

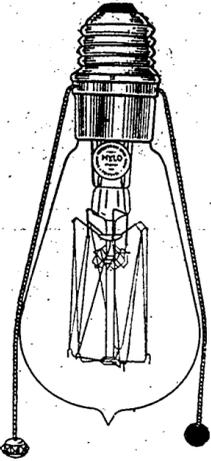
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FIVE TO EIGHT

### LITTLETON

News Items.  
The J. N. Murrays attended the Fitchburg fair Thursday.

The engagement of Miss Freda E. Bowler, formerly of Westley, to Kent R. Ewing, son of Mr. and Mrs. James Ewing, is announced.

A. W. Hodgman of Natick has been the guest of his business companion, L. A. Hager, this week.

J. H. D. Whitcomb has been in North Conway, N. H., shipping cattle he recently purchased.

The funeral of Prof. Conant, whose sudden death is announced in another part of this paper will be held from his late home, 25 Salisbury street, Worcester, at eleven o'clock on Saturday, October 14, and the remains will be brought by auto hearse to Westlaw, Littleton, where a short service will be held upon the arrival about two p. m.

All members of the Unitarian society whose surnames begin with the letter H are invited to meet at J. M. Hartwell's residence on Tuesday afternoon, October 17, at three o'clock to plan for the next church social.

Conrad Jones has enrolled as a pupil in the Mountain school in the Catskills, New York.

John Hager and family with guests called on Littleton friends this week on the way to and from his summer cottage in Egypt.

Mrs. Menton is keeping house for Den. J. W. Tisher during his daughter's absence from home.

A large and enthusiastic audience greeted Mrs. Foster Dole, who read before the Peppereil Grange one evening last week.

Herford Hartwell's dancing classes meet Saturday. Come and get in line now.

Mrs. L. A. Hager entertained the ladies' whist club at a delicious luncheon given Tuesday in her home.

The schools were closed Thursday as it was a legal holiday. The high school pupils and teachers went on a hike. Grade schools were closed Friday, giving the teachers an opportunity to visit school.

Miss Edith Fletcher spent the weekend in Providence, R. I.

Miss Barbara Priest gave a hallow-e'en party to a number of her young friends in the new garage last week in the evening.

Herford Hartwell was pleased with the good number in attendance at the opening of his dancing classes last Saturday.

There was a large company present at the annual harvest supper in the Congregational vestry last Wednesday evening. The dining hall was prettily decorated with autumn foliage, and the tables were most attractive. A superior supper of cold meats, mashed potato, chicken salad, rolls, all kinds of pies, fruit, and vegetables, and a splendid entertainment followed, consisting of two piano duets by Mrs. Christie and Mrs. Houghton, a splendid variety of readings by Mrs. Foster Dole, and accomplished elocutionist and vocal solos by Miss Henderson, of Lowell, who sings in the Trinitarian church of that city. Miss Henderson possesses a wonderfully sweet voice, well trained, and very promising. She was accompanied by Miss F. A. Sanderson.

Dr. J. N. Murray, J. H. Hardy and George Wether are new purchasers of Ford automobiles.

The War Relief association will meet next week Thursday afternoon at the town hall and it is hoped that a good number of the ladies will be present. The association decided upon this date at the last meeting last Thursday, as it would be inconvenient for many of the ladies to meet at the regular time.

Miss Margaret Conant took the trip to Western Massachusetts with her parents and their auto guests.

Miss Amelia Brown, of Hudson, has visited her cousins, the Joseph Dodge family, at Common, this week.

Messrs. Dodge and Wood are planning to build a garage in a convenient location at the Common in the near future.

Rev. Paul G. FAVOR was calling on one of his parishioners on Waldo street. Some time last week and upon taking leave discovered that his auto had left before him. At last accounts the stolen property had not been restored to the owner.

Rev. Elihu Loomis, of Centerville, one of our former Congregational ministers, passed another milestone in his nonagenarian journey Friday, October 13. He remains in possession of good health and his faculties except his hearing, which is somewhat impaired.

Osman Needham was motoring through Fingerville a few days ago when another auto came unaccountably close and jammed one of Mr. Needham's mudguards.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Kimball and Supt. F. H. Hill motored to Portland, Me., last week Friday and returned the following day, bringing Mrs. Hill with them.

Two more new houses are soon to be built by the syndicate at the Common.

Tanks, hogsheds and other equipment have been teamed from the C. & H. cidemill at the Common to a similar establishment in Chelmsford.

A water main near Conant & Houghton's webbing factory burst on Thursday morning, causing much excitement, plenty of work, and diverting travel of autos on the Great road to the N. B. Conant corner and down the hill past L. J. Stone's place, and oh, the dust in that street!

There was a large and good exhibit of poultry, especially of the R. I. Red breed, there being about 200 entries at the Brockton fair. Littleton was represented by Spring Farm Poultry Co., and the Pine Ridge poultry farm.

Spring farm won fourth prize in the old hen class. Pine Ridge farm won first prize and a color special on one of their four pullets entered. Pine Ridge poultry yards are owned by Judge Sanderson.

There will be a continuance of sale by public auction of household goods, etc., at the late C. E. Bigelow place, corner of Main street and Lowell road, Groton, on Saturday, October 14, commencing at 9 o'clock in the morning.

Mrs. E. A. Plummer of Fitchburg is a week-end guest of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stephens.

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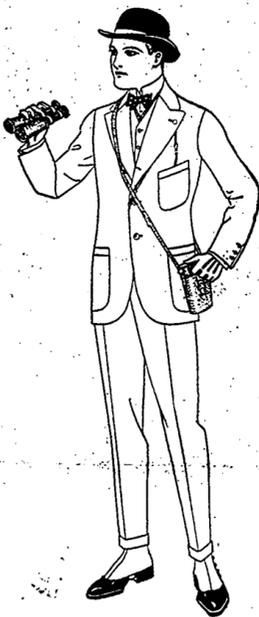
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WESTFORD.

Center. J. Herbert Fletcher, with his faithful hound dogs, Jack and Belle, has secured two more foxes in the paradise woods locality. This makes three foxes in one week, which all his friends agree is a pretty good record.

Threatened frosts have held off remarkably well on Westford hills and up to this date there has been no killing frosts to spoil the gardens.

J. W. Rafter is absent from town, visiting in Clifton Springs, N. Y.

Mrs. Lillian G. Lumbert, who has lived in this village for eleven years, moved this last week to Arlington, where she will make her home with her daughter, Mrs. Ivan Kenney.

Mrs. E. M. Denfeld, of Westford, was an over Sunday visitor in town this last week coming to visit her daughter, Miss Helen Denfeld, of the academy teaching staff.

Edward Fisher, on his recent trip to New Brunswick, was a lucky marksman and shot moose, and earlier in the season had shot other friends and neighbors some choice cuts of moose steaks.

The Henry M. Wrights of Quincy, took advantage of the fine weather and beautiful coloring to motor to Westford for over this last week-end.

Alec MacDougall has recently enjoyed a few days' visit with his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Allister MacDougall, at their home in Northampton. While there they were all in attendance at the Greenfield fair, where Mr. MacDougall, Jr., was among the judges on various exhibits.

MacDougall captured a number of prizes on canned vegetables, fruits, jellies, etc. Her proficiency in these lines had been gained through courses with Miss Laura Comstock and Miss Marie Sayles of the Agricultural college, and who were such capable lecturers and instructors at an extension school held here last winter. Mr. and Mrs. MacDougall have recently purchased a new home for themselves and very pleasantly situated between Northampton and Hadley.

Mr. and Mrs. Edson G. Boynton, of Medfield, were in town last Sunday, calling on old friends.

J. Henry Colburn was unfortunate enough while driving his Maxwell machine the first of the week to break the steering gear in such a way as to put his engine out of commission rather hopelessly.

The last of the meetings of the summer reading classes under the auspices of the literature and library extension committee of the Y. M. C. C. club met with Mrs. L. W. Wheeler on Thursday afternoon of last week. There was a good group present and Mrs. H. V. French, in charge, read a beautiful group of poems from Henry Van Dyke's "The blue flower," after which the members read in turn Dr. Van Dyke's "The blue flower."

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There was a large congregation to greet Mr. Wallace last Sunday at the Congregational church. The choir, under the direction of Miss May Atwood, made the musical part of the service most attractive.

There were soloists, Miss Charles D. Colburn and Miss Otis Dumm. The floral decorations of autumn flowers were most effective. Mr. Wallace's last sermon was not especially a farewell sermon, and the only indication that it was his last Sunday in this pulpit was at the close of the service he, with Mrs. Wallace, took their place at the front of the church and invited all present to pass around and shake hands with them. This everybody did making a very pleasant and informal good-bye between pastor and people.

At the evening service Mr. Wallace gave readings from Ian MacLaren's "Bonnie brier bush," interpreting the message and dialect as only one of real Scotch sentiment can do. Mr. Wallace goes this coming Sunday to occupy his new pulpit at Assonet.

The pulpit here will be occupied by Rev. Arthur H. Covell of the Boston Board of Pastoral Supply.

Death. Mrs. Margaret Fletcher, widow of the late Edward Fletcher of this town, passed away on Monday, October 2, at the Baptist hospital in Brookline, aged fifty-eight years. She had been ill there since February.

As far as is known to the writer she had no kindred here. She was of English birth and had to earn her own way, when very young. She secured work in Cambridge, and came to Westford with a party of young people, who were employed with her, to spend a short vacation here. She met Mr. Fletcher and in a few months became his wife, and they resided here until his death, some twenty years ago.

Thrown on her own resources again, Mrs. Fletcher went to the city, where she has been housekeeper for many years in one family. When her health failed she had no home but a hospital, and while her case was from the first seen by the physicians to be incurable, the hospital rules in this case were broken because of Mrs. Fletcher's most wonderful patience and her pleasing personality, and she has been there all these months for nurses and doctors anxious to do all in their power to relieve her and to be near her, for her sunny disposition and unflinching cheerfulness had a most happy influence on all about her. From the corridor, as they passed to and fro, anxious faces of doctors and nurses brightened up as they waved a greeting to Mrs. Fletcher on her cot, and her answering warm and glad smile followed them with comfort and cheer.

Beautiful flowers and many visitors during her illness bore witness to the remembrance of her friends in the world outside. Patients who came to her ward for treatment, and went, after recovery, to make room for others, were among the whole who admired her most and visited her to the last. For her sufferings were great, but her way of bearing pain appealed to those who witnessed it. She longed to go, but she was reconciled to go, and the end was peaceful and easy.

Funeral services were held on last week Thursday afternoon from the Broadway Baptist church, Cambridge. Her pastor, Rev. A. T. Kempton, after the regular service, spoke from his long personal acquaintance with Mrs. Fletcher as a member of his church. He had visited her all during her illness and spoke of her patience and her christian virtues. He voiced the words of the hospital superintendent, the doctors and nurses and many of her fellow patients there in paying tribute to the splendid example Mrs. Fletcher had shown them during her long illness. Alone, without kindred, homeless, yet sunny and cheery, never a mother, of children, yet she seemed

to mother all who came near her, old or young. Her pastor spoke of this trait especially as characteristic of her.

Beautiful flowers covered her casket and a large number of friends gathered at the service. The committal service was also read at the church. The interment was in Arlington cemetery at the close of a perfect October day.

O friend, thou art no less my friend today. Because I cannot hear thee, see thy face, And never can do so on this earth— That God's fair angels led, not mine to trace.

But God knows best, since He began so sweet A friendship here, this cannot be the end; I will be thankful for it till we meet. Be glad in it, for thou art still my friend. N. P. S.

Forgo Village. On last Sunday Rev. W. M. Ford announced that a harvest home service would be held on November 5, at which Rev. Endicott Peabody, of Groton School, would officiate.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kelley, Sr., Mrs. Jane Dare and son John have visited relatives in New York and New Jersey recently.

Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Cherry, of New York city, have returned to their home after a pleasant visit with Mr. Cherry's grandmother, Mrs. M. A. Lowther. His sister, Miss Mary H. Cherry, returned with them for an indefinite stay.

The many friends of Harry Quinn, formerly of Grantville, will be pained to hear of his dangerous illness at the Massachusetts General hospital, Boston. Mr. Quinn has been here for several months at his home in Somerville, where he has resided with his wife and two small sons.

Cameron school has re-opened this fall with a recorded attendance of 150 children. The rooms are well filled according to law not one more could be accommodated in the fourth and fifth grades.

George Orr, who broke his arm some time ago while at play on the school grounds, is well at the Lowell General hospital last week by Dr. C. A. Blaney. The X-rays showed the broken bones at the elbow were knitting together in a most wonderful way. The arm was again broken and the bones reset.

Mr. Northrup is very ill at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fennimore Morton.

Miss Emma Murray is the guest of her sister, Mrs. William Murray, of Bridgeport, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. O. A. Foster were entertained Saturday and Sunday at the home of friends in Reading. Mr. and Mrs. Foster made the trip by auto. Misses Emily and Bertha Collins spent the week-end with their relatives, Mr. and Mrs. James Dugdale, of Haverhill.

Mrs. Fennimore Morton announces the engagement of her nephew, Harry White, of Dorchester, to Miss Eleanor MacLeod, of Lowell. The wedding will take place this fall.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carmichael entertained Mrs. Michael Keefe, of Townsend Harbor, and daughter, Annie, of Cambridge, over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. William Weaver had as their guests on Sunday, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tyler, of Worcester.

The many friends of Miss Clara Chappel, niece of Mr. and Mrs. George Jackson, of Pleasant street, will be interested to learn of her marriage on Monday morning in Ayer, to Avery Smith, of Ayer. Mr. and Mrs. Smith are both well-known here and the best wishes of a host of friends go with them in their new life. They will make their home in Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. John Conroy and daughter, Annie, of Wadsworth and daughter, Miss Katherine McNiff, left here Friday evening for New York, where they sailed on the SS. Philadelphia for Keelichey, England, their former home. A party of friends, including John McNiff, John Mann and Joseph Thomas, accompanied them to bid them a bon voyage. Mr. and Mrs. James Kelley, Sr., Mrs. Jane Dare and son John, of this village, who have been visiting in New York, met them at the pier to bid farewell to their friends.

Mr. and Mrs. George Sanborn, Jr., of Fitchburg, have been recent visitors here.

Miss Ethel Jones and friend, Miss Elsie Chapman, both of Worcester, spent part of last week visiting relatives here and in Groton.

Grantville. Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Carmichael visited friends in Wilton, N. H., recently.

Miss Maggie Billings and Mrs. W. J. Healy made a brief visit on friends in Worcester last week.

Mrs. Walter Shattuck was taken to St. John's hospital in Lowell on last Saturday, where she was operated upon for appendicitis. The operation was a success in every way, and the patient is now getting along as well as can be expected.

At the morning service in the M. E. church last Sunday the pastor christened Kathleen June, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Weaver, and Morris Nelson, the infant son of Mr. and Mrs. John Doucette. At the same service Mrs. Archibald Saker presented herself for baptism.

The Ladies' Aid society are planning for the harvest that will be held next Wednesday.

SHIRLEY

News Items. On Monday evening the moving picture management present the famous photoplay, "The king's game," featuring the famous screen actress, Pearl White. The face comedies will be "Lady Killum" and "Luke and the bomb thrower."

Frederick J. Bliss died Monday morning at his home in Royalston from the effects of a shock from which he never regained consciousness. Mr. Bliss is well-known in this town, where he resided for many years past at intervals with his cousin, the late Mrs. Emma Cummings.

Miss Catherine Elizabeth McGinnis, of this town, and Albert P. Scanlon, of Leominster, were united in marriage last Saturday in Bellows Falls, Vt., the ceremony being performed by a justice of the peace. The bride is a native of Shirley, the daughter of the late Mr. and Mrs. Michael McGinnis, and is well and favorably known in Shirley. The groom is employed in a comb shop in Leominster. They will reside in Shirley at the home of the bride.

Fercy Gale, of Fitchburg, has accepted a position with the Shirley Electric Co.

Mrs. Mary Hitchcock, of Lunenburg, and John C. Ayers, of this town, were quietly married Monday afternoon at the home of the groom. The bride is seventy-two years old and the groom is seventy-eight. Rev. E. L. Halfacre of the Universalist church performed the ceremony. The groom is a veteran of the civil war and this makes his third marriage and the second for the bride. After a brief trip they will reside at the home of the groom in the Center.

A large audience greeted Rev. G. E. Woodman for his farewell sermon at the Congregational church on last Sunday morning, and at the close of the service the entire congregation passed the altar to extend greetings to Mr. and Mrs. Woodman. They remained standing together to accept the best wishes of the people for future prosperity and happiness in the new field of work. In the evening a union service, consisting of the members and attendants of the Baptist, Universalist and Congregational churches was held, which took the form of a farewell service in honor of Mr. Woodman, the townspeople wishing to show him their appreciation of his past work and to wish him good luck at his West Boylston church, where he has accepted a call to become pastor. Mr. Woodman and family left on Thursday for their new home in West Boylston.

The fire department was called out on Tuesday morning at eleven o'clock to extinguish a fire at the house occupied by Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Spear, Clark road, which is owned by George Holden. The fire was caused by sparks from the chimney, which set fire to the shingles on the roof of the house. The damage was caused mostly by water and will not exceed \$100. Mr. and Mrs. Spear, who have occupied the house during the summer, left on Tuesday afternoon for their home in Everett. The loss on the house is fully covered by insurance.

Confirmation services will be held at St. Anthony's church on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. Bishop Anderson, of Boston, will officiate.

John Seymour has purchased Mr. West's five-passenger automobile.

Fred. D. Weeks and family and Charles W. Weeks and family spent last Sunday and Monday motoring together through the Berkshires and the Mohawk Trail.

Rev. Charles F. Wheeden, D. D., of Rochester, will officiate at the Congregational church on Sunday morning at 10.45.

Mr. and Mrs. George Morse, of Lawrence, is spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles McDevitt.

Miss Clara Herson has returned from a visit with relatives in North Adams.

Mrs. Arthur Herson and son Ralph, of Newmarket, N. H., were guests this week of relatives and friends in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Herman McVoy, of Nashua, N. H., are spending a few days at the home of his brother, H. B. McVoy, of this town.

A horse owned by Frank Park fell through the floor of his stable on the corner of Clayton Wells' Fredonian street, sometime during Sunday night which resulted in killing the horse. Mr. Wells hired the horse from Mr. Park for some extra work he was doing a few days before the accident. The animal was valued at about \$250. Weak and decayed flooring caused the trouble.

Harry Collier was one of the party in the 300 Royal Rooters who left for Brooklyn Monday evening to witness the World's Series baseball games.

Henry and Miss Alice Martin, of Fitchburg, were visitors in town last Sunday.

Miss Mary A. Chaisson, of this town, and Frank Arsenault, of Leominster, were united in marriage Monday morning at St. Anthony's church at seven o'clock. The bride was officiating. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Lucy Chaisson, and Edward Arsenault, of Leominster, brother of the groom, was best man. The bride was given in white silk poplin and carried a bouquet of tea roses. At the close of the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride, Leominster road, which was followed by a wedding breakfast. Relatives and friends were present from far and near. The bridal couple, who are exceedingly popular, were the recipients of many beautiful presents. The bride is the oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John J. Chaisson. The groom is well known in Leominster, both having a large circle of friends. The groom is employed at comb making. After a brief honeymoon the newly-weds will take up their residence in Leominster.

Center. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Clark, of Hinsdale, N. H., spent the week-end at the home of Mrs. Clark's parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. B. Graves.

Miss Carrie Bradford has been spending a few days with friends in Boylston.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Edward Adams expect soon to leave their home on Center road and go to Boston for the winter, where Mr. Adams is employed.

Mrs. Henry Farrar and two youngest children, of the North, have moved to Leominster for the winter. Mr. Farrar and sons, John and Amos, who are building a house in Ayer, are still occupying their cottage at the North.

At the meeting of the Grange last week no business of importance was transacted, and the lecturer's hour was omitted. At the next meeting, Tuesday evening, October 17, the third and fourth degrees will be worked.

The bridge across the Mulpus, at the North, is still in process of construction, but it is expected that it will soon be completed.

John W. Farrar, of Hazen road, has a position in the market of Harlow & Parsons, Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton and family closed their summer home on Center road this week and returned to Brookline for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Norman R. Graves observed the twenty-fifth anniversary of their wedding last Saturday, nineteen guests being present at dinner. Those present were: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Eldredge and family of Concord, Ingersoll and family of Concord, Mr. and Mrs. James McGee and family of South Acton, Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Graves and family of Boxboro, Mr. and Mrs. Geo. Taylor of Lunenburg, Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Clark of Hinsdale, N. H., Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Adams and Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams of Shirley, Mr. Foote of Concord, an uncle of Mr. Graves, who was present, is eighty-five years of age.

G. L. Snow of Newton was in town last Saturday and the repair work on his new home has been begun. It is understood that the reason Mr. Snow did not move during the summer as was expected, was due to some

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NOTICE is hereby given that the annual Meeting of the Stockholders of The New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company will be held in Harmonie Hall, No. 9 Elm Street, in the City of New Haven, Connecticut, on Wednesday, the 25th day of October, 1916, at 12.00 o'clock noon, for the following purposes:

- To consider and take appropriate action upon the Annual Statement and all acts described therein or reported at said meeting.
- To authorize an issue of not to exceed \$700,000 face value seven-year five per cent. gold debentures containing an agreement that if any mortgage is hereafter placed upon the property of this corporation these debentures will be equally secured thereby with any other indebtedness of the corporation, and also an agreement to call, by lot, and pay \$100,000 of these debentures each year until all are paid, the proceeds from the sale of said debentures to be used for the construction of a new terminal passenger station and appurtenances in the City of New Haven, Connecticut.
- To elect a Board of Directors for the ensuing year.
- To transact any other business which may properly come before said meeting.

For the purpose of this meeting the transfer books of the Company will be closed from October 11, 1916, to October 25th, 1916, both days inclusive.

By order of the Board of Directors,  
ARTHUR E. CLARK, Secretary.

difficulty in conveying the property. Mr. Snow not getting a clear title to the estate until quite recently.

The pig farm at the home of Dr. O'Donnell at Woodsville is understood to be in operation with an initial drove of 250 pigs.

Mrs. K. Nelligan of Winthrop has rented the bungalow of Mrs. Lynch on the Center road.

Alliance. The meeting held at the home of Mrs. Henry F. Grout on Thursday of last week was largely attended and much enjoyed. A number of interesting items of religious intelligence

were read by members and a report of the meeting held in Clinton by the officers of all the hospital boards included in the circle of the Clinton hospital was given by Mrs. Georgia H. Farnsworth. Many important and interesting facts were emphasized by Mrs. Farnsworth, and the Alliance voted to contribute toward the supplies that are to be collected in town for the hospital. Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman was chosen delegate to the N. E. Associate Alliance meeting to be held at All Souls' church in Roxbury on Thursday, October 19.

Mrs. Georgia H. Farnsworth invited the Alliance to meet at her home at the North on Thursday, October 19, for

the next regular meeting. Rev. E. L. Halfacre will give an address at this meeting.

Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman, Mrs. Warren Wilson, Miss Agnes M. Holden, Mrs. Luther Holden and Mrs. L. J. Edgar attended the neighborhood Alliance meeting in Littleton on last week Friday.

LITTLETON

News Items. The Congregational church is undergoing a thorough cleaning. The new janitor appointed recently is Ernest Lund.

The Philathea class has purchased a new rug for the class-room which is being transformed into a reception room or parlor. Several other furnishings have been placed in this room and the next addition will be a mirror. The visiting committee has been authorized to buy lily bulbs for distribution among the sick this winter.

Mrs. Stephens visited Monday with a friend in Lowell recently returned from California, whom she had not seen for thirty years.

Mr. and Mrs. E. F. Jacobs are taking their annual vacation. They left home last week Friday and have visited briefly with friends in Fitchburg, Leominster and Somerville.

HARVARD

News Items. The pastor will be in charge of the Congregational church Sunday. The sermon will be based on the thirtieth...

On Monday evening, October 16, the Grange will present the three-act comedy, "All on account of Polly," with a popular cast. This play is to be given for the benefit of the fruit and poultry show...

The annual fruit and poultry show held under the auspices of the Grange is to be opened on Thursday afternoon, October 19, at two o'clock. Hand bills giving full particulars of this exhibit have been given out to all families of the town...

William Kerley and Ralph Emerson started on Tuesday morning with Mr. Kerley's runabout for a trip to Montreal, Canada. They intend to be gone a week or more, going by the way of Vermont and returning by way of New York State, taking in Lake George and other points of interest.

Miss Dorothy E. West spent the week-end and Sunday with her parents here, returning on Sunday afternoon to her school work in Framingham.

Mr. and Mrs. John B. Harlow enjoyed a visit from their daughter, Miss Nancy Harlow, over Sunday and Monday. Miss Harlow is attending school at Cushing academy, Ashburnham.

On last Saturday Miss Sears entertained a luncheon party of twenty-four at the Pergolas. Among the guests were Mrs. Browning, daughter-in-law of Robert and Elizabeth Barrett Browning, the famous English poet. Later, the party visited "Fruitlands."

Miss Nancy Harlow and Miss Dorothy West entered bread in the boys' and girls' prize contest held in Springfield this week under the auspices of the Massachusetts Agricultural society.

Master Earl McGray gave a birthday party on last week Friday to a party of his boy friends in his home on the Still River road. Mrs. McGray served refreshments to the young people.

At the Congregational church last Sunday Miss Smart sang a well-chosen soprano solo, "The Lord is my shepherd," in a very pleasing manner. Miss Smart has a particularly sweet voice.

Mr. and Mrs. Gustaf B. Schultz entertained a party of about thirty at their home on Tuesday evening, October 10, the event being the tenth anniversary of their marriage. Mr. and Mrs. Schultz received their guests in a very delightful and informal manner, after which all enjoyed a social evening. During the evening a varied program of music and entertainment was carried out; in the latter part vocal selections by H. A. Thayer, Miss Josephine N. Baker, Oscar Schultz, A. T. West and Miss piano selections by Miss Edith Dudley and Frank P. Abbott. Mr. Abbott entertaining the party with German folk songs. Music on the Victrola and chorus singing followed by refreshments of cake, ice cream and orange punch helped to pass a very pleasant evening. Special guests were Mr. and Mrs. Donald R. Hill, who are here on their honeymoon on the farm recently purchased by them from C. E. Schnare.

Amelia Gardner, now playing at the Hollis street theatre, but in real life, Mrs. Harry West, of New York city, spent Sunday with her friend, Miss Ruth Whitney.

On last Saturday John H. Cleaves attended a reunion of the 22nd regiment Massachusetts Volunteers at the Quincy House, Boston. The attendance was small, but the veterans enjoyed a few hours of reminiscence from the days of '61-'65.

While picking apples at the farm of P. H. Babcock, where he is employed, Antino Carlo fell from a twenty-five-foot ladder, breaking the fifth vertebrae of the spinal column. He was taken to a hospital in Pittsburgh, where a specialist from Boston gave small hope of his recovery. Antino is married and has two children living in the farm house on the Babcock estate.

On next Tuesday evening Harvard Grange will entertain Groton and Berlin Granges at their annual neighbors' night. Entertainment by the visitors.

Miss Mary D. Bull, of Lowell, is visiting with Mrs. H. Emma Whitney at her home here.

A four-reel feature, "Painted soul," featuring Bessie Bariscale, will be the leader at the motion picture show this Saturday evening. "Uncle Sam's Navy," two reels, and a one-reel comedy completes the bill. On November 1 the Woman's club will give the magnificent screen production of George Elliot's famous novel, "Silas Marner."

At the next meeting of the Woman's club, to be held in the upper town hall on Monday afternoon, October 16, at 2.30 o'clock, Mrs. Barrett Wendell, president of the Special Aid Society for American Preparedness, will give an address on "Permanent preparedness." As Mrs. Wendell is anxious to reach a large number of people, it is hoped that the members will bring as many guests as possible.

Friday afternoon, February 2—Henry Turner, Bully, Tied Society, Ideal in Education. This lecture will be given at Barnfield school at 1.45 o'clock. All are invited.

Wednesday, February 21—Arthur Kachel, Reading, The Music Master. Seven members of the Nashaway Camp-fire received their fire-makers' bracelets, and two other woodworkers rings at a ceremonial meeting held at the home of the guardian on October 6. The program for the afternoon was arranged by Beryl Bigelow and Mary Benedict. It consisted of seven musical selections and the required honors for the rank of fire-maker. At the close of the meeting Miss Hubachek resigned from the guardianship and was made honorary guardian of the Nashaways, because she finds she has no time nor the strength to keep up camp-fire work this winter. Later, Beryl Bigelow asked to join the camp-fire, because as yet no one has definitely taken charge of the friends are in the other group. After the meeting all went to the Woman's club tea-room for refreshments.

LITTLETON

News Items. The Unitarian young people will hold a rally in their vestry Sunday evening at seven o'clock, the neighboring unions of Ayer, Groton, Peppereil, Chelmsford, Westford, and Stow being also invited to join with them. Carl E. Wetherell, of Boston, representing the National society, will give the address. Following the reports from the neighboring unions a social hour with light refreshments will be enjoyed.

Prof. Levi L. Conant, of Worcester Polytechnic institute faculty, whose tragic death was reported Wednesday, was a native of Littleton and a brother of Mrs. Amelia Wakefield. At the time of his death he was at the head of the department of mathematics and was until short while ago a member of the State Board of Education. He was the author of a number of books of mathematics and an honored member of many learned mathematical societies in this country and abroad. He was as gentle and kindly as he was wise and scholarly, and his friends will cherish a gracious memory.

The Alliance meeting of last week in the Unitarian vestry proved an enjoyable affair with a good attendance present from the other ladies' societies in this town and from neighboring Alliances. The new president of the Alliance, Mrs. W. C. Brown, graciously welcomed the visitors and presented the program of reciprocity, which had been prepared. A paper on Alliance work, written by Mrs. Frost, of the Westford society, was read by Mrs. Hilliard, of Groton Alliance, and Mrs. Smith, of Groton. Read a very interesting paper, partly reminiscent, that set forth the Unitarian point of view, with stories of the way in which they are sometimes regarded. Mrs. Barker, of Ayer, told of the work of the Tuckerman school that trains parish workers and Sunday school assistants. Music was delightfully furnished by Mesdames Houghton and Hartwell, who sang a portion of the cantata of "Ruth." At the close of the meeting dainty refreshments were served by the committee in charge of Mrs. Whitcomb and a social hour was held.

Eighteen people from the local society attended the Unitarian conference at Tyngsboro on Wednesday and reported an excellent meeting with strong addresses.

Littleton friends have received announcement from Mr. and Mrs. George Cooley, of Aurora, Ill., of a little daughter, Grace Hopkins, born last week. Mrs. Lucy Wright Cooley, a former Littleton woman, is one of the happy grandparents.

Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Conant, Miss Alice Wright and Miss Elizabeth Thatcher motored to Shelburne Falls Thursday. They were guests of Rev. and Mrs. H. L. Packard, who later joined the automobile party on a trip over the Mohawk Trail.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Reed and infant son and Mr. and Mrs. Hiram Sauler recently motored to the White Mountain, where they visited relatives, making a fine trip and a pleasant vacation for all in the party.

E. C. Jones has placed his son Konrad in a New York school.

Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hartwell motored to Hillsboro, N. H., for the weekend.

Miss Gertrude Griffiths and brother, Lester Griffiths, were at home recently.

The board of registrars will be in the registrars' room on October 21 from 7 to 9 o'clock. The lecture begins its 57th consecutive season on Tuesday evening with a program that should fill the hall on the opening night. The Eberle Musical club which gives the concert part of the program is composed of Miss Agnes Edwards, soprano, Miss Kate Thomas, violinist, Miss Marion Moorhouse, cellist, Mrs. Marion Hyde, pianist, with Arthur Fischer, impersonator and reader of plays. The combination is a happy one assuring the concert attendants a well rounded concert of high quality. The lecture entertainments commence at 7.45.

Rev. H. L. Caulkins united in marriage Mrs. Susan Farnsworth and William Davies of Ayer at the Baptist parsonage last Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Josiah Perkins Thacher have issued invitations to the marriage of their daughter Ruth W. and Henry L. Brown of Ayer at the Congregational church in Littleton Tuesday evening, October 24.

Rev. William Channing Brown, representing the Unitarian association, left home last week Friday for the South and will not return until the middle of December.

L. W. C.

The opening meeting of the Woman's club was held on Monday afternoon. The calendars in the club colors, present as a distinctive feature several programs in charge of the different committees, and an unusually small number of speakers. A luncheon is slated for the annual business meeting. In other particulars there is little out of the ordinary.

The meeting opened with prayer by Mrs. Maude K. Caulkins. Mrs. Martha Jones sang, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Marlon Christie. Mrs. Dorothy Hardy, recording secretary, read reports of previous meetings. The president, Mrs. Margaret Parker, in a very happy address, suggested that love, loyalty, obligation, verity and enthusiasm be ruling motives in club activities this year. The names of three candidates for admission were proposed. Notice was given of the autumn meeting of the State Federation in Franklin and the presidents' conference in Dorchester.

Two piano duets were played by Mrs. Houghton and Mrs. Christie, Brahms' Hungarian dance and Grieg's Norwegian dance.

Miss Marie Sayles, of the Amherst Agricultural college extension school, spoke on school lunches, giving many valuable hints and suggestions, and branching out on kindred subjects, such as proper clothing, fresh air, baths, ventilation, etc. She recommended valuable books on the subject discussed. "How to Live by Fisher & Flek; "Proper weight of children," and "Food for school lunches," by Mrs. Rose. She reported remarkable results from serving lunches at school. The next meeting will be held on October 23 and will be observed as president's day.

LUNENBURG

News Items. The first meeting of the Woman's club for this year after its summer vacation was held at Lakeside, at the home of Mrs. Fred C. Cross, Friday, October 6. It was attended by forty members. Mrs. Norman G. Bigelow presiding. A sketch of the authoress of the story "The three things," was given by Mrs. Cross, and chapters of the story were read by Miss Ethel E. Emerson, interspersed by music from the Victor records of Mrs. Cross. The work for the members was the knitting of useful articles for the French war hospitals. After the reading, refreshments were served. The next meeting will be in the Methodist chapel, October 20, when Mrs. Caroline Barney will be the speaker; subject "Child study."

There was a fine showing of poultry of all kinds at a social in the town hall on Wednesday, October 4, and very fine birds of many varieties were exhibited, their owners receiving many orders. The plucking contest in the afternoon interested a large number of spectators. Four birds were killed and plucked by each exactly twenty-three contestants consuming well done considering that each one of the four birds were moulting and of course covered with pin feathers.

Miss May V. Estabrook has a class in "Nature study" in the different schools in town; 1 1/2 hours each morning, two mornings in the Center school, and one each in the districts.

Miss Sarah Goring, of Leominster, visited friends in town on Monday and Tuesday.

Carl E. Brown and son Earl returned on Monday morning from their auto trip to Montreal and other Canadian towns.

Loren H. Brown shot a fox last Sunday morning on his second visit to Mr. Brown's chicken coop. As one chicken was missing on Saturday morning Mr. Brown lay in wait for the thief and got him.

Married, at their home on Highland street, Monday evening, by Rev. Alfred Noon, Charles S. Gilchrist and Mrs. Emma Damon. Many friends wish them much happiness as they continue their journey of life together. The military band, of which Mr. Gilchrist is a member, called later in the evening and gave them a serenade. They were invited in and treated with refreshments.

The number of inmates at the skunk farm has lately been increased by seven live skunks caught by the committee in charge of Mrs. Whitcomb and a social hour was held.

W. C. T. U.

The W. C. T. U. held an all-day meeting in the chapel of the Methodist church on Thursday, October 5. The work before the society that day was the making of comfort bags for the sailors and preparing material for filling them. Dinner was served at twelve o'clock which was much enjoyed by all present. Mrs. C. G. Webber and Mrs. Nellie Hutchinson, of Leominster, were the afternoon speakers. Mrs. Webber is county vice president-at-large, and she gave a talk to make her official visit on that day and address the organization at work. Her address was very helpful, enthusiastic and inspiring. Mrs. Hutchinson, who accompanied her, also gave a talk upon the work in general, and suggestions for department workers. Several superintendents gave reports of work in the department. Mrs. Jennie M. Noon was appointed delegate to the state convention in Taunton, and Mrs. W. R. Proctor, alternate. It was voted to have a special meeting some time in the near future for the Willard Y Settlement, the date to be announced later.

Death.

On last week Wednesday the unwelcome news of the death of Prof. Foster E. L. Beal was received in town with sincere and deep regret by his many friends and former schoolmates. Mr. Beal was adopted by his uncle, Nathaniel C. Day, of this town, when quite a small boy. At that time Mr. Day owned and lived upon the farm since owned by the late O. P. Brown. He attended the public schools here, and at suitable age was fitted to enter the Institute of Technology by the veteran educator, the late Charles A. Goodrich. Graduating in the year 1875, several years in teaching and afterwards was head of a department in the State Agricultural college at Ames, Iowa, for a number of years. Thirty years ago he came back to Lunenburg and bought the farm which he has since owned. Twenty-four years ago he accepted the position of head of the biological department of the department of agriculture in Washington. He always retained his love for the old home in Lunenburg and visited here every year. For some time he has had trouble with a weak heart, but when he was here last summer he seemed in good health. His death occurred on October 1, a stroke of apoplexy killing him instantly. His funeral was held at his home in Berlin, Md., Wednesday, October 4. He is survived by his widow, Mrs. Beal, and a son, Kenneth, and his family, who lived with him.

The first woollen cloth to be manufactured in England was made in 1330.

The tuatara, or tuatera, is an almost extinct lizardlike reptile (Sphenodon punctatus) now found only on certain rocky islets in the Bay of Plenty, Northern New Zealand. It is of great scientific interest for the reason that it is the only surviving representative of the order of prosauropsids or primitive reptiles, and is therefore a sort of "living fossil." It was formerly hunted for food, but is now protected by law in New Zealand.

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Saturday, October 14, 1916.

GROTON

News Items. The fire on last week Friday afternoon which called out the fire department was at Mrs. P. Sullivan's house on Main street, on the road towards the paper mill. The fire caught around the chimney and the inside of the ell part was practically burnt out.

The noted violinist, Fritz Kreisler, and wife, were at Groton Inn Sunday, spending the night there. Accompanying him was Reinhold Warrick, the famous Russian baritone.

Mrs. Allen E. Woods left home on Tuesday to attend the funeral on Wednesday of her aunt, Miss Green, who was eighty-six years old.

There were 185 diners at Groton Inn last Sunday. Among the number was Governor McCall. Ball players from Brooklyn, N. Y., playing in the World's Series at Boston, also stopped at the inn.

Eugene Dilbert, agent for the Mexican Petroleum Corporation, was up Sunday from Portland, Me., to see his folks here. He was accompanied by his wife, making the trip by auto.

Mrs. Henry Fitzgerald has been staying for the past two weeks, since she returned from the hospital, with her sister, Mrs. William McMahon, of Station avenue. Mrs. Fitzgerald went to Groton from West street on Monday, and is now feeling nicely.

Lewis G. Woods, baggagemaster, is enjoying a vacation. He left on Monday, going with his wife to Niagara Falls, and will also stop at Springfield and elsewhere.

Louis H. Sheedy, the Groton manager of Cowee's grain business here, is soon going to locate the business in the grain store building on Main street, moving in within a week or so.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lawrence (Margery Prescott) and their infant daughter are to remain with Mrs. James Lawrence at the Groton home-stead until Thanksgiving before opening the Mr. Vernon street house in Boston, where they will again be with Mrs. Lawrence for the winter.

On Sunday morning at the Baptist church the pastor will speak on "The subject of prayer." The service at seven o'clock; subject, "The tragedy of a napkin." Prayer meeting Wednesday evening at seven o'clock. On Sunday, October 22, the pastor will exchange pulpits with Rev. C. W. Barrows of the First Baptist church of Bolton.

Mr. Peckham will supply the pulpit of the Bolton church during October, November and December of 1916 and will enjoy meeting the people of the Bolton church.

The Massachusetts Baptist anniversary will be held at the First Baptist church in Lawrence on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday, October 24-26.

The Boy Scouts held their regular meeting last Saturday evening with a good attendance. Prescott, second scout and patrol leader, who left last week for Colorado Springs, was made an honorary member of the troop.

Roy Bennett was appointed by the scoutmaster as leader and was presented with the ensign of that office. The rank of each scout is now being kept by the scoutmaster and the records of each meeting, and the scouts appointed to their places according to their standing in the troop.

On Wednesday afternoon, at the high school, exercises suitable for Columbus day were given by the senior class. A short play concerning the discovery of the new world was written by Ruth Bixby and dramatized by the members of the class.

Ruth Bixby, Freeman, Lance Corp, Ebert and Priv. Torrey, who were notified at 7.15 that it was desired to have a lunch served at the conclusion of the drill, and who in a little over an hour obtained all the necessary materials, dishes, etc., (although the stores were all closed) got them to the top of Park hill, built fires, made sandwiches, and served an appetizing meal promptly at the time set.

History of Groton Band. Jerome Shattuck, brother of Norman, played for about ten years with the band. Gilman Barrows got him interested and he took up tenor, playing the B-bass part all the time he was in the band. He says he had a good time going around with the band and the recollections are pleasant. He was forced to give up playing because of other duties.

Luce, better known by the peculiar cognomen of "Petticoat" Luce, played tenor in 1881. He had three schools, bought the so-called Molye place on Martin's Pond road at the auction last Saturday. This purchase includes the buildings and forty acres of land.

There will be a continuance of sale by public auction of household goods, etc., at the late C. E. Bigelow place, corner of Main street and Lowell road, Groton, on Saturday, October 14, commencing at 9 o'clock in the morning.

Seven delegates from the Ideal society were present at the meeting last Sunday evening, when the C. E. society of the society at Stow, Concord Junction and Littleton. The members were out in large numbers and it was an interesting and enthusiastic meeting.

Men from Boston were in town last week, placing the loads of furniture in Mr. Danielson's house, which was formerly the Joy place.

A question for the Board of Trade... apple packers and an apple packing house.

Mr. and Mrs. Montgomery, of Worcester, were guests over Columbus day at the home of her father, G. H. McKee.

Some from town attended the World's Series games in Boston. William A. Parkhurst fell while picking apples last Saturday. It was thought at first that his back was injured by the fall.

Miss Virginia Woods and Miss Genevieve Harrington were home from Fitchburg Normal for the holiday.

The neighborhood club held the first meeting of the season Wednesday afternoon at the home of the president, Mrs. Mabel Abbott. There were fifteen members and one guest present.

Arthur H. Mason spent Columbus day at home. His sister, Miss Gladys Mason, accompanied by her friend, Miss Virginia Harrington, also came home for the holiday.

It was found at the Burbank hospital that Mrs. Gilman Shattuck's hip was broken in her fall last week. She was brought home from the hospital Wednesday night.

William Gay was home from his business in Manchester, N. H., for Columbus day.

Harry L. Bruce and friend spent the holiday at his parents' home. Miss Corinne Catherine Fallon and James Joseph Fallon, united in marriage at the Catholic church on Thursday morning.

C. A. Finnegan celebrating the nuptial mass. The bride was gown-woman, carried a bouquet of dahlias. The groom and bride were attended by friends.

Harvard Woman's club exchange closes harvest week, October 16-21, for the season. Home-made candy at Marion Farnsworth's, Washington street, Ayer.

Groton Military Training School. The Rifle club shot its first match on Saturday last against the Littleton Rifle club, winning by the score of 270 to 264.

The individual scores of both teams were: Groton—Sergeant Shaw, 49, priv. Peterson, 46, priv. Martin, 45, Capt. Powers, 44, Lieut. Branigan, 43, Sergeant Lamb, 43, 270 total; Littleton—Remick, 47, Hume, 46, Priest, 45, Robbins, 44, Crane, 43, Ames, 39, 264 total.

The drill of the provisional company on Wednesday evening consisted of a condensed exercise based on the normal attack. A detail of four men under Sergeant Torrey occupied a position on Park's hill, indicating the ends of the company by small bonfires.

Three patrols, under Corps Wharton, Sabine and Perrin, were first sent out to locate the fires, the exact position of which was unknown.

Edward Fuller, son of A. H. Fuller, played snare drum for a couple of years. As he well knows, he was a very short man. One St. Patrick's day in Lowell, says James Bywater, some boys shouted, "Look at the little old man with the drum."

George Blood relates a rather amusing little incident in which he was a participant. The band was on its way to play an engagement in Boxborough, being conveyed by Nutting's barge as usual.

Miss Evadne Harrington spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Ayer. Lee Bixby arrived home on Thursday last week. Having purchased most of the apples on his father's place, he gathered them and sent to a Boston purchaser. This business transaction completed, he left on Tuesday.

It is understood that Mrs. McCherle, having sold her place, will leave with her family within a few days. Miss Helen McCherle will resume her duties in the school-room.

Both Mrs. McCherle and her daughter will be very pleasantly remembered by many West Groton friends. The Misses Jane and Grace Bixby have been recent visitors at their home here, the former remaining a week, the latter, two days only.

Mrs. Howard Spaulding, who has visited her husband's relatives here, left Boston for Cleveland, Ohio, for Elizabeth Childs, of Fitchburg, has visited her various relatives here this week.

Miss Lillian Clark, of Pepperell, was a recent guest at the Doublet. Clarence Thompson, of Sheldon, Vt., is expected to return to West Groton on October 15, and will work with his father at the Thompson mill.

Miss Alice Dawnborn and Mrs. Warren Seem spent a week in the Berkshire Hills, visiting friends in Mt. Tom and North Hampton.

About four o'clock last Sunday afternoon the house in North Shirley, known as the Hale place, was burned to the ground. It was occupied by a Polish family and the fire was an unfortunate aftermath of a christening service, the child being but a few weeks old. A child about two years old died in convulsions from acute indigestion shortly after the second child's birth.

Mrs. McCormack has been quite seriously ill, but is now convalescent. Mrs. Tracey, a former resident here, has leased her house in North Shirley for year to her son, Dr. A. C. Tracey, former West Groton resident, but now living in Shirley. Mrs. Tracey will spend the winter with her son Fred in Nashua, N. H.

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George H. Blood, who has held many offices in the band and always had a great interest in its welfare, suggested the writing of this history, when he put into our hands the original record book of the 1886 band. Except for the season of 1914, Mr. Blood has been connected with the band forty-seven years, although as a player he must yield the laurels for length of service to his brother George, because the latter did not start in as drum carrier.

George H. Blood, who was mentioned at length at another place in this chronicle, deserves a word more here. He is one of the five charter members of the 1881 band who is still living. The five are Amos Ames, U. H. Barrows, Frank Blood, Norman Thompson and George Blood. Mr. Blood has played practically all the band instruments except piccolo and tuba.

Besides playing with the Groton band he has also played with the Leominster bands and his interest is as keen today as it was forty-seven years ago. In 1886 Mr. Blood accepted the position of leader and held it creditably for many years. He has always been an exceptionally faithful attendant at rehearsals. We hope to have him with us for many years to come.

William A. Wood spent Columbus day at home. His sister, Miss Gladys Mason, accompanied by her friend, Miss Virginia Harrington, also came home for the holiday.

It was found at the Burbank hospital that Mrs. Gilman Shattuck's hip was broken in her fall last week. She was brought home from the hospital Wednesday night.

William Gay was home from his business in Manchester, N. H., for Columbus day.

Harry L. Bruce and friend spent the holiday at his parents' home. Miss Corinne Catherine Fallon and James Joseph Fallon, united in marriage at the Catholic church on Thursday morning.

C. A. Finnegan celebrating the nuptial mass. The bride was gown-woman, carried a bouquet of dahlias. The groom and bride were attended by friends.

Harvard Woman's club exchange closes harvest week, October 16-21, for the season. Home-made candy at Marion Farnsworth's, Washington street, Ayer.

Groton Military Training School. The Rifle club shot its first match on Saturday last against the Littleton Rifle club, winning by the score of 270 to 264.

The individual scores of both teams were: Groton—Sergeant Shaw, 49, priv. Peterson, 46, priv. Martin, 45, Capt. Powers, 44, Lieut. Branigan, 43, Sergeant Lamb, 43, 270 total; Littleton—Remick, 47, Hume, 46, Priest, 45, Robbins, 44, Crane, 43, Ames, 39, 264 total.

The drill of the provisional company on Wednesday evening consisted of a condensed exercise based on the normal attack. A detail of four men under Sergeant Torrey occupied a position on Park's hill, indicating the ends of the company by small bonfires.

Three patrols, under Corps Wharton, Sabine and Perrin, were first sent out to locate the fires, the exact position of which was unknown.

Edward Fuller, son of A. H. Fuller, played snare drum for a couple of years. As he well knows, he was a very short man. One St. Patrick's day in Lowell, says James Bywater, some boys shouted, "Look at the little old man with the drum."

George Blood relates a rather amusing little incident in which he was a participant. The band was on its way to play an engagement in Boxborough, being conveyed by Nutting's barge as usual.

Miss Evadne Harrington spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Ayer. Lee Bixby arrived home on Thursday last week. Having purchased most of the apples on his father's place, he gathered them and sent to a Boston purchaser. This business transaction completed, he left on Tuesday.

It is understood that Mrs. McCherle, having sold her place, will leave with her family within a few days. Miss Helen McCherle will resume her duties in the school-room.

Both Mrs. McCherle and her daughter will be very pleasantly remembered by many West Groton friends. The Misses Jane and Grace Bixby have been recent visitors at their home here, the former remaining a week, the latter, two days only.

Mrs. Howard Spaulding, who has visited her husband's relatives here, left Boston for Cleveland, Ohio, for Elizabeth Childs, of Fitchburg, has visited her various relatives here this week.

Miss Lillian Clark, of Pepperell, was a recent guest at the Doublet. Clarence Thompson, of Sheldon, Vt., is expected to return to West Groton on October 15, and will work with his father at the Thompson mill.

Miss Alice Dawnborn and Mrs. Warren Seem spent a week in the Berkshire Hills, visiting friends in Mt. Tom and North Hampton.

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Mrs. Willworth, with her daughter Dorothy, spent the week-end with her sister, Mrs. William Daborn. Mr. Stevens, of North Shirley, is making extensive improvement on his house.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet on Thursday with Mrs. M. E. Williams. The next regular meeting of the Improvement society will be held on Tuesday evening. The program is in charge of G. H. Bixby, chairman of the committee. It is hoped all will make an effort to be present.

All members of the Magazine club and others interested in joining or purchasing magazines, are invited to meet on Monday evening. Harry Porter, going on Saturday, visited out-of-town friends on Sunday.

All the hydrants in the village are receiving a new coat of paint, dark green with white tops, which adds greatly to their appearance. The apartment vacated by John Carey last week is now occupied by a family from Groton.

The Gun club had a fine day for the hunt on Thursday. Capt. Robert Bliss and his men won with 2150 points against 1850 gained by Capt. Sleeper and his hunters. The annual prize committee, Dr. A. C. Shepley, awarded to George Haskins, 475 points. William Kezar and Cadwell Bliss, on opposite sides, were tied for second place.

Charles Balcom and Ralph Harrington, at 325 points. The game numbered 9 pheasants, 18 gray squirrels, 4 muskies, 4 nutcrackers, 5 rabbits and a number of red squirrels. An oyster supper was furnished by the losing side with the following course: Mollusks, Wheaton, Tatman and Powell.

Squannacook lodge has accepted a "pitch" challenge from Nashobah lodge of Littleton. The contest will take place in Squannacook hall on Thursday evening, October 19. Refreshments will be served.

Miss Ruth Kane has been entertained by Miss Margaret Branahan, of Milford, N. H. Albert Robinson, Edward Mellish, Joseph Bostley and P. W. Kane, with Lawrence Strand in his auto, attended the ball game in Boston on Thursday.

WEST GROTON. Center. Capt. Sherman H. Fletcher, Alfred W. Hartford and Harold Fletcher were in attendance at the public school in Boxborough, at Tremont Temple, Boston, last week.

Mrs. Gertrude C. Skidmore is entertaining her friend, Miss Cora Godfrey, of Brooklyn, N. Y., at her summer home.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright and daughters, Frances and Alice, enjoyed a delightful trip to the White Mountains, starting last Saturday morning, and returning on Tuesday evening. They enjoyed the beautiful scenery of the Crawford and Franconia Notches, particularly attractive at this season, and other interesting points, going on to Portland, Me., and home. In the four days of touring, covering over 400 and 500 miles, they had splendid weather aside from some rain Monday afternoon and also no trouble with engine or driving, which is a good record for a comparatively new owner and driver.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hartford spent this last week-end with relatives in Melrose. Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Woods, of Saugus, have been guests this week at Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Hildreth's.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Hildreth and Mr. and Mrs. H. E. Fletcher have been absent this week on a combined business and pleasure trip to Newark, N. J. Miss Sarah W. Loker attended the autumn meeting of the North Middlesex Woman's Board of Missions held in Boxborough on Tuesday.

No special observance of Columbus day was noted in town aside from the closing of the public schools for a day and one day of beautiful fall weather for work or play.

John C. Abbot and Alfred W. Hartford enjoyed one of the World's Series games. Apple picking is in full swing with help scarce, in fact hard to get at any time. The large orchardists report winter apples as running small in size, affected no doubt by cold, wet weather during the first of the growing season.

Tadnuck Club. The opening of the twelfth season of the Tadnuck club took place Tuesday afternoon at the Unitarian church under very pleasant conditions of weather, attendance and general arrangement of the afternoon's program. The Ladies' German orchestra program, assisted by Mrs. Nettie L. Roberts, soloist. Mrs. Roberts was in

splendid voice for her group of songs, "Land of long ago" and "Heart of mine," being especially enjoyable. Miss Julia H. Fletcher was her accompanist.

Miss Alice M. Howard is the club's new president and brings to the office experience, ability and tact. Her opening address was followed with the closest attention and a generous and thoughtful outpouring of the growth, scope and service of the club movement and as it applied to this particular club. The reception committee, consisting of Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Mrs. V. C. Bruce Wetmore, Mrs. Harry Prescott, Mrs. A. W. Hartford and Mrs. W. R. Carver, provided beautiful decorations of autumn flowers and served a very pretty appointed club tea. Mrs. Clarence Hildreth and Miss Eva E. Fletcher presided at the tea urns and Mrs. Carver was the special hostess of the afternoon. The attractive club calendars were distributed at this meeting.

There was a representative attendance present at the annual association from town and other reasons some of the club's most loyal workers were much missed from the gathering.

About Town. Owing to the uncertainties of the electric light at the town hall on last week Thursday evening the Grange was very much meddled with in program. Late beginning was one middle; unable to initiate candidates was another middle. State Master Chapman was present and assisted in a much-needed shaking-up, waking-up address, but before finishing the lights went out in the upper hall where everybody was, but kept burning in the lower hall, where nobody was, which is some more middle. As a result of all this upheaval of uncertain light the Grange held a special meeting on Thursday evening to initiate candidates and other business.

At a meeting of the milk producers in the town about Lowell, held in Lowell on Tuesday evening, Walter S. Holder, of Chelmsford, was chosen as chairman, and Mr. J. W. Wetmore, Samuel L. Taylor. The organization is incorporated under the laws of Massachusetts, under the name of Lowell Suburban Dairy association. The next meeting will be held on Thursday evening, October 19, will be the neighbors' night at Westford Grange, Chelmsford and West Chelmsford Granges will be neighbors of the evening. They are right up in entrance. It is out to ye who do not always come and be right there if you want to have your eyes pleased and all that back of the eyes. The local Grange has been invited as neighbors' night guests with Tyngsboro Grange on Tuesday evening, November 14.

Mrs. John McMaster is ill at the Corum hospital, Pleasant street, Lowell. The Fletcher Cold Spring farm folk report the loss of several bushels of potatoes from after sundown this evening.

BOXBOROUGH. News Items. Mr. and Mrs. David Dickson and Mrs. Lund, of Lowell, were Sunday guests of Mrs. Anna Page.

The Misses Mabel, Lucy and Ina Wetherbee went to Worcester Wednesday evening to attend the wedding of their cousin, Miss Dorothy Carey. Miss Mabel Lawrence came home on a day Tuesday and expressed her well pleased with her position in Waverley.

Mrs. Addie Loring and Miss Mary Hager are soon to begin housekeeping in Marigold cottage. Miss Hazel Morse spent the week-end with friends in Barre.

Miss Maria Steele spent several days with relatives in North Brookfield and Leominster last week. Ten members of the Bigelow families, from Norwood, came out by auto last Sunday to enjoy their annual picnic dinner on the hill.

Mrs. C. B. Robbins spent Tuesday in Townsend with Miss L. Eva Stearns. The Borough Pomona Grange held the first meeting of the season here last week Thursday. It comes in such a busy season that many were unable to leave their apple picking even for a day, but the attendance was very good. The forenoon session was mostly devoted to business part of the literary program having to be omitted. After an excellent dinner, in charge of the Richardson, an address was given by Aiden C. Brett, of North Andover, who is chief inspector of apples under the new apple grading law. After the address he gave a practical demonstration of grading, packing and branding closed packages of apples. He succeeded in convincing most of those present that it was a difficult thing to do with the kind of apples he had to use, and even under the new law of apple. The many questions asked him showed the various complications arising from trying to conform to the law. Mrs. Alice Graves gave a reading. Mrs. Alice Graves sang a solo.

One of our enterprising young market gardeners, picked eighty quarts of strawberries from the vines the first of October, and is making two pickings a week at the present time. Mrs. Charles Hemenway has returned to Littlefield farm after a three-weeks' visit in Bangor, Me.

Miss Nellie Petch, of Boston, was a week-end guest of her sister, Mrs. Albert Hartwell. Church Notes. Sunday services—Morning worship at eleven o'clock; subject, "How much more." Sunday school at 12.15. C. E. meeting and evening service at seven o'clock. The pastor will give an address on "Habit."

The tenth annual meeting of the North Middlesex Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions was held in the church in Tuesday which had been effectively decorated with autumn leaves and flowers by Mrs. M. E. Hager, Mrs. Hibbard Graves and Mrs. S. B. Hager.

Before ten o'clock autos and trucks arrived. Those who came by train were met at the station by Mr. Salmond, Carl Swanson and George Richardson. After the meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. J. C. Alvord, of Littleton, Mrs. G. H. Dunlap, of Ashby, led the devotional service. Following the reports and minutes of business the address, such as the morning was given by Miss Anne L. Buckley of the Woman's Board of Missions, Boston, and it was both interesting and instructive, with many helpful suggestions to auxiliaries; topic, "Looking forward—our big drive for 1917."

After the roll call of societies the

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meeting adjourned for dinner which was served in the town hall under the direction of Mrs. G. W. Burroughs, assisted by Mrs. Lewis W. Richardson, Mrs. Maria Whitcomb, Mrs. Arthur Nelson, Mrs. Frank Dodge and Miss Ethel Mead.

Following a praise service in the afternoon the annual election of officers was held. Mrs. Frank Gaylor Cook, of Cambridge, spoke on "Our golden anniversary gift." An address to be remembered was that of Mrs. C. N. Ransom, of Africa, who told in a very realistic and vivid way of the contrast from "Zulu Kraal to Christian Home." The pictures and band clothing of the native girls were interesting.

An impressive service of intercession was led by Miss Sanderson, of Littleton, followed by a solo by the pastor of the Boxborough church, Rev. G. M. Missirian. The last feature of the program was a missionary pageant, "The appeal of the nations," in charge of Mrs. Arthur Nelson—Mrs. R. Y. Nelson, Mrs. G. W. Burroughs, Mrs. Arthur Nelson, Miss Mead, Miss Maria Steele, Miss Margaret Downs representing the women of different countries in costume. This brought to a fitting close a very inspiring meeting. There were 100 present at the afternoon service, representing fifteen churches in this district.

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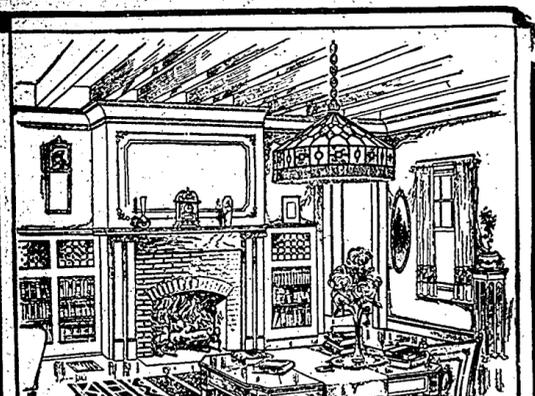
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### TOWNSEND

Center. Mrs. L. U. Clement, Miss Eva Whitcomb and Miss Stella Farris attended the annual state Sunday school convention held in Boston, October 11-14, they being chosen as delegates from the Congregational Sunday school.

Mrs. Catherine Powell of Amesbury has been the guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Misner.

Miss Viola Misner was the over Sunday guest of Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Higgins.

Lewis H. Bacheller, the young evangelist from Malden, who has made a remarkable reputation, has been the guest this week of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilder. Townsend friends will be interested to know that Mr. Bacheller is to assist in the evangelistic meetings to be held in November at the Highland Baptist church, Fitchburg.

At the recent meeting of the Townsend Hill Improvement society the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Frank Barber, pres.; Mrs. George Hartford, v. p.; Mrs. Stanley McNear, sec. and treas.; Miss Carrie Walker, librarian; Miss Ruth Morse, asst. At this meeting plans were discussed for the coming season.

T. E. Flarity, Robert G. Fessenden, John Piper and Master Donald Fessenden attended the World's Series game in Boston last Saturday.

Miss Angela Boutelle is enjoying a visit at the home of her brother, Newton C. Boutelle, of North Litchfield.

Mr. and Mrs. George G. Clarke and daughter Arline, Mr. and Mrs. Franklin R. Jett and children motored to Worcester last Sunday and spent the day as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Jett.

The many friends of "Plucky" Swicker, who broke his collar bone on the athletic field several weeks ago, will be glad to know that after having his arm bound down with adhesive plaster straps for five weeks, he was relieved of them on Monday and placed in a sling. It will be some time, however, before he will be able to resume his work at the mill.

Monday evening was "Educational night" at the Grange. The meeting was to have been in charge of Supt. Herman Knight, but on account of his auto being out of repair he was detained in Fitchburg. In his absence, however, the subject was extemporaneously discussed by several of the members. Dr. A. J. Atwood, George L. Whitcomb, Mrs. Edna E. Reed, Mrs. Flora Atwood, whose remarks were certainly interesting and profitable.

Reed Hall met with an accident the first of the week, dislocating his shoulder while picking apples in Bert's orchard, the limb breaking, causing him to fall. He was taken to the Burbank hospital, the X-ray applied and his shoulder splinted. Reed is about out but will be some time before he can return to his work as teamster.

Parent-Teacher Association. The first meeting of the Parent-Teacher association was held Tuesday evening in the high school room. Before the business hour a very pleasant reception was given the teachers, during which musical selections were enjoyed from the school Victrola. At the business meeting the following new officers were elected: Albert S. Howard, pres.; Mrs. F. B. Higgins, sec.; Mrs. R. G. Smith, treas.; F. B. Higgins, Mrs. T. E. Flarity, Mrs. F. I. Atwood, Mrs. James Farrar, Mrs. William Bush, Mrs. Walter LeGay, relief com.; Mrs. Frank Boutelle, entertainment com. The subject of the evening to be discussed was "Needs of the schools of Townsend as seen by parent members of the association."

The first speaker, Mrs. George Hayward, expressed the hope of having a teacher's helper in caring for the little folks after their early dismissal from school while waiting for the school team. The second speaker, Edward B. Morse, from Townsend hill, spoke of the need of continued hearty co-operation between teachers and parents. Mrs. Clarence McCard, from the Center, spoke of the ever present need of a water supply system and persistent vigilance in exterminating the flies. Rev. A. L. Stricker referred to the need of the evening and the advisement of a business course being added to the high school curriculum. After the remarks by these four speakers the subject was open for general discussion. Supt. H. L. Knight, Mrs. F. B. Higgins and others participating.

The next meeting of the association will be held on the second Tuesday in November; subject to be announced.

Club Meetings. At the Birthday club meeting in the Congregational vestry on Friday evening of last week, an excellent party was served at six o'clock. The husbands of the ladies being invited, it was gentlemen's night. In the evening the entertainment was open to the public with an admission fee. Many were present to hear S. Thompson Blood, of Concord Junction, a popular impersonator, who gave the evening's program, which consisted of readings and character sketches. His wit and humor was enjoyed as he gave his humorous lecture on "Hats," his perfect imitations of nationalities, the droll farmer, the bashful schoolboy and dignified judge. He also gave a fine rendering of "Hello," by Sam W. Foss, and a selection from Mark Twain. Some of his impersonations were given in song, accompanied on the piano by Miss Emma Adams, an appreciated guest of the club. Rev. Joseph MacKean gave a very highly and profitably addressed "Character study," explaining many interesting points on phrenology and the diversity of mental faculties, touching briefly on personalities being portrayed many times by the facial expression, "the face being an index to the mind." After the address Mrs. Sherwin kindly sang a second selection after which a social hour was enjoyed, the serving of refreshments by the hostess, Mrs. Wood, who was prettily aided

by her four daughters, Misses Helen, Dorothy, Elsie and Caroline Wood.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Willard and daughter Martha, from Dorchester, visited relatives in town last Sunday.

Charles Thorning, from Littleton, is spending a few days with his father at the Torning farm on the Ashby road.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Dean and their daughter Gertrude, from Maynard, visited at the Squamcook Inn on last Sunday.

Mrs. Alexander Reed had charge of the library books at the reading-room last Saturday, on account of the illness of the custodian, Miss Alice Seaver.

**New Advertisements**  
**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.**  
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of NOAH PAYSON SMITH late of Pepperell in said County, deceased.  
Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by WALTER T. SMITH who prays that letters may be issued to him, one of the executors therein named, the other having deceased, without giving a surety on his official bond.  
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the first day of November, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.  
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be on one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.  
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.  
F. M. ESTY, Register.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.**  
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of HANNAH MARGARET M. TENNEY late of Townsend in said County, deceased, intestate.  
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on said personal estate of said deceased to WILLIAM H. ADAMS late of Townsend, in said County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.  
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the thirtieth day of October, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.  
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Townsend Tocsin, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be on one day, at least, before said Court.  
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.  
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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.  
F. M. ESTY, Register.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.**  
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of LUCY J. DODGE late of Littleton in said County, deceased, intestate.  
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to FORD B. HUBBARD late of Littleton in said County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.  
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-third day of October, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.  
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Littleton Clarion, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be on one day, at least, before said Court.  
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.  
F. M. ESTY, Register.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.**  
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of LUCY J. DODGE late of Littleton in said County, deceased, intestate.  
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to FORD B. HUBBARD late of Littleton in said County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.  
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-third day of October, A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.  
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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.  
F. M. ESTY, Register.

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Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to FORD B. HUBBARD late of Littleton in said County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.  
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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.  
F. M. ESTY, Register.

**COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.**  
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES S. BARRETT late of Ayer in said County, deceased.  
Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by 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 nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.  
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.  
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.  
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To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES S. BARRETT late of Ayer in said County, deceased.  
Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by 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 nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.  
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.  
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.  
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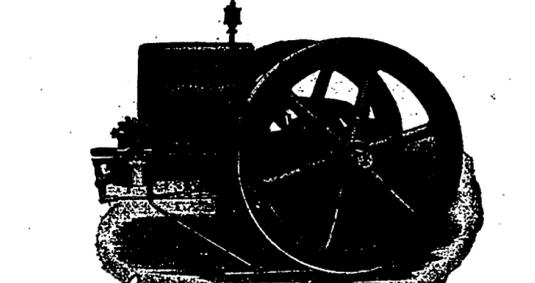
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