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WESTFORD

Center.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. William E. Green last Sunday which makes the eighth child in the family.

J. S. Nathans, of New York, is visiting his daughter, Mrs. J. H. Colburn, seeking rest and quiet in our pretty hilltop village.

Charles Colburn met with an accident last Saturday afternoon which easily might have proved very much more serious. While getting a large two-horse load of hay weighed at the town scale, the horses started suddenly as the electric car was coming along. Mr. Colburn was thrown violently to the ground and received a bad shaking up and bruises and cuts, but fortunately no bones were broken. The front part of the wagon was demolished and the over-turned load of hay had to be reloaded onto another wagon. Many willing helpers came to Mr. Colburn's assistance.

Dr. and Mrs. N. L. Griffin, of New London, N. H., have been guests of Dr. and Mrs. O. V. Wells this week.

It is a great satisfaction to our friends to have the Unitarian church clock keeping accurate time and striking the hours regularly. It has recently had a thorough repairing by a Lowell clock maker.

Mrs. A. W. Harford has been visiting in Boston and Somerville the greater part of the week.

About \$175 was realized from the Congregational fair which took place at the town hall on Wednesday of last week.

H. Bert Walker, who underwent a serious operation at the Lowell General hospital this week, is reported to be resting as comfortably as can be expected, although very weak.

The reading circle of the Tadnuck club met with Mrs. L. H. Buckhorn on Thursday afternoon of last week with a good attendance and degree of interest. Mrs. O. V. Wells, who presided, viewed "Froze who knock at our gates," one of Mary Antin's thought-compelling books, which deals with the immigrant problem. Mrs. Sutherland's address review was followed with an interested discussion by those present.

George H. Kimball, while driving the school barge home last Monday afternoon, had an unpleasant experience. While going past S. B. Wright's horses took fright, just what about their driver could not ascertain, having no other means of other apparent cause. They jumped badly and both Mr. Kimball and some of the children were somewhat shaken up and frightened, but there were no serious results.

The opening meeting of the Tadnuck club takes place on October 9, and will be a reception to the membership, taking place at the Unitarian vestry. The Ladies' Germania orchestra, of Lowell, will furnish music, and Mrs. F. L. Roberts will be the soloist of the afternoon. Miss Alice M. Howard, the club's new president, will give an opening address of greeting and welcome.

About Town.

The next meeting of Middlesex-North Essex Grange will be held at Old Fellows' hall, Bridge street, Lowell, Friday, October 5, morning. Reports of farm visiting, oral or written, ten minutes; limits prizes \$2.00, \$1.00 and \$1.00. Visitors day, entertainment to be furnished by the visiting Grange.

Westford Grange will confer the first and second degrees this evening, October 5, at the Masonic temple. Rev. David Wallace will be violinist. Let everybody bring everybody and give the initiating class, the same as the violinist a cheer that sounds very much like a cheer.

At the primaries on Tuesday evening, John M. Fletcher, Walter J. Merritt, Albert R. Wall and John Edwards were appointed guardians over the voters. It was the largest primary since primaries began. The total vote cast was 205; for representative 11th district, Parkman 117, Small 44, Sedgwick 8th district, Marchand 43, O'Brien 11th district, Tufts 31, Higgins 48, Brown 47, councillor, Main 1st ward 96, Harris 1st ward 100, Stearns 121, Purcell 14. The above were all contests within the republican party, except for registrar of deeds.

In the academy under Harvard last week of the school of Mrs. Martha A. Savage, a few additional names in the interest of the older residents of Westford. She was a native of Westford, the daughter of Ephraim and Asa (Pletcher) Wright, and in her early life a regular attendant at the Congregational church, a pleasing and familiar figure in the choir and student at Westford academy. She married Sampson Fletcher, who died long ago. One daughter, well remembered by the youthful as a student at Westford academy, died in the prime of womanhood, as also an adopted daughter. She left no children. The Ida B. Allen referred to as her daughter, is the adopted daughter of her deceased sister, Mrs. Sarah P. Wright, Cummings. Martha Fletcher, who was familiarly known after her first marriage, was a liberal contributor to the life of society in its varied opportunities.

A mild form of infantile paralysis is circulating in town, its latest appearance being at the Harry L. Nesmith's in Parkerville.

At the food sale of the First Parish last week Friday afternoon \$14.25 was what becometh of the effort. Harry L. Ingalls, who for a few years has been farming at the junction of the Groton road and Milestone hill road, has leased the John McMaster farm near Chamberlin's corner, taking possession October 1. As per present plans the McMasters will move to Lowell.

The Grange had a full house at the open meeting last week. Supp. Frank H. Hill started the inspiration as the

first speaker to emphasize special education for those who are not built to know everything. For real, workable, every-day sound sense, his advice was as needful and refreshing as an oasis in a desert. William C. Roudenbush also spoke in a like manner. Dr. Stimpson, of the State Board of Education, in a moving picture style, spoke on "Agricultural education," and held the close attention of all during his remarks.

Daniel Sherman died at his home on Cold Spring road Sunday morning at the age of ninety-one years. He was a native of Tewksbury, but lived in Westford for many years, quietly carrying on his farm. He leaves a daughter, Mrs. William Pollock, with whom he was living, and four grandchildren; also, an adopted son, David Sherman. The funeral was held on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. David Wallace conducting the services, which were private.

The Greig farm folks have bought a milk route in Lowell, taking possession on October 1.

Mrs. Clara Littlefield, of Fitchburg, has been visiting at her old home, the old Walker homestead, Main street.

W. R. Taylor has joined the crowd and taken to a Ford automobile. All heretofore jokes are turned over to him, while others have a vacation.

The Albright family have removed from the John H. Decatur house to the somewhat larger and more romantic New Hampshire.

See Littleton item for grand concert by Frank Stewart Adams, organist.

Special Town Meeting.

There was a very good attendance at the special town meeting last week Friday evening. Charles L. Hildreth, town clerk, called the meeting to order and Arthur E. Day was elected moderator. The special town meeting prior to this one related to the purchase by the town of the Henry O. Keyes property in Westford Center for a school house, and while it was unanimously a peaceable meeting, it was also a unanimously lawless meeting, for after all the outflow of desire to improve the environments at the Center and Mrs. O. V. Wells this week borrow any money at a special meeting to repair buildings, but you can borrow sky high to build onto buildings already existing. The special town meeting last week was called back to law, and having not back to law this much was saved in the transaction. Oscar R. Spaulding, chairman of the board of selectmen, out of the generosity of his life and the progress of his finances, bought the Henry O. Keyes property for \$2300 and was willing to donate it to the town as well as the town was willing to donate him \$2200 and interest, which the town nodded in the affirmative. It was voted to sell all the valuable buildings on said lot except the academy building and the cottage house.

Next on the program was the report of the committee on lighting the streets. Hon. Edward Fisher, for the committee, made a clear disclosure of all attempts to renew the contract with the Lowell Electric Light Company. The committee reported adversely on a contract for six years and the town endorsed the adversity of the committee. For a ten-year contract the company is willing to go good clear for \$1200 per light, a reduction of \$3.50 from the last contract. But as nearly towns are being lighted for \$13.50 and some for \$18 per light, the town and the committee thought that the Lowell company might better try again at being good, and so the committee and the company will have another head-on special meeting in October.

Graniteville.

The Ladies' Aid Society of the M. E. church is planning to hold the annual harvest supper in the near future.

The Westford Water Company is doing additional pipes and has already put in a new hydrant in River street near the new house. The street is also being widened and when all the work is completed in this vicinity, the hill section of River street will certainly present a much improved appearance.

Harold Horan, of Charlestown, has been a recent visitor here.

Arthur Healy is attending the Lowell Commercial college.

The large number from here who attended the dance in East Boston on last week Friday night had a very enjoyable time. The majority of those who attended went by auto, while others by a long time on the road, owing to the trouble.

Mrs. Herbert Milton Sparks, of Greenfield, has been a recent guest of Mrs. Lily Mae Moran.

M. E. Church Notes.

At the M. E. church last Sunday afternoon the Junior League held its new superintendent of the department, promises to make the work of great value to the younger folks.

At the Epworth League meeting Mrs. Barry was installed as president. The Epworth League, 33 v. p. Miss Alice May, 13 v. p. Fred Smith, sec. and treat. The vestry room was comfortably filled with those interested in Epworth League work.

An appreciative congregation enjoyed the stereopticon pictures on "Christ's parable, 'The ten virgins,'" shown at the evening service. This is a public service and all are welcome. The banquet has been eliminated from the program, arranged for the new resident bishop, Rev. Mr. Hughes. Under the new plan he will address Methodists and Epworth on the evening of October 1 at the Central Methodist church.

Forge Village.

Mrs. Laura E. Jones and daughter-in-law, Mrs. Albert E. Jones, with baby son, of Worcester, visited relatives here on Monday and Tuesday. A. E. Jones is still with his regiment, stationed in Columbus, N. M.

The Ladies' Sewing circle held the first meeting of the year at Recreation hall on Thursday afternoon.

A daughter was born on last Saturday to Mr. and Mrs. Charles Flanagan.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Ayer Varney, together with their little son Austin, of West Somerville, were recent guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John E. Burnett, Pleasant street.

On Sunday the services at St. Andrew's mission will be held at 1.30 in the afternoon. There will be no morning services. Sunday school will commence Sunday afternoon at 3.30.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Cherry, of New York city, have been the guests of Mr. Cherry's grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Lowther, this week. The cottage on Pleasant street, together with several acres of land running from Pleasant street to Pine street, owned by Mrs. Harriet E. Randall, and now occupied by the John

Baker family, has recently been purchased by the Abbot Worsted Co.

Miss Julian Donnelly, of West Chelmsford, spent Saturday and Sunday as guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Cony.

Constable William Wall has been notified by the selectmen of the town of Westford to prosecute any person or persons using profane or obscene language on the public highway. Recently complaints have been sent to the selectmen by residents here, and the nuisance is now going to be stopped. The offenders are of all ages, some range from eight or nine years of age, others old enough to know better. All persons sitting on the fence in the square or otherwise being a nuisance while waiting for electric cars will also be punished to the full extent of the law. Any person caught after this writing will be prosecuted as far as the law allows.

Mrs. Nellie Prince chaperoned a party of fifteen young people of North Chelmsford at the Abbot Worsted Co. Sunday. The day was ideal for such an outing and all enjoyed a delightful time. A basket luncheon was enjoyed at Cameron park in the early evening.

Mrs. Hugh Daley and daughter, Miss Gladys, have returned from a few days spent in the White Mountains.

Mrs. Fred Eccles and baby son David, who have been visiting her sister, Mrs. Fred Naylor, have returned to their home in Providence, R. I. Little Miss Ruth Naylor accompanied her aunt, and expects to make an indefinite stay in Providence.

Rev. W. M. Ford, vicar of St. Andrew's, officiated at the wedding of the mission chapel on last Sunday. Mr. Ford is making preparations for a harvest home service.

Mr. and Mrs. Napoleon Leclerc, together with Mrs. Felix Leclerc and daughter Corinne, went to Manchester, N. H., last Wednesday to attend the funeral of their cousin, J. Cote.

Death.

The community was very much shocked on last week Wednesday to hear of the death of James Kavanaugh, the twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. John Kavanaugh, of Pleasant street. James had been sick but a brief time, and at four o'clock on last week Wednesday morning death came. He had spent the week-end at home with relatives in Providence, R. I., and returned in August for the vacation. On the Thursday of the week before his death he was taken with a cold, the day before his death he grew worse and a trained nurse was in attendance. Typhoid developed shortly and the end came as a result. Much sympathy is expressed to the bereaved parents. Mr. Kavanaugh, who is the overseer of carding in the employ of the Abbot Worsted Co., had just returned to work after an illness of three weeks.

The body was taken to Providence, R. I., on Wednesday afternoon, where services were held.

Among the floral offerings was a beautiful wreath from the pupils and teachers, Miss Mary A. Garvey and Miss Abbie M. Blaisdell; a spray of flowers from the principal, Miss Letitia V. Ward, and a sprig from Miss Eva F. Fyne, teacher of the lower grades of Cameron school.

TOWNSEND

West.

Thomas Deane, of Maynard, spent the week-end with his family, who are stopping at the Squannock Inn, Green Powers, who is employed at C. E. Patch's stable, is on the sick list at the home of his sister, John Powers, Elm street, suffering from blood poisoning in his foot.

Mrs. Caroline Sherwin, from Nashua, N. H., is a guest of Mrs. Ellen Pratt, Elm street.

The body of James Smith, aged forty-six years, a former resident of this village, who passed away on last week Thursday in an institute for the care of tubercular patients, was brought to Townsend and placed in the center and buried in the family lot on last Sunday afternoon at two o'clock with prayers at the grave by Rev. E. M. Chubb, of the First Baptist church. Mr. Smith leaves three children, Ruth, Lester and James, who make their home with their maternal grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Richards, of Josselynville, also three brothers, Thomas, of this village, George of Boston, and William of New Jersey, and two sisters, Mary and Charlotte, whose homes are in New York.

Miss Bertha Cooke, of Fitchburg, spent the week-end with her sister, Miss Corinne Cooke.

James I. Flynn and family, who have spent the summer at their cottage on Lower Main street, closed their place on last week Thursday and returned to their home in Brookline, N. Y.

A little son was born Thursday morning at the selectmen's room at the home of Mr. and Mrs. LeFountain of the Harbor. Mrs. Nellie Newell is caring for the babe.

Mrs. Georgiana McKean left on last week Friday for Heathboro, N. Y., where she is employed as a teacher. After several weeks' extra vacation on account of the precaution against influenza paralysis.

Mrs. M. L. Willard has returned to her home on Main street after a week's visit with relatives in Vermont.

Miss Maud Hodson, from Reading, Mass., is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Moran.

Lawrence L. Webster, tax collector, will be at the selectmen's room at the morning hall at the Center from 9.30 in the morning until 4 in the afternoon on Saturday, October 11, instead of October 12, as advertised on the tax bills, to receive taxes. On the evening of the same day, from 7 to 9.30, he will be at Josselyn's store, Townsend Harbor, for the same purpose.

Madison Timmer has been confined to his home on the Fitchburg road for a few days with an injured eye, received while at his work at the Center.

Mr. and Mrs. John Clarke have returned from a recent visit with friends in Athol.

Mrs. Robert Kaddy, who has been with her daughter in Groton part of the summer, has returned and is at present assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Hathaway.

Mrs. Sankey's Troupe, of Quincy, spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. Alden Sherwin.

Mrs. Cutting celebrated her eighty-fourth birthday at the home of her daughter, Miss Emily Cutting, Main street, Tuesday, and was the recipient of card, fruit and flowers, and received a number of calls from old friends, who are pleased to see her so much improved in health.

The Ladies' Baptist Benevolent society held a baked bean and salad supper at the vestry on Friday evening from 6 to 7.30, followed by a social and entertainment at eight o'clock.

Mr. Matterson, who is employed at

Glenwood advertisement featuring a woman in a kitchen and a Glenwood gas range. Text includes: "It certainly does make cooking easy", "Complete Gas Range attached to the end of Coal Range", "Glenwoods are Brim Full of Good Things", and "J. J. Barry & Co., Ayer".

the granite quarries, is suffering from an injury to his wrist, having gotten a piece of steel in his wrist which required the services of a physician to remove. Fall work at the quarry has now commenced with quite a force of men employed.

Mrs. Brown, from Somerville, is a guest of her sister, Miss Mabelle Sammons at the Townsend boarding-house, which closes for the season on Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Myron Hardy and two children, from Cambridge, N. Y., and Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Hardy, of Nashua, N. H., have been motor guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Hamlin, Stevens, this week.

The residents of the village are pleased to note that in the changes and renovations now taking place at the old Seminary hall building, Main street—the removal of the outside stair-cases on the verandah, thus restoring the old colonial effect to the front of the building.

Mrs. Fred Howard, of Melrose, is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Moran.

Prize Winners. Owing to the fact that the public schools in this end of the town have not yet commenced, there were but a few who took part in the school exhibition at Memorial hall at the Center, but the special second prize of two dollars, from the Parent-Teachers' association, for the best cooking exhibit was won by Miss Janet Clark, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Clark, Josselynville, who also won the second prize offered by the state, as well as two special prizes for canned apparatus and pickles, given by the Grange. Besides these prizes Miss Clark won first prizes for the exhibition of three kinds of shell beans, green squash, and second prizes on turban squash and golden wax beans, and special prizes for mangles and a basket of tomatoes, given by the Grange. Miss Nancy Richards, of Josselynville, won first prize on pea beans, second on McIntosh apples and onions, and special prizes on rainbow corn, crab apple branch and sunflowers. Wesley Sheldon, Elm street, won first prize on beets, and Ralph Sheldon second on carrots. Lester Smith, Josselynville, won second on sweet corn, and James Smith third on bush beans and turnips, showing evidence of the interest and industry of the children along this line of work.

RID YOUR CHILD OF WORMS. Thousands of children have worms that sap their vitality and make them listless and irritable. Kickapoo Worm Killer kills and removes the worms and has a tonic effect on the system. Give your child a spoonful daily. Cry out in sleep or grind its teeth? There are symptoms of worms and your child will find relief for them at once. Kickapoo Worm Killer is a pleasant remedy. At your druggist, 25c.

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Sept. 1, 1916. To the Honorable Board of Selectmen, Ayer, Mass.

The Standard Oil Company of New York respectfully petitions your Honorable Board for license to erect, maintain and use the following iron storage tanks on premises to be acquired by said company between Park Street and the main line of the Boston & Maine Railroad, now owned by Mr. Levi W. Phelps, for the storage and sale of Petroleum products, viz:

One iron tank 9 ft. in diameter and 22 ft. in length. Three iron tanks 10 1/2 ft. in diameter and 25 ft. in length.

STANDARD OIL COMPANY OF NEW YORK. New England Department. By H. A. Wilkinson, Manager. O. W. R.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

CHAS. E. PERRIN

West Street PLUMBER AYER, MASS.

Fall Opening 1916

FRIDAY and SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 and 30

R. M. GRAHAM Millinery

PHELPS' BLOCK AYER, MASS.

The Holyoke Water Heater advertisement. Features a diagram of a water heater and text: "Using Kerosene Oil as Fuel", "The Heater can be attached to any size tank and can be used in connection with or without the coal range", "Price \$19.00", "CHAS. E. PERRIN", "West Street PLUMBER AYER, MASS.", "Fall Opening 1916", "FRIDAY and SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29 and 30", "R. M. GRAHAM Millinery", "PHELPS' BLOCK AYER, MASS.".

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AYER

News Items.

The Christian Science service is held every Sunday morning in the hall at 10.30. The subject for October 1 is "Unreality." There will be a meeting on next Wednesday evening at 7.30, when testimonies of Christian Science healing will be expressed. All are invited to attend.

Robert H. Saunders, son of Robert T. Saunders, who has been employed at the local express office, is now an express messenger, running between Boston and Buffalo, N. Y. He is the youngest messenger on the road. The trip each way requires fourteen hours time.

Arthur W. Nutting, who has conducted the store at Sandy pond during the summer, left last Saturday for his regular duties as telephone switchboard operator on the Fall River line boats running between Fall River and New York city.

Two automobiles, one driven by Joseph Roband, of Gardner, and another by E. Carr, of Halden, came together at the corner of Columbia and Main streets early last Sunday evening. Both cars were only slightly damaged and were taken to the driveway home after the accident.

See Littleton item for grand concert by Frank Stewart Adams, organist.

Mrs. E. F. Chandler will vacate what is known as the parsonage of the Episcopal church this afternoon, and will be in residence at the residence, the first of November.

Bennett Sanderson has returned from his military training as first lieutenant in Battery A of the 1st Cavalry at Polyanna, Pa., and entered Harvard law school last Monday. Miss Charlotte Sanderson returned for another year at Walnut Hill school, Natick, Friday of this week.

Miss Helen Savage enters the Concord school for girls, Thursday, October 5. M. L. Savage left Monday for his fall trip to British Columbia.

Miss Lillian Banford, of Clinton, has declined the position of chief clerk at the Ayer telephone exchange, and Miss Margaret McCarthy, present supervisor of the local exchange, has been promoted to that position.

John Ross, the young son of Mrs. Christine Grove, fell from a tree and broke his right arm. The boy has been laid up for several months with an injury to his knee and has been obliged to use crutches. The new affliction adds further suffering to his already crippled condition.

Miss May Peterson has returned to her duties at the Ayer telephone exchange after a trip to New York and Pennsylvania.

Stephen Ryan began his studies at Harvard college Monday in a three-year mechanical engineering course. Mr. Ryan formerly attended the University of Maine.

The annual inspection of George S. Boutwell post, G. A. R., will take place at the regular post meeting on Thursday evening, October 5. The members of Capt. George V. Barrett camp, S. O. V., have accepted an invitation to be present at the open meeting after inspection. All members are requested to be present. Lunch will be served and an informal program given.

Frank Davis has severed his connection with the Peabody Company as night fireman. Mr. Murray, the day fireman, takes his place.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram K. Slayton, his mother and his sister, of Marlboro, have returned after a visit to Mr. and Mrs. Francis L. M. Merchant and young son Joseph returned Thursday to their home in Cambridge after a visit to her father, Rev. J. W. Thomas.

J. H. McMahon has moved from his tenement on Church street to the Clark house on Grove street, where he will reside.

Elmer E. Duncklee, motorman on the Lowell and Fitchburg street railway, is having his vacation. Mrs. Duncklee, who has been visiting in Milford, N. H., has returned.

Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Blanchard and little daughter are visiting this week in Worcester and Brimfield.

A large number from here attended the annual fair in Grotton on Thursday. The dust nuisance continues unabated on West street. The residents of this thoroughfare are very patient waiters, but they think that it is high time that an application of oil or some other dust laying article should be made on West street. The other sections of the town have received applications of oil and water and some streets of both such dust layers, but the only application of dust preventive on West street is given by Nature in the form of rain, which at times is so heavy that it washes away everything but the rocks.

The Ayer Electric Light Company is just closing its fall campaign for house wiring under the efficient direction of J. S. Bush, of Boston. They have been very successful in town and secured about twenty-five new contracts for wiring houses. Next week Mr. Bush goes to Harvard for the week. The following houses have already been wired and connected: The one on Leary, George Farrar and H. A. Downing.

The Livingston house recently occupied by Basset Dickerman and his wife, who were removed for electricity by the Ayer Electric Light Co. and will be occupied later in the fall by Henry L. Brown.

The following ladies of the Ayer Branch Alliance attended the neighborhood meeting at Milford, N. H., Thursday: Mrs. Marie Clark, Mrs. Susan Barker, Mrs. H. A. Bixby, Mrs. George J. Burns, Miss Emma Bartlett, Mrs. Verna Hillman, Mrs. H. B. Priest, and Mrs. Caroline Wyman. The speaker was Rev. Samuel R. Maxwell of Boston. This was a very fine address and very appropriate at the present time.

one likes, having a wonderful grip on an audience.

Last Saturday afternoon a very pleasant birthday party was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Fletcher on Washington street when a double celebration occurred for the two little daughters—Marjory whose ninth birthday was September 28, and Barbara, who was five on September 19. Fourteen little people made up the party—Edna King, Marguerite Perrin, Margaret Marshall, Catherine Hopkins, Toobie and Edna Traquair, Teddy Turner, Marlon Dwinell, Priscilla Osgood, Evelyn Johnson, Marjorie Sanderson, Marjory and Barbara and Olive Fletcher. The children played games upon the lawns lawn and later in the house. Supper was served of abundant dainties, one being a large birthday cake. It was a real treat for the children who were very happy during the moment of the party, which opened at three and closed at six o'clock. The little hostess were the recipients of many gifts from their little friends.

Miss Priscilla Millen entered Radcliffe college, Cambridge, Monday.

Miss Ruth Fisher, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Thomas L. Fisher, Leominster, is teaching French and German in the high school at Nantucket.

Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, of Leominster, formerly vicar of St. Andrew's church, was in town on Wednesday.

Mrs. Josie Morgan, of Waltham, was in town Wednesday on her way to the Cuming's of Fitchburg, on her way to that city.

Mr. Swartz, who occupies the store on Merchants' row, it is said, will vacate when his lease expires next December. The store will be occupied by the first floor for their business.

Harry Brooks Sweet, who was in town to inspect his work at the First Unitarian church, was in town on Tuesday and Thursday of this week.

Rev. H. E. Hinckley, who was employed in the printing office of H. S. Turner in 1891, was in town on Tuesday, calling upon his former acquaintances. For some time past he has been pastor of the Immanuel Baptist church in New Bedford, but owing to the health of his wife in that city, he moved to Randolph, Vt., where he is pastor of the First Baptist church in that place.

About forty of the singers of Ayer met in Hardy's hall on Tuesday evening and it was voted to make an organization, a committee being chosen to bring in names of future officers and other business pertaining to a local society as follows: Dr. B. H. Hopkins, Mrs. E. W. Carley and Frank Harlow. The next meeting will be at the same hall on Tuesday evening, October 5. The members of the promoters is for a full attendance. They hope all those who received invitations will try and help out this worthy organization by their attendance and cooperation.

Federated church services—On Sunday morning the pastor will speak on the subject, "It is also written." Sunday school will meet at noon at the Federated church, and the members of the church will be present. The sermon subject for the evening service will be "The possibilities of spiritual development as illustrated by the story of Jean Valjean in 'Les Miserables.'" The boys' choir will please be present in the morning at 10.30. Mid-week service in the vestry on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The program will be observed by the Sunday school as rally day, a large number being present. There was a special program of music and recitations, and addresses were given by Messrs. Johnson, Traquair and Merrill Webb and several visitors.

The first regular meeting of the Woman's club will be held in Hardy's hall on Wednesday afternoon, October 4. The program will consist of reports of the Federation meetings; the report of the Lynn convention will be given by Mrs. Hill and Mrs. Plimpton. A large attendance is expected. The program will be: "The Lorelei," Mrs. Liza Kelly; "Prelude," Mrs. B. J. Kelly; "Aldelma," Mrs. B. J. Kelly; "La deluge," Mrs. Stens; Prof. Kelly; "Spring's awakening," Mrs. Kelly.

The W. C. T. U. will hold their annual meeting and election of officers for the ensuing year in the vestry of the Baptist church on Friday afternoon, October 6, at 2.30 o'clock. A full attendance is requested.

The Unitarian Free club will meet on Thursday evening, October 5, at 7.30 o'clock. The October meeting of the Ayer Branch Alliance will be held on Thursday afternoon, October 5, at 7.30 o'clock, with Mrs. H. A. Bixby. The following hostesses will entertain: Mrs. Bixby, Mrs. J. S. Hall, Mrs. Frank Lawton and Mrs. W. E. Murphy. A large attendance is desired as the experience meeting will immediately follow the business, and a large sum is hoped to be realized at this meeting. The members are reminded of the neighborhood meeting at Littleton, which will be held on Friday afternoon, October 6, at the Unitarian vestry at 7.30 o'clock. The Ayer Branch is cordially invited to be present.

Preaching at the Baptist church next Sunday by the pastor, subject, "The mystery of suffering," followed by the communion service Sunday at twelve. Praise meeting at seven p. m., by young people's chorus and congregation; subject of evening service, "Always rejoice." E. W. Murphy, Tuesday evening at 7.30. Weekly prayer meeting Thursday at 7.30 p. m. The annual meeting of the Wachusett association will be held Tuesday, October 3, with the Baptist church in Athol.

The regular meeting of the W. R. C. will be held on Tuesday afternoon, October 3, at 2.0 o'clock. A full attendance is desired to prepare for the annual inspection on October 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy West, of Malden, and Miss Bessie West and Miss Anna Deming, of Somerville, motored to Ayer on last Sunday morning and spent the day with Mr. and Mrs. R. M. 'Ahoon.

Merrill Webb visited in Springfield this week.

E. D. Moore succeeds R. J. Widdis as engineer at the tannery.

Charles A. McElaney of the coast artillery corps, stationed at Fort Terry, N. Y., visited here last week. He is a former resident of this place.

There are now over seventy men employed in the new yard extension work. The employees are mostly Austrians. Good progress is now being made on the big job.

A change of time will take place on the Boston and Maine system beginning on Sunday.

George H. Hill, Dr. E. B. Butterfield and Herbert L. Farnsworth have returned from an auto trip to the White Mountains.

Frederick Lebarge, of Lowell, a frequent visitor here, died in that city on Monday. He was a former owner of the Lowell and a much respected citizen. Mr. Lebarge married Miss Mary Scully, formerly of Ayer.

A party of members of Ayer Grange visited on Friday afternoon in the town of Bridgewater, where the occasion was neighbors' night, which was observed by the latter organization.

At the last meeting of Vesta Rebekah lodge, the subject was the election of the district deputy president, Mrs. Harriet Smith, of Fitchburg. Lunch was served.

Don't forget the special town meeting this week Friday evening at the town hall at 7.30 sharp. The question to come up for consideration is the matter of building the much discussed piece of highway on Park street between Olin's 1200 in house and Main street. The proponents of the plan to have this piece of state road built offer as the chief argument, which is that the highway would be a first-class road between Pingreeville and the pumping station at a cost of not less than \$20,000, providing that town should the section of Park street above referred to. In a conversation with D. C. Smith, superintendent of streets, this week Friday morning over the telephone, the city engineer, State Highway Commission, stated that the commission had already set apart \$15,000 for the Pingreeville road and would probably spend \$100,000 in house to make the road that the commission desires to build. A Portland cement highway, which is the last word in good road construction.

W. W. Harney, who is a tailor, has his fall opening next Tuesday. See his new advertisement in another column.

The store of J. Cushing & Co., Ayer, grain dealers, beginning October 1, will be in charge of the business of the following firms: Caswell, A. L. Glover, H. Turner.

Long in the Railroad Business. George E. Dudley of Melrose Highlands, died there last week Thursday at the age of nearly sixty-two years. He had been in failing health for some time, yet up to last Tuesday attended his duties as a railroad man at his offices in Boston. He was a native of Glimanor, N. H., and through his business life had been connected with the railroad business.

In the early eighties Mr. Dudley became a clerk for the old Fitchburg railroad in Boston, and from there was transferred to the Boston and North Adams, to fill an important position, and when the road was merged with the Troy and Boston, Mr. Dudley was sent to Troy, N. Y., as local freight agent. In 1899 was made division freight agent.

Two years later, Mr. Dudley came back to Boston as general eastern agent for the Boston and Maine, the Fitchburg line was taken over by the Boston and Maine, with which company Mr. Dudley continued in the same capacity. He removed his office to the North Adams station over to the Boston Chamber of Commerce building about two years ago, to handle better the foreign and domestic freight business.

For seven years Mr. Dudley was secretary of the New England Freight association and was a charter member of the Traffic club of Boston, and a member of the Railroad and Steamboat association of Boston, of which he was at one time president.

Mr. Dudley, while in Ayer, was billing and collecting for the Fitchburg railroad about forty years ago. He was married three times. His first wife was Sarah Earle; daughter of one of the original settlers of Ayer. His second wife was Frances Willard, daughter of Marshall Willard also of this town, and his third wife is Lillian Batcher of Melrose Highlands.

He had three children, two children—Mrs. Herbert G. Whitney of Ayer; Mrs. John W. Dahl and Luella and George E. Dudley of Melrose Highlands. His only son, Mr. Dudley, was in the military service. Mrs. Whitney and his sister, Mrs. Mary Jones of Rockland, attended the funeral. Mrs. Jones came to Ayer on Thursday afternoon and returned to her home on Friday of this week, visiting with Mrs. Whitney.

By his first wife he had one child, the record of which was lost; the wife who survives him two children.

Mix-up in Committee. In regard to the mix-up over the republican town committee in the vote cast at the primary election, it was there were eight names added to the official printed list on the ballot, by writing in names of members of another party, the making of the unusual number, seven, the following extracts from the law will prevent enlightening:

St. 1913, chap. 42, struck out the words "not more than seven" and left the committee to consist of not less than three persons.

St. 1914, chap. 730, sec. 13, provided that the committee should consist of not less than three nor more than seven persons, and that the committee at its organization meeting might add to its membership.

St. 1915, chap. 42, struck out the words "not more than seven" and left the committee to consist of not less than three persons, with the power to add to its membership at its organization meeting.

The old committee fixed the number at seven and so notified the secretary of state. The committee of last year did not fix any number or send any number to the state secretary.

The contention of the republican town organization is, therefore, that as no such number as above required was notified the secretary of the commonwealth, and as the regular number of the old committee was seven and so recognized, that number shall be the legal number of the members constituting the officially nominated committee on the ballot shall be the republican town committee for 1917.

District Court. Two sad cases came to the attention of the court last Saturday morning when George Flanders and William J. McKenna were arraigned on complaints for vagrancy. The court asked Officer Mills for lodging the previous night and spent the night in the police station.

Flanders said Judge Alwood that he suffered from consumption of the lungs. He said that he had been wandering about trying to find work that in his enfeebled condition he was able to do, but being without money, he was obliged to give up. He and his companion walked from Lowell to

Ayer and when they arrived here he was unable to go any farther. His appearance plainly told of his sufferings. Flanders asked the court to commit him to some institution where he could receive much needed treatment. He said he had been in the state sanitarium at Wakefield some time ago. The court complied with his request and committed him to the state farm in Bridgewater, where he will undergo treatment at a hospital connected with the institution.

McKenna also was sadly in need of medical care and made a similar request. He was also sent to the state farm at Bridgewater. McKenna is fifty-five and McKenna as sixty-two.

Harry Harman, of Wakefield, was charged with going away without stopping after causing damage to property in Grotton on September 17. He was found guilty and discharged into custody. The complaint, which is the first of its kind to come to the attention of the court, related to an occurrence in which his automobile, which was driven to Grotton, and killed a valuable dog belonging to William Gale, and failed to stop to make his identity known. Mrs. Gale said that she saw the automobile stop to Harmon to stop, and that he failed to do so. The automobile number was procured and with the assistance of Chief Dowling of the Grotton police department, who notified the State Highway Commission, it was learned that the automobile registered under the number given belonged to Harmon.

Harmon, in his defense, stated that he was returning to Wakefield in his Buick runabout with two companions, proceeding from Grotton to Boston, when the accident occurred. He said that he had no knowledge that he had run over the dog as alleged, and that he heard no shouts to stop. He admitted that the number obtained was the same as the one he had on his car.

The court found that as the defendant was driving the automobile and had not knowingly went away of the offense did not come within the purview of the criminal statute and ordered him discharged. The court, however, intimated that the plaintiff might enter a civil suit for damages. The witnesses included Mr. and Mrs. Gale, their young nephew and Chief Dowling.

Charles Magazauskas, of Pepperell, whose surname resembles a jumbled alphabet, was arraigned Thursday morning on a charge of larceny, said to be the result of his having appropriated a man's suit twenty-five feet in length from the paper mill of the Nashua River Paper Company, at Pepperell, in the town of England, and being no available interpreter, the case was continued until Friday morning. The defendant was found guilty on the charge of larceny and sentenced to three months in the house of correction.

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that of Senator Charles A. Kimball of Littleton and Immanuel Pfeiffer, Jr., of Bedford, for the senatorial nomination in the 7th Middlesex district. Saunders carried Ayer by a margin of 13 votes, his vote being 63 to 50 for his opponent, Mr. Torrey.

The only contest on the democratic ticket was that between Mr. Mansfield for the nomination for governor, in which Mansfield swamped his opponent, 68 to 7.

An unexpected contest was the composition of the republican town committee for 1917, in which there are names suggestive of other party membership. Eight names were written in on the ballot after the regular official committee's names, which makes the total number of the new committee 15, instead of 7, as intended.

The meeting was called to order at five o'clock. These were the election officers: Michael J. Carey, Edward E. Sawyer, William J. Donion, Valdo W. Sprague, Martin S. Donahue, Charles L. Washburn and Francis E. Sullivan.

The total vote cast was 150, of which 75 were republican, 35 democratic and 1 prohibitionist. Three defective ballots were thrown out. The vote in the different contests will be found below:

Governor, 6th district, Muligan 48, Harris 32, auditor, Cook 60, Brown 33, senator, 7th Middlesex district, Kimball 68, Pfeiffer 43, Crosby 7, representative, 1st district, Sprague 50, county commissioner, Earlow 54, McIntire 24, Adams 16, associate commissioner, Barnes 68, Brown 30, trier, attorney, Lutz 15, Brown 30, Hixling 21, Clark 4, register of probate, East 57, Andrews 16, Brown 14, delegates to state convention, J. M. Maloney, A. Richardson, town committee, Charles E. Yates, Ebenezer Stone, John W. Maloney, Edward A. Richardson, H. S. Turner, Theodore W. Barry, Charles E. Yates, John L. Kennison, Eugene Rousseau, John J. Markham, James Hillery, W. F. Fitzgerald, William J. Donion, Francis B. Sullivan, Michael J. Carey, republican, Governor, Mansfield 68, Cole 7, delegates, 12, Sprague 50, Brown 30, Carney 42, George L. Wilson 40, town committee, Michael E. Markham, Jas. Edman, Tuesday afternoon. "The five-year program" was the subject of the meeting.

Mr. Tomb, of Georgia, is the guest of Mr. Drury at his cottage on Prospect Hill road.

Dennis Neyland, of Readville, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Neyland, last Sunday.

The Red Maple Inn is now open for business and have this week entertained a party from Maine and New Hampshire. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holland are very pleasant people and it is hoped they will do a good business at the inn.

On Thursday afternoon occurred the death of Henry Bliss at the home of his son, William Bliss, North Lancaster. Mr. Bliss lived in Still River for several years and was the first fireman at the Boston and Maine railroad crossing at Still River station. He held his place on Prospect Hill road a few years ago to A. Hutchinson and moved to Shirley. His wife died about two years ago, since which time he has lived with his son William. Mr. Bliss was a veteran of the civil war and never tired of telling his war experiences. He has been in failing health for a couple of years and his death was expected.

Chester Willard has this week been giving his two large barns, which he done he will fill silos for several other parties.

AUCTIONS. Monday, October 16, at 9 a. m., all the personal property of C. B. C. Cutter, Weston. Friday, October 13, at 1 p. m., 15 head of stock and personal property of C. H. Christensen, South Sudbury. Saturday, September 30, at 10 a. m., the entire herd of cattle belonging to Charles A. Kimball, Littleton. Monday, October 2, at 10 a. m., cows, milk and beef of belonging to F. E. Rippe, Weston.

New Advertisements. HOUSE FOR SALE—A Modern seven-room house with Bath and all Modern Improvements, centrally located in Ayer; good neighborhood and good location. Apply to Public Spirit Office, Ayer, Mass. TO LET—Tenements of 3 and 4 rooms; new paper, paint, etc. Few dollars per month. Apply at 22 FAIR STREET, Ayer, Mass. PUPS FOR SALE—Pedigree Beagle Hounds. HARRY R. DRAFER, Ayer, Mass. 411.

Violin Instruction. Miss Kathleen Wright, pupil of Felix Weinstock, and graduate of the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, will teach in Ayer on Tuesday afternoons by appointment. Address, 17 Green Street, Lowell, Mass. Telephone, Lowell 1848-N.

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WINTER SCHEDULE. LOWELL & FITCHBURG ST. RY. CO. In Effect September 11, 1916. Last car from Merrimack Square for Ayer, Forge Village and Grantville on Monday, September 25, at 10.20 a. m. Saturdays one hour later. Last car from Ayer for North Chelmsford and Lowell 9.05 p. m. Saturdays one hour later.

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of the village at Mrs. William B. Has-kell's. The Ladies' Mission circle of the Baptist church met with Mrs. Abble Edman Tuesday afternoon. "The five-year program" was the subject of the meeting. Mr. Tomb, of Georgia, is the guest of Mr. Drury at his cottage on Prospect Hill road. Mrs. Yates had her sister from Boston with her last week. Dennis Neyland, of Readville, was the guest of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Neyland, last Sunday. The Red Maple Inn is now open for business and have this week entertained a party from Maine and New Hampshire. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Holland are very pleasant people and it is hoped they will do a good business at the inn. On Thursday afternoon occurred the death of Henry Bliss at the home of his son, William Bliss, North Lancaster. Mr. Bliss lived in Still River for several years and was the first fireman at the Boston and Maine railroad crossing at Still River station. He held his place on Prospect Hill road a few years ago to A. Hutchinson and moved to Shirley. His wife died about two years ago, since which time he has lived with his son William. Mr. Bliss was a veteran of the civil war and never tired of telling his war experiences. He has been in failing health for a couple of years and his death was expected. Chester Willard has this week been giving his two large barns, which he done he will fill silos for several other parties.

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SHIRLEY

News Items. The first motion picture show given in this town by George S. Poulis of Ayer occurred Monday evening and was a great success. A large crowd being present. The play on next Monday evening will be "Big Jim Garrity," a Pathé production, in five parts, featuring Robert Edson, the famous actor.

Quite a number were present at the Alliance meeting last week Thursday at the home of Rev. and Mrs. Bridgman. Rev. G. E. Woodman gave a very interesting paper on patriotism with a splendid account of the designing of the Stars and Stripes. The president, Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman, announced a gift of five dollars from one of the members, making a total of over seventy-five dollars raised from the recent sale. The hostess, Mrs. Bridgman, served a very appetizing lunch. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Mildred T. Grout on October 5. The members are requested to bring items of religious intelligence.

Mrs. Richard Pomfret left last Saturday for the home of her son, George Pomfret, in Waverley, having received word of the sudden illness of Mrs. Hotchkiss, mother of Mrs. George Pomfret, who has been stricken with a shock.

Mrs. E. Harris left recently for a visit at the home of her daughter, Mrs. F. Keyes, in Aburndale.

Frank H. Wheeler has returned from a visit to West Point, where he attended a meeting of the agents of the D. & H. Railroad.

At the meeting of the registrars on last Saturday evening the following new voters were registered: Charles J. Chaisson, Harry E. Withington, Leonard T. Hooper, Lewis W. Parsons, Joseph L. Peabody, Charles A. McCarthy.

Mrs. Charles Stebbins and daughter, Miss May Stebbins, Mrs. Joseph Allen, Mrs. George S. Wells, Mrs. Hooper and Mrs. Lavonne Eaton made a trip by auto to the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur N. Herson in Newmarket, N. H., last Saturday. The party left Shirley at seven in the morning and arrived back in town at 10.30 at night, and reported a most delightful time.

Rodney Brown, clerk at Conant Bros., is taking his annual vacation.

Mrs. Grace Hutchins has left the Frank W. Snell house and has returned to Boston.

Miss Agnes Lynch leaves this week for St. Lawrence university, Canton, N. Y.

The Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church will serve a salad and baked bean supper in the vestry next Tuesday evening at seven o'clock; entertainment at eight o'clock.

Mrs. Chester Sawyer and son, of Braintree, are at the home of Mrs. Inez F. Sawyer.

Mrs. Otto L. London and daughter Bernice, of Cambridge, are guests at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. James L. Holland.

Miss Frances Herson is spending a week with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Arthur M. Herson, of Newmarket, N. H.

The Altrurian club calendar has been placed in the hands of the club members by the treasurer, Miss Gertrude L. Conant.

Mrs. Frank C. Park is entertaining her sister, Miss Nellie Colburn.

Mrs. Laura Bailou has had furnace heat installed in her house.

Misses Annie P. and Nina M. Holbrook were week-end guests of relatives in Sutton.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris G. Cutler and family left on Wednesday evening for Lowell, where they observed the Jewish New Year. Their departure was on Friday evening, their store being closed during their absence.

D. Chester Parsons is taking a week's vacation.

The train leaving Shirley for Boston on week days at 10 is to be taken off after Sunday, October 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Lawrence and Mrs. A. M. Cram entertained over the week-end Mr. and Mrs. George Russell, Harry Russell, Miss Julia Emery and Mr. and Mrs. George Carrar, all of Nashua. The party motored to Whalom on Sunday, where they were joined by Mr. and Mrs. Percy Wheeler, of Orange, with several friends. The party enjoyed a basket lunch after which a motor trip was taken through Lancaster, Clinton and West Boylston.

Quite a number of the residents of the town enjoyed a free ride to Boston on Wednesday, it being stockholders' day of the Boston and Maine railroad.

Shirley is represented in the entering class of the Massachusetts Institute of Technology by Howard W. Emerson.

The dance given by the members of the fire department for the benefit of Alexander Booth, whose physical condition is so frail, was a great success. After paying all expenses the firemen netted the sum of \$20.50, which they gave to Mr. Booth. The firemen also entertained the family to thank all those who patronized the dance or helped or assisted in any way. They are also grateful to the Crescent orchestra, who gave their services for a gradual sinking.

Mr. and Mrs. Newbert Sanderson, who some three weeks ago sold a march on their many friends by slipping away very quietly for matrimony, arrived home last Wednesday evening.

The Ladies of the Congregational church met on Wednesday in the church parlor for sewing plans for the fair, where which is to be held early in November.

Mrs. Walter Cole, who has been ill for some time, has been taken to the Clinton hospital for treatment.

Mrs. Clarence Lohnes is spending a three-weeks' vacation with relatives in Boston and Everett.

Mrs. Eddie Baker has returned home from a visit of several days, spent at the home of Mr. and Mrs. James Lenox, of Jefferson, N. H.

Miss Lena Tewksbury is in Chicago and Greenfield, for a stay of ten days.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen leave Tuesday for a vacation of two weeks, to be spent in New York city, Dunham, N. Y., and Niagara Falls.

Mrs. and Mrs. Dana Somes and two children, with maid, who have been spending the summer here, will return Tuesday to Boston for the winter.

The Shirley Industrial school and the Fitchburg High will play a game of football this Saturday in Fitchburg.

Primaries. Primaries were held at Engine hall on Tuesday evening, the polls being opened at 6.30 and closed at 8.30. Lewis Bradford, town clerk, read the

warrant and Charles H. Weare, Jr., selectman, presided during the session. Out of a registered list of 306, 76 votes were cast, 57 republican and 19 democratic ballots being cast; one ballot was thrown out, being marked illegal. The special feature of the vote was the splendid support given to the republican ticket by the voters for district attorney, going way ahead of his opponents by a large margin.

The following were the election officers: Moderator, Cassey, Harry O. Bangs, Michael Glonet, Thomas J. Gately, Morton E. Lawrence, Ardie A. Adams, Jeremiah H. Flynn, Arthur G. Dunn, John H. Flynn and Walter Knowles. The vote in the principal contests is given below:

Auditor, Cook 24, Brown 23; senator, 8th district, Colburn 33, Marchand 18; councillor, Harris 33, Murgan 17; representative, Torris 30, Saunders 17; county commissioner, Barlow 30, Adams 15; McIntire 8; associate commissioner, 14; Hale 28; district attorney, Tufts 41, Brown and Higgins 34; Clark 2; registrar of probate, Esty 34; Town Meeting delegates, 15; state convention, Henry Brockelman; town committee, James J. Brown, W. H. Wheeler, H. W. Stebbins, H. W. Brockelman, A. G. Dunn, C. J. Stebbins, R. H. J. Holden, republican; Governor, Mansfield, 23; selectman, 11; town convention, Thomas S. Gately; town committee, E. F. O'Neil, Joseph Murphy, Roger Biglow, Aubrey Wornham, John H. Flynn, democratic.

To the Editor: The hammer that breaks a piece of steel can be used to weld two pieces together. With a definite aim, these powerful aids to success, Boost and the world boost with you. I have made a study of my business to know my profession in every detail. I sold my store building because I wanted to do so, but I have moved my stock of goods a little farther down Main street, at my new residence, where I have about 3000 feet of floor space which I am now fitting up for a large, roomy store. I am prepared to either branch out my business, or to sell. L. B. Tuttle, Ayer.

Center. Mrs. A. L. Bumpus and little daughter Theodora, who have been spending the summer at W. E. Barnard's, returned last week Friday to their home in Brookline, N. Y.

Mrs. Cynthia Lynch has moved from her bungalow on Center road to her house on the corner of Center and Hazen roads. The bungalow will be occupied by parties from Ayer.

The lawn party which was planned for last Saturday evening was not held on account of the threatening weather.

Robert J. Evans returned this week to New York for his second year at General Divinity school, after spending a short vacation at the home of his mother, Mrs. Ida Evans.

Rev. and Mrs. H. A. Bridgman and family, who planned to return to Brookline last week Friday, are staying a few days longer at their house on Center road on account of the postponement of the opening of the schools in Brookline.

Forrest B. Wink, who has been spending the past two weeks at the home of his grandfather, Albert Adams, returned Monday to Cambridge to enter his senior year at Harvard college.

About twenty of the young people spent a pleasant social evening at the home of Rev. H. A. Bridgman last Saturday evening, with games and music. Refreshments of cake and punch were served.

Robert H. J. Holden entered on Monday his second year at Harvard law school.

At the meeting of Shirley Grange on Tuesday evening, October 3, the first and second degrees will be conferred.

Rev. William C. Adams will supply the pulpit of the First Parish church on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock; subject of sermon, Superstition and superstitions, showing the origin of the fables of popular superstitions and the superior claims of a true religious belief.

Miss Hazel E. Cummings returned last week to resume studies at the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston.

LUNENBURG

News Items. Rufus W. Stimson, agent of the vocational department of the State Board of Education, gave an illustrated lecture in the town hall last week on the subject of "The Vocational Training of the Young Man." His pictures were very fine and remarkably clear, and all were in the interest of agriculture, showing what is being done along that line in many of the high schools in the town. Pictures of students feeding calves, milking cows, poultry and swine were shown, and many of them at work on the farm with various crops, home of cultivating, amount of success attending their labors, etc. The lecture was very interesting and instructive, the pictures fine and every one who failed to hear it missed a chance to receive a most valuable and practical talk on vocational training. It was given this fall and winter. The only copy of Mr. Stimson's first book, "The Vocational Training of the Young Man," is now being sold by order of the postmaster general. Each patron will receive a copy of his new number.

The Grange will hold a poultry show in the town hall on October 1. It will be a "Massachusetts Agricultural college community day." Some of the subjects to be discussed are "The next step in the development of agricultural and community life," Miss Fannie Graves will have charge of the music and Miss Ethel E. Emerson will present a farce.

The W. C. T. U. will hold its annual all-day meeting to work for the fall on October 1. The meeting will be in the chapel of the Methodist church. Mrs. Clara A. Webber, of Leominster, will be present and make her official visit, and it is hoped every member will make an effort to attend. Dinner will be served at twelve o'clock.

Children's Fair. The children's fair under the auspices of the Woman's club was held in the town hall last Saturday afternoon and was visited by throngs of people who would have been pleased to see the exhibition continued through the evening. There was a fine display of fruit, flowers, vegetables, canned fruit and a table devoted to cooked food, including bread and a fine variety of cakes. Another table was filled with hand-made articles of fine needlework, sewing, crochet, embroidery, etc. The exhibits in every class being made by children ranging in age from six to nineteen years. It was really

wonderful what fine work some of the very youngest had done.

In canned fruit George Wakefield exhibited 62 jars, only one of each variety of fruit, vegetables or meat; Ruth Brown 45 varieties; Kathryn Francis 36 varieties in 41 jars. Mrs. Florence Warner, Worcester, director of the Worcester County Fair bureau, was judge of this department, and she thought each one of these three deserved a first prize. She also invited them to send jars to the third Eastern State exhibition to be held in Springfield next month. She thought this exhibit the finest of its kind she had ever seen.

Marguerita Woods entered 15 varieties; Minnie Martin 12 varieties, and each won second prizes. Third prizes were won by Bernice Thompson with 3 varieties, and Helen Gilchrist with 3 varieties. The children themselves did all of the work of raising, preparing and canning all this amount of food, and every bit of it "looked good enough to eat."

C. J. Heslam, of Fitchburg, was judge of the vegetable exhibit, and Gordon L. Brown won first prize for collection. Dorothy Gilchrist with 3 varieties, and Helen Gilchrist with 3 varieties. The children themselves did all of the work of raising, preparing and canning all this amount of food, and every bit of it "looked good enough to eat."

The exhibits of the sewing table were so judged by Mrs. Marion Warren: first to Elizabeth Warren, Grace Burrage, May Brown, Rosamond Cross, Marguerita Woods and Laura Emery; second to Mrs. Burrage, Dorothy Cross, Ruth Hamden and Ruth Cornwell; third, Edith Davis, Carolyn McIntyre, Charlotte Adams and Elanthe Adams.

The flower show was judged by Mrs. Mary E. Ewing, who awarded first prize for collection of potted plants, 25, to Stanley L. Brown; collection of cut flowers, Dorothy Cross and Dorothy Bigelow; second, Dorothy Bigelow, Maurice Gilchrist, Philip Gilchrist, Dorothy Francis, Rosamond Cross and Marguerita Woods; third, Dorothy Bigelow, Gladys Merrill, Edith Davis and Marguerita Woods.

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BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items. Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Corey with their daughter Eva, son Harry and niece, Hazel Goss, motored to Tilton last week Monday, where Miss Eva remained to attend the seminary. On their way there they stopped at the camp at Concord and made a short visit with the boys from home.

September 20 Mrs. Charles Stickney entertained about a dozen relatives at a dinner at her home in Tilton. The occasion was the birthday of her brother, Perley Pearce.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nye last week entertained Miss Anne Sylvan of Dorchester, Mass., and their daughter, Mrs. Ernest Nye, of Sandown.

September 17 Mr. and Mrs. Pierre Beauchemin with their children, Albani, Germaine, Cecil, George and Miss Bernadine Mason, all of Fitchburg, motored to Tilton to be the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander L'Ecuyer for the day.

Mrs. Mary Smith left last week on Thursday for Barre, Mass., where she is to spend the winter with her sister, Mr. and Mrs. George Neudham of Milford drove over last week Wednesday and spent the day with his sister, Mrs. Ellen Swift.

At the grammar school last week Friday afternoon Miss Juliet Gilson gave a talk on Cecil Rhodes to the children and the parents or friends who wished to attend. Mrs. Davis of the Milford street school also had her school in attendance and the lecture was most interesting to all.

Last week Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Hall left for an auto trip of about a week to the Adirondack Mrs. and to the home of his sister, Mrs. Nye.

Eleven members of the Loyal Workers met at the home of Miss Josephine Seaver September 20. Mrs. Mollie Gilson in behalf of her daughter, Mrs. Emma Weston, of Southville, Mass., presented a quilt to the circle to be sold at the fair, which was made by Mrs. Sarah Shattuck. Mrs. Hattie Stiles entertained the workers with selections of the home-made and home-made fudge was served by the hostess.

Mrs. William Brown, who fell from her back steps and injured herself quite severely about two weeks ago, is able to be about a little each day.

Mrs. Patrick O'Connell and daughter Mary spent the last week-end visiting friends and relatives in Cambridge, Mass.

Ota Pimpas of Pepperell spent the last week-end with his father who has been ill for about a week.

Miss Hazel Goss left for Wilton last Saturday, where she is to substitute as stenographer for a couple of weeks.

Mrs. Augusta Gould last week entertained her sister, Mrs. E. L. Bryant, of Manchester.

Mrs. Williamson of Medford, Mass., was a guest last week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Perley Pearce.

Mrs. Nancy Partrick, Mrs. Ellen Swift and Mrs. Warren Gould spent last week Monday in Milford.

Mrs. Ella Rockwood was a visitor in Milford and Nashua and Pepperell September 18.

of Brockton, Mass., and the best man, Harold J. Morse, brother of the groom.

The bride looked exquisite in her gown of ivory white duchess satin with pearl trimmings, the drop being trimmed with imported Venetian lace, and a court train with an over drapery of ivory white silk net, fastened with orange blossoms. The veil of bridal tulle, was also held in place with orange blossoms. The bride's shower bouquet was bridal roses and lilies-of-the-valley. The maid of honor carried an arm bouquet of bride roses and sweet peas, and the bridesmaids carried arm bouquets of pale pink asters. Their dresses were of pale yellow tulle. The ushers were Ralph Hadley of Cambridge, Mass., Bernard Slocombe of West Hollis, and Eldorus Fessenden, brother of the bride. Prof. A. G. Scaver, of Townsend, played the wedding marches, Wagner's Lohengrin for the ceremony and Mendelssohn's for the reception.

The bride's gifts to her maids were gold pieces, and to the ushers gold scarf pins. The groom's gift to his best man was a gold fob. The wedding gifts to the bride couple included silver, cut glass, china, gold, furniture, rugs and most everything else for the furnishing of a cozy and beautiful home. The guests were served with a delicious lunch, and the bride, bride herself having made the wedding cake, which was a beautiful work of art.

Guests were present from all nearby towns, Brockton, Springfield, Boston, Newton, Wakefield, New York and many other places. Mr. and Mrs. Morse left late that evening for a three-day honeymoon to Nova Scotia, Prince Edward Island and Maine.

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Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to the Probate Court, to wit: ADA L. IRWIN who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, as ADA IRWIN.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the eighteenth day of October, A. D. 1916, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

Witness Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Justice of said County, the fourteenth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen. 214 F. M. ESTY, Register.

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HARVARD

News Items. The Grange will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday, October 3. The entertainment will be competitive. The young members, the old members, age limit to be forty years. The meeting promises to be one of the best for the year. The losers in the competition for November 7. The play to be given on Monday evening, October 16, is progressing favorably and will be one of the best of the season. The proceeds of this play will be devoted entirely to the purchase of a given in connection with the annual fruit-poultry show given by the Grange on October 19, citizens of which are to be distributed very soon. The committee have arranged some attractive prizes. A gold-plated safety razor, donated by the Gillette Company for this occasion will be one of the apple prizes. The display of canned products in the ladies' department will certainly be one of the best given in this state, as a large number of entries are expected to be made. The annual meeting of the Harvard Historical society will be held in the Memorial rooms on Tuesday evening, October 3, at eight o'clock.

Miss Annie Buckley, an interesting speaker connected with the Woman's Board of Missions, will speak at the Congregational church on Thursday afternoon, October 5, at 2:30 o'clock. All are cordially invited to attend. Friends of Miss Dorothy West will be pleased to know that she has been selected by the Worcester County Farm Bureau to go on a team of three to compete in an expert bread-making contest in connection with the team from all the eastern states, this to be held in Springfield. Miss West regrets very much that owing to school duties she will not be able to attend.

Miss Esther Priest returned Monday from a several weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Carrie Morgan, in Jewett City, Conn. Quite a number from here attended the Bolton Farmer's Mechanics' exhibition held in Bolton Wednesday, going by McCleery's auto truck.

Miss Dorothea O'Hara, of New York, a friend of Miss Silva, was a guest with her here this week. Kent T. Royal resumed his studies at the Harvard Medical school on Monday.

Those who attended the morning service at the Congregational church last Sunday morning were treated to some splendid music from the pipe organ, rendered by Charles Pollard, whose work as organist need no comment. Mr. Pollard's substitute for his sister, who was unable to attend, "The Sanctus," for a prelude, and "The Pilgrims' chorus," for the postlude, were rendered by Mr. Pollard with beautiful effect. In the afternoon, Miss Parker and Mr. West rendered a duet, Mr. Pollard, accompanist.

Mr. and Mrs. Bert Taylor were very pleasantly surprised on last Sunday by a call of Miss Virginia, of New Ipswich, N. H., coming by auto. The party consisted of Mr. and Mrs. Delbert Hudson, Mr. and Mrs. Dixon Wheeler and daughter. They stayed to dinner, returning in the afternoon.

While it may be safe, it is certainly very unwise to borrow autos for a joy ride without the consent of the owner. Thoughtlessness in such things might lead to serious consequences. The farm house on the Harry W. Crocker estate on Oak hill has been under the hand of painters and decorators preparatory to the coming of the new occupants.

Mrs. Margaret Hubachek returned on Wednesday from her visit to New York city with her sister, Mrs. Troett. The King's Daughters will hold a meeting on Thursday afternoon, October 5, at Mrs. Philip Dickson's. A full attendance is desired.

A four-reel Master picture, entitled "The end of the road," a fine photograph, is to be the leader at the motion picture show on Saturday evening. The show will be completed by "Cupid at Cohen's" and others of a nature that will be sure to please all who attend.

See Litterton item for grand concert by Frank Stewart Adams, organist. **Congregational Notes.** The morning service at the Congregational church will be in charge of the pastor, assisted by the young people's chorus choir. Bible school, twelve, C. E. prayer meeting at seven in the evening until further notice; subject, "The consecration of school life." Miss Harris, Miss Harris.

In connection with the morning services the pastor will give an object sermon to the children every Sunday hereafter. The order of service will be revised in such a way as to give an opportunity for the younger members of the congregation to assemble in the front seats during their special service. Parents are invited to bring or send their children to the morning services of the church with instructions also to remain to the bible school session when possible.

Beginning Wednesday, October 4, at 7:30 evening weekly prayer meetings will be resumed. All afternoon services will be discontinued, the usual services before communion being held in connection with these Wednesday evening meetings. Tercentenary Sunday will be observed on Sunday, October 15, both at the morning preaching service and in the bible school. At the former the sermon will consist of the reading of the tercentenary idea; in the latter, the combined rally day and tercentenary program will be used. Look for the posters at the church.

Obituary. In the recent death of Albert Atherton Pollard, Harvard has lost one of its oldest and most highly respected citizens. He was born in Harvard on December 20, 1831, on the place now owned by H. E. Vesile. On December 20, 1850, he married Mary Louisa Conant, daughter of Perry D. and Mary H. Conant, with whom they began their married life in the home where she was born, and where they lived until both passed on—she on May 27, and he on September 24. Both were members of the Congregational church of this town, active and earnest in all the lines of work connected with church life during all the past years until the feebleness of age prevented. The deceased was a deacon in the Congregational church for about twenty-six years, and the only one since the death of Deacon Bacon, but for the past few years had not been able to serve.

After a long period of sickness and much suffering Mr. Pollard passed away on Sunday, September 24, at five o'clock in the afternoon. The funeral took place at the church on Tuesday afternoon, September 26, at 2:30 o'clock. Rev. H. B. Mason and Rev. J. G. Miller having charge of the services. Miss Madeline Parker sang two selections, "Saved by grace" and "Beautiful Isle of somewhere." The

burial was in Bellevue cemetery in the family lot beside the one who only four months before was tenderly laid away, re-united after a beautiful life of fifty-four years together. Beautiful flowers covered the casket and made bright and attractive the room where the services were held, loving hands having done this last thing as a mark of tender respect to the one who had so long occupied so prominent and respected a position in their midst, the Woman's benevolent society, the King's Daughters and numerous friends uniting in this tender act of esteem.

Of this family Frank A. Pollard, Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Pollard are now left to share this double bereavement in the years reaching out into the future. The deceased was aged 84 years, 9 months, 18 days.

Clipping. The following is taken from the Clinton Courant of last week: Rev. George S. Dodge, of Boylston, writes as follows relative to the death of his sister, Mrs. Mary West, and the family's residence in Harvard and other family matters.

My father moved to Harvard from Waldoboro, Me., in the spring of 1854, (which was six years of age) and removed to Middlefield in the fall of 1866. He was a graduate of Bancroft seminary, 1842. Then he met my mother, who was Anna S. Godfrey, daughter of John S. Godfrey, Esq., Grandfather Godfrey lived near the seminary and the students were often guests at his Ohio street home. My sisters, Mary and Ella, were in that home two years, (I think 1862-63). They were attending the Bangor high school. It was in the home of these grandmothers that Mary met Levi L. Hawes, and Ella met Minot J. Savage. Minot J. Savage graduated from Bangor seminary in 1864, having been engaged to Ella for more than a year. He came to visit her (and parents) in the spring of 1864 and preached for father and no doubt was more than ever delighted with the young lady who had become his betrothed. How could a young man of his love of the beautiful be otherwise impressed amid the beauty of our loved Harvard. Mr. and Mrs. Savage were married at the Congregational meeting-house August 23, 1864, father officiating, assisted by (our uncle) Rev. Alpha Morton, whose wife was mother's sister, Charlotte.

The Savages took their wedding trip to California via the Isthmus of Panama, and began work in San Mateo and later at Grass Valley, Minn. My sister Mary after the close of the war married Capt. Levi L. Hawes. Our brother, John E., was pastor in Paxton for several years in the early eighties; then in Sterling, then in 1890-1901, pastor in Worcester; 1901 to November, 1906, in West Boylston; 1906-7 in the church at Mans. N. Y., and May 6, 1908, in home in Westboro, Mass. called to his heavenly home. His body was placed in the cemetery in Sterling by the side of the mother of his two sons.

New Books. The following books have been recently added to the library: Adams, C. F. An autobiography. \$2.25A12 Altheiler, J. A. The guest of the four. \$1.75A15 Amundsen, R. The south pole. \$1.75A16 Andrews, J. Stories Mother Nature told her children. \$1.75A17 Baldwin, J. An American book of golden deeds. \$2.25B19 Fifty famous stories retold. \$2.25B19 Barbour, R. H. Around the end. \$2.25B19 Barr, A. E. Three scores and ten. \$2.25B21 Baynes, E. H. Wild bird guests. \$2.25B23 Benson, A. C. Father Payne. \$1.75B24 Brewer, D. C. Rights and duties of women. \$1.75B25 Brooks, W. P. Agriculture. \$1.75B26 Chapman, F. M. Handbook of birds. \$2.25B28 Clarke, J. F. Ten great religions. \$1.75C51 Coe, F. E. Heroes of everyday life. \$1.75C52 Davis, R. H. Somewhere in France. \$1.75C53 Gould, A. W. Mother Nature's children. \$1.75C54 Grefner, T. The new onion culture. \$1.75C56 Howell, W. D. The daughter of the moon. \$1.75C57 Morse, J. E. The new rhubarb culture. \$1.75C58 University musical encyclopedia. \$3.00M97 Foster, E. H. Just David. \$1.75M98 Powell, E. The last frontier. \$1.75M99 Gentleman rovers. \$1.75M100 Richmond, G. S. Under the country. \$1.75M101 Rolland, R. Jean Christopher. \$1.75M102 Scudder, H. E. The book of legends. \$1.75M103 Smith, W. C. How to grow 100 bushels of corn per acre on your soil. \$1.75M104 Spearman, F. H. Nan of Musical Montserrat. \$1.75M105 Tompkins, W. The seed of the righteous. \$1.75M106 Tracy, G. H. Methods of attracting birds. \$1.75M107 Wiley, H. W. The lure of the land. \$1.75M108

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Isabelle Bernard Carter. Harvard, August 28, 1916.

HOLLIS, N. H. **News Items.** Tuesday evening, October 3, the Grange will hold its regular meeting. Hudson Grange is invited to neighbor with us and the meeting will be held in the town hall.

Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Bert Brown and family gave a corn roast in their grove. About twenty came and enjoyed the corn, peaches and marshmallows.

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Containing one hundred and twenty-two square rods, more or less, and being the same real estate conveyed to me by Wilbur Z. Sherwin by deed dated December 16, 1909, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds, book 3488, page 388. Subject to a mortgage to the Fidelity Cooperative Bank of Fitchburg and any liens for taxes or other public assessments.

Also another tract of land with all buildings thereon situated westerly from Main Street in the northerly part of Leominster in said County of Worcester, bounded and described as follows, viz: Beginning at the south-easterly corner thereof at a proposed street fifty (50) feet wide leading westerly from Main Street and at land of Nellie E. Flint, said corner being about 335.32 feet westerly from the westerly line of said Main Street; thence running N. 77° 15' W. by said proposed street sixty-three (63) feet; thence N. 12° 45' E. by land of Edwin H. Bixby, one hundred twenty-five (125) feet to land of Orlando W. Goodwin; thence S. 77° 15' E. by said Goodwin land sixty-three (63) feet to land of said Flint; thence S. 12° 15' W. by land of said Flint one hundred twenty-five (125) feet to the place of beginning. Being a part of the land conveyed to Edwin H. Bixby and myself by Will F. Russell by deed dated December 1, 1915, and recorded with Worcester Northern District Deeds, book 323, page 14.

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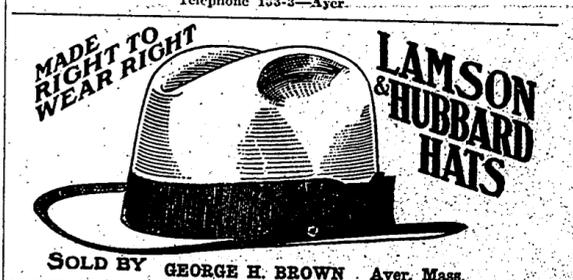
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