuck have had as guests recently Mrs. Shattuck's brother and wife.

Mrs. Jade Maxwell had quite a sorcerer recently, caused by getting a fish hook caught in it. The hook got in in such a way that Dr. Hazard was called and had to cut it out. It caused her much pain for awhile.

Mrs. Nellie Peacock, of Nashua, spent a few days last week with William H. Lund and family.

The little son which was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fields in Amherst, lived only about a week.

Mrs. Maud (Wentworth) Converse was taken to the hospital last week for treatment. She has been in very poor health since the birth of a child a few weeks ago and it was thought best to take her to the hospital.

Lawrence Gangloff, the oldest child of Mrs. Hazel (Wheeler) Gangloff, of Millford, has been visiting with Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hardy.

The Hollis baseball team played the second team from Townsend on last Saturday and defeated them by the score of 5 to 3.

Raymond Lund has sold his milk route to Harold Guething. Mr. Guething took possession on Sunday morning.

Gertrude Bennett is visiting with friends in Cambridge, Mass.

Miss Clara Smith was in Boston for a few days recently and Miss Dorothy Farley kept house for S. M. Spaulding during her absence.

Adelbert Messer and family, of Concord, spent the week-end and holiday with Mr. and Mrs. George Messer, making the trip in their Ford touring car.

Mrs. Sophia White has been visiting at Mr. and Mrs. Walter Hayden's.

George Hale has returned home from the hospital, where he underwent a very serious operation, and is greatly improved in health, much to the pleasure of his family and many friends.

From the Boston Journal: "Adelbert Messer of Concord, state commissioner from the fifth Middlesex district, announces that he will be a candidate for the republican nomination for sheriff in Middlesex county this fall. A keen contest is promised for this office, as both Sheriff Fairbairn and Ex-senator Hilton are also seeking it. Mr. Messer intends to begin his campaign shortly. The state committee has declared its neutrality." Mr. Messer is well-known and has many friends in this town. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. George Messer of this town.

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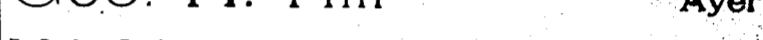
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