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of Marion L. Bartlett on Wednesday evening, January 3, at his home in Springfield. His death occurred after an illness of a few days with pneumonia. This might have yielded to the remedies of the attending physician if Mr. Bartlett's general health preceding the attack had not been much impaired by disease dating back several years.

Marion Louville Bartlett was born in

Marion Louville Bartlett was born in Norway, Me. October 13, 1846, of English and Scotch ancestry. As a roung man he was interested in sports giving an interseting account of the most important games in which this team of forty years gone by had participated. The pictures of the players also appeared.

His marriage to Miss Charlotte Reaveley of Turners Falls occurred in May, 1877, Miss Reaveley being also of English parentage. They lived in dc. Conn. They came to Pepperell o reside about 1896, 31r. Bartlett be-ng connected with the Nashua River

the family in this town, Mr. Barl the family in this town, Mr. Barl tt became affiliated with the Unita and a member of several committee various time and a regular attend

Mr. Bartlett was a man of qui Mr. Bartlett was a man of quiet stes and unostentatious manners, t thoroughly liked by those who ew him best and a pleasant, obliging end and neighbor when his health is good. Very few have any idea the suffering caused by his dissed condition, which especially acted the nervous system, particularly ring the last year of his life.

ring the last year of his life. Mr. Bartlett is survived by a widow, rs. Charlotte Reaveley Bartlett, and six children. The three daughters e Mrs. Walter A. Stiles, of New cleans, La., and Misses Rosamond and Helen L. Eartlett, of Spring-ld. The three sons are Arthur W. New Orleans; Genieve and Mary Bartlett, of this town; Frances and Phyllis
Bartlett, of Dorchester, and Shirley
and Roger Bartlett, of Hartford, Mr.
Bartlett also leaves one sister, Mrs.
J. B. Woodbury, of Norway, Mc.
Services were conducted from his
late home in Springfield on Friday,
January 5, Rey, Dr. Neil McPherson
being the officiating clergyman.
The remains were brought to Pepperell for burial of Saturday, arriving
on the noon train. At three o'clock
a ritual and prays service was conducted at the home of Ms son Arthur
on Main street b. Rev. Dudley R.
Child. The beares in town were ho-

on Main street b. Rev. Dudley R. Child. The bearers in town were Joseph Donnelly, John A. Frossard. Walter W. Lunt and Arthur P. Wright, and interment were in the Pepperell cemetery.

The many beas iful floral tributes from friends and relatives both in Springfield and Pepperell attested the esteem in which the deceased was held.

The death of Mrs. John Ayers, sixty-six years of age, occurred in this town at the house of Mrs. M. A. Fitzpatrick at the house of Mrs. M. A. Fitzpatrick on Cottage street, Monday, January 8 Her death occurred after many weeks of patient suffering from a complicated disease. Mrs. Ayers will perhaps be better to membered in this town as Mrs. Patrick Foley, who lived in the old Sylvester place nearly fifty

rs. Ayers was a native of Irelan irs. Ayers was a native of freland after coming to America met and cried Patrick Foley and settled or old Sylvester place. Mr. Foley in 1885 and several years lated to Ayers married John Ayers, take up her abode in Leominster. Af ing up her abode in Leominster. After over twenty years of married life Mr. Ayers died in 1916. Mrs. Ayers left-Leominster and took up her abode first in Ayer and then in South Acton. Nearly four months ago she was taken ill and for the last four months has become steadily weaker. She seemed to realize her approaching end and wished very much to die near her old home in East Tejpereil. She voiced her wish to her life-long friend. Mrs. wish to her life-long friend, Mrs. y-E-Fitzpatrick-Mrs.-Fitzpatrick her wish to her life-long friend, Mrs. Mary. E. Pilzpatrick.—Mrs.—Filspatrick has been a dear friend of Mrs. Ayers ever since the deceased arrived from fieland and came to Mrs. Filzpatrick's father's house in Groton half a cerfather's house in Groton half a century ago. Accordingly, arrangements of the late E. A. Markham, widdline, were made for the removal of Mrs. ow of the late E. A. Markham, died the Myers to Mrs. Fitzpatrick's home in Alyers to Mrs. Fitzpatrick's home in the home of Lucius T. Wilson, and about six weeks Townsend street, Saturday, January 6. Her first marriage was to Mr. Markham was about ham, occurred about forty years ago.



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Funeral services were held at St. Mary's church in Ayer at 9.30 Wednesday morning, the funeral cortege leaving Pepperell at 7.30. Interment was in St. Mary's centifery beside her first husband. Patrick Foley.

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THE STORE FOR THRIFTY PEOPLE

LOWELL, MASS.

Charles A. Willett, the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Willett, who formerly lived in town on High street. left Lynn on Friday of last week for Contral America, where he has a position with the United States Fruit Co.

He gives up a good-position as steno; Roger Tune spent a part of his holi-lay school vacation in North Billerics with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Foss.

Mrs. Jerry Annis is expected home from Warner, N. H., this week, as he brother. Fred Clogston, is sufficiently recovered from the measies to be up

Mrs. Fred Dunlap resumed her ork last week in A. A. Tarbell's store s she was improving from her recent

Mr. and Mrs. E. J. Darling spent Friday of last week in Fitchburg on a

Miss Clara Shattuck spent part of the Christmas vacation with her sister, Mrs. C. C. Tucker of Woodland arm. Mrs. Tucker's little grandchild, Elizabeth Maxwell, is also with her for the present

At last reports the injury received by B. K. Humphrey at the West Groton mill-seemed to be the straining of muscles about the ribs, but it is proving serious enough to confine him to his bed. Mr. Jewett goes over every day to attend to his work as engineer.

resume their duties at the Home Correspondence school, Springfield.

The penny social held by the Ep-worth league members at the Metho-dist vestry on last week Friday even-ing brought out a large crowd of the young people of the league and friends. For the entrance fee and re-

Mrs. E. A. Johnson had her niece

In our columns last week we gave out a brief item concerning the death

Ruth Morrill, from Lawrence, her during the holiday vacation.

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Center.

At the meeting of the Boy Scouts this week Friday evening Gerald Decatur gave a talk to the boys on Porto Rico. Miss Freida Stiles entertained the Embroidery club very pleasantly at her home on Wednesday evening.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Congregational church held its regular business and sewing meeting at the church vestry on Thursday afternoon. Perry Shupe's residence has been connected with telephone, 47-3; Frank C. Bannister's call is 77-3. The telephone company has also installed two new pay stations in town, one at Splain's store at Forge Village, 8076-4, and one at Blodgett's store in Granite-ville, 8076-3.

We note the recent death of Rev. George F. Stanton, at quite an advanced age, after a long, successful career in the ministry. In the earlier years of his ministry he was a pastor of the Congregational church here, his term of service coming after that of Rev. E. R. Hodgman.

The committee for the January social at the Gongregational church are busy preparing for an attractive evening. A short play, entitled "An interrupted proposal," will be given by well-known talent, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Taylor, Mr. and Mrs. D. L. Greig, Mr. and Mrs. Labonteley and Mrs. J. E. Knight. There will also be out-of-town talent in music and readings. The committee in charge are Mrs. W. R. Taylor, Mrs. C. L. Hildreth, Mrs. D. L. Greigand Miss Edith Wright. cial at the Congregational church are

Tickets for the annual guest night of the Tadmuck club are being dis-tributed to the members. This comes on January 30 and promises to be one of the pleasant events of the winter. or the pleasant events of the winter If there are any members who have overlooked the payment of dues they should get in touch with the treasurer Mrs. Perley E. Wright. By doing so they will greatly facilitate the distribution of the tickets, as only paid-up embers are entitled to the tickets.

Rev. Howard A. Lincoln was in at-tendance at the Sunday meetings in Boston on Wednesday. Mrs. William C. Roudenbush enter-tained a very pleasant thimble party at her home on last Saturday after-

noon.

Our genial postmaster, J. Herbert Fletcher, came about as near witnessing what might have easily proved a tragic accident as he cared to the first of the week. In going through North Acton in his Ford automobile, just as he was ascending the rise by the Nagog house, another Ford, coming in the opposite direction, skidded badlygoing to one side of the highway and going against a banking near the plazza of the hotel. When the machine struck, in which there were four people, it turned completely over. Mr. Fletcher hurried to their assistance, first stopping the engine of the over-turned machine, and then helping over-turned machine, and then helping to get the occupants out. Aside from fright and bruises the occupants escaped more serious injury by almost a miracle. The hotel was closed for the season, but the people were cared for at a nearby house.

Mr. and Mrs. George T. Day quietly Mr. and Mrs. George T. Day quietly but pleasantly observed the fiftieth anniversary of their marriage on last Monday. They were the recipients of many cordual felicitations. They were married fifty years ago in the Unitarian church by Rev. George H. Young, who was pastor of the church at that time. Also, on the same day Mr. and Also, on the same day Mr. and Sherman H. Fletcher observed the forty-seventh anniversary of their marriage. They, too, were married at the Unitarian church by Rev. William A. Cram, who was pastor at that time

This pond is one of the best for maring ice, having neither inlet or outlet, and nestling in the forest closeby
the Lowell & Flichburg street railway
stated in last week's issue that Edward Fisher was ill at his home in
Lowell. It was Mrs. Fisher who was
ill, but who is now reported as very
much better.

This pond is one of the best for maring ice, having neither inlet or outlet, and nestling in the forest closeby
the Lowell & Flichburg street railway
and Stony Brook railroad, it is a convenient and ideal place for camp-life
of ice-life, which thickened this year
it to twelve inches. much better.

A recent real estate deal noted is Grange.

Annual Meeting.

The annual business meeting preceded by a dinner at noon took place on Monday at the Congregational church it was a very pleasant gathering of the church family with a predominating spirit of good fellowship and good will. Mrs. H. G. Osgood and Mrs. A. E. Day and a group of willing helpers were in charge of the bountiful dinner served at noon. There were present thirty-three members of other churchs regularly attending this church; also, four children. At the conclusion.

cons. A. E. Day 1 yr., H. G. Osgood 3 yrs.; Miss L. B. Atwood, treas.; John P. Wright, asst. treas.; H. G. Osgood, Misses L. B. Atwood and M. P. Bunce, col.; J. W. Rafter, aud.; H. G. Osgood. col.; J. W. Rafter, aud.; H. G. Osgood, supt. Sunday school; C. D. Colburn, aust.; Miss Anna Symmes, sec. and treas. Sunday school; L. W. Wheeler, A. E. Day, H. G. Osgood, J. P. Wright, Charles Colburn, trustees; Misses L. B. Atwood and S. W. Loker, A. E. Day, H. G. Osgood, L. W. Wheeler, supply com,—It was voted that the treasurer be authorized to renew any insurance policies that may expire during the year.

The ninth annual firemen's ball under the direction of the Edward M. Abbot hose company took place at the town hall on Friday evening of last week. All the arrangements for the lancing, decorations, music and regardents were most conclusions. freshments were most capably man-aged by the efficient committee in charge and the only thing that marred the evening's success was the stormy, this the attendance was good and con-

this the attendance was good and conditions were most comfortable for the dancers and for those who came to look on and who occupied the gallery. Poole's Boston orchestra furnished a splendid concert from eight to nine and for the dancing which continued until two in the morning.

The Hall was most effectively decorated with red and black streamers, wreaths and groenery. The stage occupied by the orchestra was banked with greenery and the red letters, W. F. D. at the front in relief against the green. The work of decorating the hall was under the direction of Robert Prescott and reflected the greatest credit to his good taste in this direction.

At nine o'clock Edward M. Abbot At nine o'clock Edward M. Abbot, fire engineer, and Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher led the grand march, followed by the members of the company and about sixty couples. The members of the company wore their red shirts, adding a bright note of color to the scene. There were soem very pretty dresses worn by the ladles.

Refreshments were served in the lower half at eleven o'clock, after which dancing continued into the morning hours. In spite of the inclement weather the committee met all expenses and turned over a balance clement weather the committee met al expenses and turned over a balance to the company treasury. The com mittee in charge were S. B. Watson Robert Prescott, Edward Clement William E. Wright and Arthur Walker

The annual meeting of the The annual meeting of the First-Parish church will be held in the ves-try of the church, Saturday evening, January 13, at eight o'clock, to elect officers, hear reports of committees and transact other business that may come before the meeting.

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Among the anniversary wedding days that have passed beyond the half century time in prosperity and happiness are Mr. and Mrs. John Greig. They were married fifty-six years on January 6. For many years Mr. Greig was superintendent of the weel and with the Manard. en mills in Maynard; afterwards, for nearly forty years, superintendent of the Abbot worsted mills at Graniteville. After retiring he purchased the Levi. Snow farm near Fairylew cemetery. He is still active and interested in daily affairs, as he is close on eighty years. Mrs. Greig is also active in quiet good in the close approach to seventy-seven years. Both are natives of Scotland. Of their children two are living, David L. Greig, with whom they live, and Mrs. Frank A. Drew. en mills in Maynard; afterwards, for

Among the competitors in the Conrad Richards voting contest in Gran-iteville who won was Mrs. Etta Rich-

iteville who won was Mrs. Etta Richardson at the John H. Decatur cotage, on the Lowell road.

At the monthly meeting of the Lowell Board of Trade, the Middlesex County Farm Bureau, was unanimously endorsed and listened to a report from their representative to the farm bureau meeting at Concord on December 12. The bureau is backed and boosted by everybody's good wishes except the farmers, who are still at the brakes.

at the brakes. Westford Grange will hold a dance in the town hall on Friday evening, January 26. Hibbard's orchestra of Lowell will furnish music for danc-

Mrs. Charles S. Edwards died at her home in Brookside on Wednesday afternoon after a lingering illness, particulars of which will be given next

Wallace Johnson & Son finished cut ting ice on Burgess pond Wednesday This pond is one of the best for mak-

A recent real estate deal noted is the sale of the land and buildings at Minot's corner by Mrs. Bessie E. Gates to Manuel Jose Avila.

The president of the Tadmuck club. Miss Ahee M. Howard, held a meeting in Library hall on Tuesday aftering in Library hall on Tuesday evening by Edwin E. The officers aftering in Library hall on Tuesday aftering in Libr fare were acted upon. The next meeting, January 16, will be held at the
Congregational church and will be in
charge of the committee on household
economics. A good speaker has been
arranged for and there will be vocal
solos by Mis-Percy J. Wilson

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Granitoville.

who gave interesting sermons. A large number of the Woman's Sodality received holy communion in a hody In the evening the members of the nois Name society attended the sol-emn upion services that were held in the Immaculate Conception church in Lowell at seven o'clock. The local or-ganization left here on a special car at 5.30.

Edward Riney, who has spent the last two weeks as the guest of his brother, T. A. Riney, in Camden, N. J., returned to his home here on Monday night. He was accompanied home by Little Veronica Payne, who has spent the past few months.in Camden as the guest of her uncle and aunt. as the guest of her uncle and aunt Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Riney.

The voting contest that has been conducted by Conrad Richards here for the past few months came to a successful close last week, when the following women were declared the winner for the different prizes: Mrs. Amede Canton, first, plano, Forge, Village; Mrs. Thomas McCarthy, Granite-yille, second, phonograph; Mrs. G. P. LeDuc, Graniteville, third, gold watch; Mrs. Etta Richardson, Westford, fourth, chest of silver.

Excellent coasting and skating has been enjoyed here during the early part of the week. The members of the Ladies' Aid so

of the M. E. church met with Frank Caunton on fast Thurs G. P. LeDuc, with his niece, Miss

Juliette LeCroix, have recently returned from a very enjoyable visit spent with relatives in Quebec, The members of the Men's club gave

The memoers of the Men's club gave that pleasing farce, entitled "Who stole the chicken?" in the M. E. church on last week Thursday even-ing to a goud-sized audience. All did well in their respective parts. The members of Court Westford held their regular meeting on Thurs-day night, when plans were discussed in relation to the coming installation.

The members of Cameron circle, C. F. of A. held a well attended and interesting meeting in their rooms of the portance was transacted and during the session the newly-elected officers were duly installed by the deputy. Mrs. were duly installed by the deputy, Mrs Maria J. Wall.

William J. Murphy, of Manchester N. H., has been a recent guest of Mr. and Mrs. Henry J. Healy.

Many from here attended the fire-men's ball that was held in Westfort on last week Friday evening, and al had a thoroughly good time.

Forge Village.

Miss Annie Cherry is spending two weeks visiting friends in New York. Misess Sarah and Edith Precious have moved into the tenement recently va-cated by Mrs. J. E. Burnett.

John Brown, sr., is seriously ill at his home on Bradford street. Owing to the severe storm of Friday dance in Westford. All report a splen

Miss Alma Canton won the piano ir the contest closed by C. Richards las

Miss Lottie Parrott of North Adams is visiting her mother. Miss Ida Reed has severed her po sition at Abbot Worsted Co., and gone

to Connecticut. The sleighride planned by Cameron school scholars has been postponed, owing to the loss of snow, but the scholars' spirits are good and hope for a heavy snowfall soon, so as to be able to enjoy their usual ride.

St. Catherine's parish were well represented at Lowell services Sunday in

honor of holy msas.

Mr. and Mrs. H. G. Daley of Clinton have been recent visitors here. The merry jingle of bells have onc again ceased owing to the recent thaw Master George Goucher is suffering from a severe attack of pneumonia. Mr. and Mrs. William Baker are now settled in their new home on Pine

"A great many people from this village are taking in the war pictures now showing in Lowell. Miss Lottie Parrott of North Adams

is visiting her mother the past week. GROTON

Clipping.

History of Groton Band.

Howard B. Souther, "Phil's" brother, was a member of the band for a while before he went to the Spanishwar in 1893. He played cymbals.

In narreting in regard to the marriage serenade to Mr. and Mrs. Barbee Miller at Zach Fitch's, there was

bee Miller at Zach Fitch's, there was one rather amusing episode of which we have since learned, which was omitted. One of the frequent forms of diversion which the country boys of a generation ago used to indulge in was playing practical jokes on the town-constable. Charles Corey, who was one of the duly elected constables, of Groton at this time, was a parlicularly ant and appropriate subject for of Groton at this time, was a particu-larly apt and appropriate subject for such pranks. It was one of his idio-syncrasies to wear a tall silk hat on all state occasions, which served es-pecially to emphasize his dignity in the capacity of an officer of the law. Such pronounced manifestations of importance served all the more to bring out the mischievous bent in the boys. Therefore, when Mr. Corey ap-peared upon the scene in his tall hat, the boys were ready for him. Their the situation and their desire to add flavor to it, were manifested at first by various small articles flying through by various small articles flying through the air intermittantly in the direction of the hat. Many of these missiles hit the mark and more than once the hat of the disconcerted constable was tilted and it was knocked completely off a number of times. These attacks were so opportunely timed and so cautiously executed that Mr. Corey could not discover, in any instance, who the guilty party was.

Tiring of this, the boys sought a new

Tiring of this, the boys sought a new form of amusement at the expense of the poor constable. Two or three of them would engage him in conversation while another would "sneak" around back of him and punch him when he was in the midst of the mist when he was in the midst of the most earnest part of his conversation. The boy would then dodge back so quickly and assume such an innocent attitude that Mr. Corey was unable to determine who did it. Then as a variation, the blow would be aimed at the top of the hot if an attempt to crush it down the hat in an attempt to crush it down

onto his head.

It was about at this point that one of the band fellows noticed that the roughness of the boys was increasing and their blows were beginning to have a telling effect upon the old constable and, fearing serious consequences he are someone to "steer" him.

. Woods. In 1900 the interesting engagements In 1900 the interesting engagements were those at Lakeland park for the F. and M. club in August and the Labor day picnic of St. Mary's church in Ayer. Of the last job N. D. Shattuck remembers well. No hint of any engagement came to him until about seven o'clock the night before Labor day, at which time Rev. J. P. Sheedy telephoned up and wanted to hire the band. Norman agreed to have a hand band. Norman agreed to have a band there. In a town covering so much there. In a town covering so much territory as Groton does, it was no easy task to get word to the members of the band. But like Paul Revere, he had to spread the alarm, and he covered as much territory before the september 5, they play morning hours of Labor day, he thinks as did that famous rider of '75. His means of conveyance was a blevele means of conveyance was a bicycle and he rude to James Fitch's, from here to Fred Gales' home three miles there to Fred Gales' home, three miles down the Lowell road, to Frank Chapman's in the edge of Pepperell, and to ather places as widely, scattered. George Chase too took a mid-night ride similar to this one fifteen years or more previously, before a St. Pattick's day job in Lowell and to both him and Mr. Shattuck the unusual experience stands out in memory. him and Mr. Shattuck the unusual experience stands out in memory.

A few men come to our notice now.
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the band at this time. He was an Englishman and had played in professional bands in England, we are told. He bought a farm in the edge of Pepperell and came there for his health. He is admitted by all to have been an everlent baritone player. After a few years he moved to Ayer, playing with both the Groton and Ayer bands. He was connected with the Groton organization about five years.

William Hoiseau of Ayer played quite regularly with the hand for a few years he ginning in 1898. He played cornet, but never was a regular member.

In 1900 heroy Shattuck entered the band, playing snare drum. This he played for a year and then took up slide trombone, studying first with his father. Norman, and then with Robert Stavely of Nashua. He also studied loveloy of come. It differs also in the details of the details

father, Norman, and then with Robert instead of progressive rates which instavely of Nashua. He also studied violin with Miss Addie Lovejoy of Ayer. His connection with the band lasted four years. In 1904 his father moved to Leominster. At that time Roy took up his musical-studies with Prof. G. A. Patz of Fitchburg hand was soon playing in the Leominster and then in the Fitchburg bands. He is now considered the best trombonist in this section and has probably risen the highest in music of any of those who started with the Groton band. On September 5, 1900, N. D. Shattans of the discount of the present system. The rate of the taxpa of the present system. The rate of the present system. On September 5, 1900, N. D. Shat-tuck invited the band to be present at a house warming at his home. The cattle show on September 26 closed

the season's engagements.

We have mentioned the good works

grain, are considered useful, as they eat the roots of couch-grass and the seeds of many troublesome weeds. It is commonly believed by naturalists that all the various domestic varieties of pigeon, have descended from the rock dove. Domestic pigeons often oscape and interbreed with the wild ones, successive generations soon acquiring the coloring and form of their wild ancestry. Many gradations in color and form may be readily noticed in our cities, where the birds, though the them. A daily sight on Boston Common is the feeding of the pigeons, crowds often gathering to watch thom. A daily sight on Boston Common is the feeding of the pigeons, crowds often gathering to watch thom. While-before he went to the Spanish war in 1833. He played cymbals.

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bring his instrument and have one made "play" before they disbanded forever.

The meeting was called, the men appeared with their instruments. One of the old march books was gotten out and some ripping good old marches played. Sentiment won. Before the evening was aver all thought of disbanding had vanished and to Chas. Shattuck goes the honor of pulling the band out of a "slough of despond."

The season of 1901 opened with the annual engagement for the Grand Army on Decoration day at Groton in the morning and at Littleton in the afternoon. The period between that date and Saturday, September 28, when music was furnished for the Groton Grange at its hall in Palmer's block, was one of strenuous activity for the bend A number of converting the amount of the profits.

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Miss Vining, who at one time lived in Groton at the old Jacobs place, so called, was much—interested in—the affairs of Groton and its inhabitants and this was not the only occasion when people from Groton were her invited the guests. It is said that she spared no pains to give them all a liged in addition to his state tax, to broadly by saying that no such it form sources which heretofore have been a creativity from sources which heretofore have form small exemption may be obtained as to income from annuities and as to inco

spared no pains to give them all a good time. Food and drinks of all ces, he got someone to "steer" him tastes of all could be gratified, and the into the band's circle, where he was given a chair. Being thus protected by the band constable Corey was able to resume his original attitude more in keeping with the dignity of a law officer.

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officer.

The work of 1899 started out in May with a concert given in connection with Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence, the records say. An open-air concert and dance was given in Forge Village during the month.

The band was quite active during its summer of 1899. Music was furnished at three ice cream sales. Two were for the benefit of the relief corps on July 1 and August 22. The high school alumn hired the band to play for an ice cream sale. Decoration day and Fourth of July were busy days, as usual, for the band.

On August 15 the band-honored one of their number, George Blood, with some music on the fifth anniversary of his marriage and two nights later played for a housewarming at William S. Woods.

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what he meant and accordingly went out, returning a moment later with Miss Vining, who was presented to the members of the band. Everyone reports this day as a most pleasant one. There were two other engagements in 1901. On the evening of Saturday, June 8, the band gave a concert at the town hall for the second class of the high school. On Thursday evening. September 5, they played for a lawn party at Mrs Newell's

(To be continued.)

Income Tax Address.

Through the efforts of the assessors loseph E. Perry, state income tax atorney, of Boston, gave an interesting address at the town hall on last week Thursday evening on the income tax. The following is a brief summary of

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The new law leaves unchanged such parts of our present tax system as the local assessment of real estate—and tangible personal property; the taxation of corporations, inheritances polls, and the various license and siminheritances.

tax in that it taxes only income from all certain sources and not from all sources, and it has only flat rates instead of progressive rates which increase with the size of the taxed income. It differs also in the details of its deductions, and its administration but in adopting the calendar year as the taxable period and in the forms of returns recuired and, in all other

rect certain evils which have develop-ied in the present system. The rate of taxation is uniform throughout the state, thereby removing the chief in-centive, as far as evasion of taxes is concerned, for the wealthy people to colonize in a few towns with low tax rates. The new law is to be admin-istered by the state in a centralized manner insuring uniformity of aggessauditor, collectors, treasurer, trustees, superintendent of Sunday school, sectionary of Y. P. S. C. E., secretary of Y. P. S. C. E., secretary of Ladies' Alid, secretary of Ladies' Alid, secretary of Ladies' Missionary society. These reports were all in optimistic vein and showed good work accomplished.

Officers and committees chosen were of Collectors, treasurer, trustees, superintendent of Sunday school, sectionally school, sectionally superintendent of Sunday school, sectionally school, sectionally superintendent of Sunday school, sectionally school, school, school, school,

to make such return he will be ob-liged in addition to his state tax, to pay locally not less than he paid last

of revenue.

The new tax is expected to reach flearly five billions of property which has heretofore escaped taxation, to produce more revenue and to be administered at a cost of less than one percent of the revenue produced.

grown-ups who have long sought chronic skin aliments. Dr. Hobson's Eczema Olintment is a guaranteed remedy. At your Druggist, 50c.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of JAMES O. FALLON, late of Groton, 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 NELLIE M. FAILON, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executix therein named, as NELLIE FALLON, without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the thirtieth day of January, A. D. 1917, 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 one day, at least, before said Court, and hy mailing, postpaid, 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 Meintire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this ninth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

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F. M. ESTY, Register.



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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ess. Probate Court.
To all persons interested in the estate of GLADYS IRENE LEBAHY of
Shirley, in said County, minor.
Whereas, ARTHUR J. WILKINS the
guardian of said ward, has presented his
first account as guardian upon the estate of said ward.
You are hereby cited to appear at a

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You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the second day of February A. D. 1917, at nine octock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

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And said guardian is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen-days at least before said.

Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, 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,

F. M. ESTY, Register ADMINISTRATOR'S SALE OF

County of Middlesex, the subscriber will sell at public auction at the of-

(18) links to a stake and stones; thence North 78½° East by land now or formerly of Hezekiah Spaulding forty-two (42) rods and twenty (20) links to a black oak tree; thence North 5½° West by land formerly of Nathaniel Holden fifteen (15) rods to a stake and stones: thence North 41¼° East by said Holden land thir-ty-six (36) rods and ten (10) links to stake and stones; thence North 41% West by land formerly of Richard Pierce fifty-three (53) rods and twenty (20) links to a stake and formerly of Peter Tarbell and Eleazer Jewett seventy-nine (79) rods and fifteen (15) links to the place of beginning; subject to the easement granted to the Connecticut River Transmission Company to place and maintain lines of poles and wires

across said premises. Said premises consist largely of woodland with a growth of wood and timber thereon. Terms and conditions will be announced at the time and place of sale.

ALVAH M. LEVY, Administrator of Estate of J. Neat. 3w18 Fitchburg, Mass., January 2, 1917.

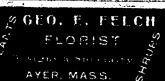
COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Worcester, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs at law, next of kin.
creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY J. BROWN
late of Harvard in said County, deceased, intestate.
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of
administration on the estate of said
deceased to FRANK L. BROWN of
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And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation-conce in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Harvard Hillside, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, William T. Forbes, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of December in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

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silver lace over which falls a graceful drape of pink satin. The bodice has



til early spring, but we are quite likely to use alpaca for dresses through the winter. For suits you must not forget that rich sating of orter weight. that rich satins of extra weight have been provided for dressy wear. The Death. novelty sultings of fine checks and stripes, of which you have already the people of this town and a wide been told, are not to be overlooked,

of various designs.

A Plaster Hint.

The wife of a physician who has occasion to run to the roll of adhesive plaster to cure less than mortal ills finds it a durable as well as neat way of marking thina when she lends a particularly good dish to an invalid, a party or a fair. She writes her name and address with indelible pencil on the plaster and sticks—it on the bottom of her dish, where it makes an inconspicuous identification and cannot be removed without at least several washings.

Drawstring Bags.

Drawstring bags made of silk or of satin continue strongly in the lend. Some very effective numbers in other fabrics, such as worsteds, have been brought out. The new designs and shapes show great variety. The riffed a lift effect is sill prominently featured, as also are the draped effects of the business for several from the death of Mr. Adams. Mr. Wallace had come to be very gravorably known, both in business clratery and esteemed by the entire community.

About 1886 Mr. Wallace changed his formed a partnership with Jonas Spaulding under the firm name of spaulding wallace, manufacturers of coperage and lumber, in Freemont, Nr. H.—This partnership continued until he retired from business.

After a few years' residence in Worcester he returned to this, his native those near and dear to him. In early life he joined the Methodist of Episcopal church, later taking letter to unite with the Congregational church, is for a number of years. After moving faithfully in its various offices, being Sunday school superintendent of the lamp shade type.

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The Birthday club mer fast Thursday afteronon of last week with Mrs. Alice Marshall. Hostesses, Mrs. Marshall. Mrs. Gertrude Hodgman, Mrs. Mary Sherrin. At this meeting the following officers were elected for the This party gown has a drop skirt of silver lace over which falls a graceful drape of pink satin. The bodice has Jennie Sawyer, ex. com. After the business meeting a musical program was enjoyed, consisting of piano duets by Mrs. Hodgman and Miss Ivons Saw-Jor: vpcal solos, Miss Annie Griggs; piano solos, Miss Sawlor. Guessing contests were elected for the onsuing year: Mrs. C. W. Meade, pres.; Mrs. Annie Bliss, Mrs. Flora Atwood, Mrs. Jennie Sawyer, ex. com. After the business meeting a musical program was enjoyed, consisting of piano duets by Mrs. Hodgman and Miss Ivons Saw-Jor: vpcal solos, Miss Sawlor. Guessing contests were elected for the onsuing year: Mrs. C. W. Meade, pres.; Mrs. Annie Bliss, Mrs. Flora Atwood, Mrs. Jennie Sawyer, ex. com. After the business meeting a musical program was enjoyed, consisting of piano duets by Mrs. Hodgman and Mrs. Ivong Seaver, vice pres.; Mrs. Annie Bliss, Mrs. Flora Atwood, Mrs. Jennie Sawyer, ex. com. After the business meeting a musical program contests were elected for the onsuing year: Mrs. C. W. Meade, pres.; Mrs. Annie Bliss, Mrs. Flora Atwood, Mrs. Jennie Sawyer, ex. com. After the business meeting a musical program contests were elected for the onsuing year: Mrs. C. W. Meade, pres.; Mrs. Annie Bliss, Mrs. Flora Atwood, Mrs. Jennie Sawyer, ex. com. After the business meeting a musical program was enjoyed, consisting of plano duets by Mrs. Hodgman and Mrs. Ivonie M

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T. E. Flarity, assisted by Mrs. F. B. Higgins and Mrs. M. L. Knight, installed the officers, elect. at the Groton Grange on Tuesday evening, the installation taking place in the new Grange hall.

The pastor of the M. E. church held a religious service at the brick college on Townsend hill on Wednesday evening with a good number in attendance. Gospel hymns were sung and a helpful talk given by Mr. Charlton on the first clause of the Lord's prayer, "Our father, who art in heaven."

At the Congregational church Rev. A. L. Struthers' Sunday morning sermon subject will be "Conforming to West.

lace, who passed peacefully into the beyond early Saturday evening at his home on Brookline street, aged 80 yrs., 7 mos and 19 days. As a shock of corn fully ripe this life was complete and his spirit returned to God who gave it. Mr. Wallace had been ill several weeks with the grippe which

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school and the spiritual advancement Death. or Carist's caurch.

He had always been greatly interested in the affeirs of the town and in all movements tending to promote the road after a brief attack of bronchial walters of the community, its moral, presuments.

of this town.

The deceased was a tender-hearted husband and father, a kindly quiet, gentleman, his good judgment, reticense and honesty securing for him that good name which is an honor the base of the second security. to his memory his native town and his home, an exemplary character worthy of lasting and affectionate remembrance.

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West.

On Saturday evening the hall at the eight o'clock by Henry N. Andrews, assistant to the income tax deputy, assistant to the income tax deputy, morning the pastor will interpret the Sunday school lesson. Epworth league meeting, in the vestry at 6.30. The seven o'clock service will be devoted to the boys. A Boy Scout anniversary at which the several promotions will be announced, and the merit badges earned will be awarded. The Squan leook patrol have invited the Groton, West Groton and Lunenburg patrols as their guests for the evening; some

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A Chat About What New Suitings Are Like.

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Do not gather the impression that broadcloth is the one and only material for suits. Broadcloth will-be used ingly to the mode both as regards design and decoration. Both fur and embrodery are perfect on a background of broadcloth.

The Townsend Monday club was ingly to the mode both as regards design and decoration. Both fur and embrodery are perfect on a background of broadcloth.

There are wonderful velours for cost suits, and there is no question but that gaberdine and serge will be used. Paris is putting out some suits of alpac, but it is hard to prophesy that this material will be used here for autumn suits.

The feeling is that if we are to use alpaca for suits this will not occur until early spring, but we are quite likely to use alpaca for dresses through the complex of the western and the method of prophesy that the meeting in the vestry at 6.30. The leaves and the Center. The play, 'en-the deced with much enthusiasm. The event will be doned. A Boy Scout anniversary, with dancing to the Victrola till about with dancing to the verification and the merit badges with dean only make a their guests for the evening; some stablished and is very attractive. Leave the horizon and having contribution on "The holly spirit." A pleasing a number of volumes of especially feature of the service was a solo by the vertical for suits this will not occur until the horizon and having contributed to the home of Mrs. C. F. Wortcaster, Many were present, including the provided with much enthusiant the provided

noon on Tuesday when a large load of logs, which was left by Henry Hathaway drawn to the side of the Hathaway drawn to the side of the road on Main street just at the top of the hill, while he took his horses to their stable on Bridge street to be fed, broke loose and coasted part way down the steep hill, crossing the street and crashing the stone wall surrounding the Homer estate, tearing down six or slept feet.

Miss Maud Hodson of Reading has been a recent guest of Mrs. Charles R. Morgan, and Miss Mary Duffey of Providence, R. I., has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Clarence L. Webster. The Ladies' Study club will meet on Monday evening at the home of Mrs. George Adams and the topic will be "Trans-atlantic steamship lines," in

charge of Mrs. Joseph MacKean. Mrs. Sanders of New Ipswich, N. H., is visiting at the home of Mrs. Cutting. The Ladies' Liberal Aid society held their regular monthly meeting Wed-nesday afternoon at the home of Mrs.

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Joseph MacKean officiating.

Others attending from out of town were Charles Sanders of Lowell, a nophow, and Henry Wyman from the Center, a half brother of her late husband. A large gathering of friends and neighbors also, attended the service and the bearers were Charles Hosley, Frank Boutelle, William Webster and Mervin Wares. The interment was in the West cemetery and several floral pleces were placed upon the grave as a testimonial of the affection of her family and friends. Although always of a quiet and retiring disposition she has for many years been confined to her home and will be greatly missed from the home circle, where she has from the home circle, where she has been cared for by her children for many years.

News Items

Mrs. Charles-Ford is in Boston car-ng for her sister, Mrs. Incz Sawyer, ing for her sister, Mrs. Inez Sawyer, who is ill at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Carrie Bruce.

The Brotherhood of the Congrega-tional church will hold its regular meeting on Tuesday evening in the church vestry. Supper will be served at 6.45, followed with an address at

position in the office of the President Suspender Company, Mis ceeds Henry Bacstubner, who has been assigned to the New York office of the company as foreign salesman.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will install its officers for the ensuing year on next Friday evening. The install-

Fred D. Weeks and Howard Fuller will contest this year for the office of selectman to succeed Thomas D. Morin, whose term expires and will not be a candidate for re-election. Robert H. J. Holden is a candidate for school committee for three years to succeed William H. Wilbur, whose Harry H. Lynch-family. She-will be treated by many who is not a cardito succeed William H. Wilbur, whose term expires, and who is not a candidate for re-election. Charles H. Weare, Jr., has resigned as a member of the school committee. Mr. Weare was elected a year ago for a term of three years, and Dr. Warren E. Bryant Is a candidate for Mr. Weare's unexpired term of two years. Arthur H. Jubb is a candidate for road commissioner and will contest the office with the present incumbent, Clayton

The articles for the town warrant must be in the hands of Charles H Weare, Jr., selectman, no later than Monday, January 15. Mrs. Kate E. Hazen is confined to her home this week with sickness.

Rev. Douglas H. Corley will occupy his pulpit at the Congregationa-church on Sunday morning at 10.45 subject, "God's utilization of sin." Ir the evening at 6.30 the pastor will preach in the vestry; subject, "Christ. our refuge." Please note the change of time in evening service.

New York

remembered by many old residents of Shirley Miss Leona Lee, who has been ill at the home of her aunt. Mrs. Marshall, is improving.

J. Fred Brown is confined at home with a severe attack of the grippe. Frank Park is assisting at the store of Coman: Bros.

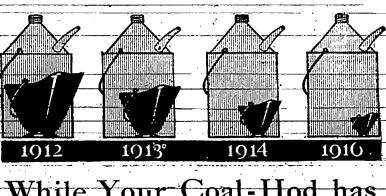
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Willard Knowles, clerk at the store
of H. G. Peasley, has accepted a position with Downey Bros., of Marlboro,
large retail grocers, and commences
work there on Monday morning.

"The scaled valley," featuring Dorothy Donnelly, is the leader at the "movies" on Monday evening. The play will be shown in five powerful reels. Two reels of the Beatrice Fair-

thanks was also given the ladies who served the supper. It was voted to send greetings to Dr. Torrey, of Burlington, Vt., a former pastor; also, to Mrs. Shearer and Mrs. Fuller. The pastor of the church, Rev. Douglas H. Corley, and the former pastor, Rev G. E. Woodman, of West Boylston were present and both gave brief addresses.

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The committee who served the supper consisted of Mrs. Neilie W. Holbrook, chairman, assisted by Mis-Martha B. Hunter, Mrs. Bessie Collyer, Miss Annie Brockelman, Miss Mary A. Park, Mrs. Frances Hersom Mrs. H. Marshall, Miss Leona the Miss Ressie Dodgung Mrs. Alice 1 Miss Bessie Dadmun, Mrs. Alice 1. Wright, Miss Altie F. Howe.



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BARRY BUILDING

Saturday, January 13, 1917.

George L. Boynton; who has been having a severe cold, has been unable to attend to his duties in the bakery

GROTON

The extensive woodlot lying partly in East Groton and partly in Tyngs-boro, owned by E. E. Tarbell, of Pep-perell, is being cleared by George Eloyd and his assistant, Mr. Trask. Last week they shipped thirty carloads of cordwood.

Miss Helen Forbes returned to Fitz-william, N. H., Monday, from Aliston where she had been spending her va-cation with her aunt and family. Her aister, Miss Gertrude, of Worcester, was there for Sunday and Christmas; also, Mrs. Frances-Forbes, of Groton, who remained for a longer visit.

The harvesting of ice has begun in earnest at Baddacook pond. Samuel Raddin is drawing ice for himself and Charles Gerrish. Mr. Cook has filled the icehouse of the Lawrence Brooks-estate this past week. Walter Floyd

Many of the fruit-growers and stock raisers of Groton will be interested to know of the death of Harry Whitney, of Harvard, who passed away on Fri-day of last week. He did an extensive day of last week. He did in extensions to business in the farming communities of this town for years and was very well-known, especially by the older residents. The particulars of his death will be found under the Harvard news.

The winter term of Lawrence academy opened on Thursday of last week. Three new pupils registered. Clayton Sheedy, who met with a painful accident some weeks ago, has so far recovered as to be able to return to his school duties. Two of the instructors, who have accepted other positions, left town at the expiration of the fall term. Mr. Wilson is located in Danielson. Conn., and Mr. Getchel in Westport. These changes have caused two vacancies, one of which has been filled by Mr. Seavey, a graduate of Bates

Shirley on Friday evening, January 12.
The young people are taking advantage of these beautiful moonlight evenings by entering into all the sports that winter affords. Coasting and skating have been excellent. To-bogganing has also been greatly enjoyed by many, due to the generosity of Theodore Richardson, who received a boothy as Christman wift. beauty as a Christmas gift.

Taken from the Fitzwilliam, N. H., weekly paper: Printed invitations are out reading, "The ladies of the Library-circle request your process." circle request your presence at a reception given to Supt. and Mrs. Tooth ception given to supt. and aris. touch aker and teachers, in the pariors of the Congregational church, Monday evening, January 1, from eight until ten o'clock." This reception was a strictly invitation function. Miss Helen Forbes, of Groton, is one of the teachers in Fitzwilliam.

The services of the Baptist church are being held in the vestry. This plan will be continued during the win-

course will be on Tuesday evening, January 16, by Hon. Edward H. Thompson, twenty-five years U. S. consul at Yucatan. Subject, "Adventures in the jungles of Yucatan," finely

At the Baptist church on Sunday the subject of the morning sermon will be "The quiet ministry." Sunday school at twelve. Praise service in the evening at seven o'clock; subject of sermon, "The quest of the best." Regular prayer meeting on Wednesday evening at 7.30.

The Boy Scouts of Troop I will hold a food sale on Saturday afternoon, January 19, in the lower town hall. The sale will be in charge of the junior patrol, under the direction of Fred Gale and Walter Jacomb.

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At the open meeting of the Grange on Tuesday evening the following officers were installed by T. E. Flarity, of Townsend, past deputy, assisted by Mrs. Margaret Higgins and Mrs. Minnie Knight: Mrs. Wallace Brown, m.: Kenneth Sawyer, o.; Mrs. Bishop, lec.: Mrs. Wootley, chap.: Fred Lancey stew.; William Sanderson, g.k.; Florence Folkins, Flora; Blanch Frazee, Pomona; Dorethy Tyrrell, Ceres; Mr. Brown, treas.; Jerry Harrington, sec.; Mr. Cook, asst. stew.; Edith Messenger, lais.; Elmer Sawyer, ex. com.; Helen Barrows, planist. There was a short. program consisting of musical numbers and readings.

numbers and readings. At the Unitarian social last week Thursday a bountiful supper was served. A large number were present, who enjoyed the entertainment, consisting of readings by the pastor, Rev. Charles Ames; vocal selections, Mrs. Ames, and a number of acting oburaday.

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Gustavus Moulton has recently moved into the George Reed place. We are sorry to learn that Mrs. Milo Harrington and her two sons, Ernest and Richard, her confined to their and Richard, hre confined to their beds with grappe cold. A doctor is

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Mr. Potter, of Pattee & Potter, rea-estate-dealers and brokers, has pur-chased the Lewis place on the Ayer road for a summer home. Mr. Potter intends making extensive repairs, it is understood. He comes from Newton.

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The arts and crafts department o

Eller Mason that she is having a most effoyable time in the pretty home of her daughter, Mrs. Hartshorn, of Springfield.

Mrs. Ella P. Woolley has recently visited her daughter, Mrs. George Cook, of Nashua. Mrs. David Murphy went to North

boro last Saturday and remained with her mother over Sunday. Miss Marion L. Weber-is enjoying a vacation with friends-in Melrose. Her father, Paul Weber, is boarding with Stanley Buda, having had his household goods stored since the death of his wife.

The Groton School boys returned of Tuesday for the opening of the winter

Miss Eleanor Mason is visiting with her sister, Mrs. Fred L. Parker, of Pepperell.

Fay Sampson spent the week-end with friends in Cambridge. The Brown Loaf club met with Mrs. H. H. Gay on Wednesday afternoon. They had an enjoyable time and there was a good number present.

The joint installation of the G. A. R. and the W. R. C. will be held on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock.

The talk given by T. Gilbert Pearson, secretary of the National association of Audubon societies, to be given in the town hall on Monday evening at eight o'clock, will be illustrated by moving pictures taken especially for this lecture. They are runsual and are sure to interest all who attend. A large attendance is desired.

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A party of twenty-eight young peo-ple of the C. E. society of the Con-gregational church met there Robert ple of the C. E. society of the Congregational church met there Robert Sargent, who took them on a delightful sleighride last Monday evening. The sleighing was good. The moon was dimly shining through the clouds as they started off, all making merry. They went down the Boston road as far as the Ridges and then to Ayer, returning to Groton, stopping on the way at the home of Ralph and David Sargent, who entertained their friends by playing games, singing songs, etc. Mrs. Sargent served the young people with delicious refreshments which were greatly enjoyed by all. were greatly enjoyed by all.

Skip, a favorite of the townspeople, a brown water spaniel belonging to James Dunphy, was run over and kill-ed by an automobile on Wednesday Eher Keirstead, formerly of this town, who is a painter in Worcester, met with a serious accident while riding on an electric car on Friday of last week in that city. In some way the car became derailed, throwing the occupants into a heap. Mr. Keirstead had the flesh torn from some of his ribs and is in a painful condition at his boarding house.

For other Groton news see page two.

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At the meeting of the willage improvement section of the Woman's club, which met with Miss Nellic Richards on Monday afternoon, there was an unusually large attendance. The following are the new officers for the wind she had received a fracture at the base of the sixell concerns of the base of the sixell concerns of the base of the sixell. tai, where it was found she had re-ceived a fracture at the base of the skuil, concussion of the brain and scalp wounds." The Wednesday pa-per state that she was in a more com-fortable condition, with a chance of

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o follow. He spoke of the necessity of the teachers using correct English of the teachers is not correctly, and even touched on taste in dress as having a direct influence on the children.

The department is very grateful to Mr. Pauli for his interesting talk, given at an extremely busy time of

the year.

William J. Putnam passed away at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Fred-erick C. Bishop, Main street, Wednes-day. He was taken suddenly ill on day. He was taken suddenly ill on hast Sunday afternoon with pneumo-nia, and in his brief illness of only s few days everything possible was done for his recovery, but the heart, which responded to the first treatment, shortly afterwards weakened, and

responded to the distributed and then failed to continue its function.

Mr. Putnam was born in Wilton, N. H., on April 17, 1842, where he continued to live for over thirty years. He moved to Nashua in 1876, and The arts and crafts department of the Woman's club met with Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck this week. The where he has made it his home with members of this department meet every Thursday and much interest is being taken.

Word has been received from Mrs. compelled to enter the farming industry as his life work. He was alerfoyable time in the pretty home of her daughter, Mrs. Hartshorn, of Springfield. 1890; as alderman from 1895-1898; as state representative from 1899-1990. Mr. Putnam was also active in Grange circles, at one time being master of Nashua Grange. He has also caused as that don'th.

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The deceased is survived by mis widow and two children, a daughter, a Mrs. Frederick C. Bishop, and a son, or George W. Pulnam, who is a teacher in the high school in Montclair, N. J. There are also four grandchildren; a sister, Mrs. Charles L. Otis, of Hancack, N. H., and two brothers. Samuel A. Putnam, of Hyannis, and George T. Mr. Putnam will be greatly missed by his many friends because of his fund of general knowledge, consideration for others, and his kind wishes for the success and happiness of all. The town of Groton is immeasurably brighter and better because Mr. Putnam lived among us and brought good cheer to those both within and beyond the embrace of his personal acquaintance. The funeral was held on Friday afternoon at two o'clock.

Annual Meeting.

The annual business meeting, roll call and dinner of the Baptist church was held on Wednesday. After the opening service the business consisted in presenting reports of the different officers and the acceptance of

bible school supts; pastor, deaconsclerk, Mrs. M. C. Sawyer, George T. Stevens, standing com.; Mrs. S. J. Souther, Dea. D. N. Pressey, Mrs. H. C. Rockwood, baptismal com.; William C. Rockwood, bap Souther, Dea. D. N. Pressey, Mrs. H.C. Rockwood, Gaptismal com.; William A. Parkhurst, Dea. H. C. Rockwood, H. P. Tainter, prudential com.; Mrs. H. C. Rockwood, church benevolence treas; Miss Charlotte Floyd, Mrs. Nora T. Folkins, Mrs. H. C. Rockwood, Mrs. George T. Stevens, Mrs. Edith L. Keirstead, Mrs. Alice D. Peabody, Mrs. M. W. Parkhurst, visiting com.; A. B. Farwell, Miss Edna Keyes, Mrs. George T. Stevens, Miss Carrie Folyd, music com.; Dea. Clough, George T. Stevens, ushers. A bountiful dinner was served at 12.30 when sixty-five sat down to the table. The roll call followed the dinner. The exercises were opened by singing. "When the roll is called up yonder," reading of 23rd Psalm, and prayer by Rev. B. E. Tucker. After the responses a report from Mrs. Tucker was listened to in connection.

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Groton Military Training School.

Corporal Phineas Parker has been appointed sergeant. The drill of the first platoon on Wednesday evening commenced a three months' course on Combat. The drill consisted principally of exercises in deployment from close order to extended order as skirmishers. Deployments from both line and order myrething and at a halt.

mishers. Deployments from both line and column, marching and at a halt, were taken up. After the drill Capt. Powers gave a talk on "General principles of attack."

Next Wednesday the first platoon, drilling in the town hall, will take up the manual of arms, and advance by platoon columns, squad columns, and thin lines. Lieut. Ayres will give a talk on "The first stage of the attack."

The second platooh, drilling in Squannacook-hall, will take up the deployments. Capt. Powers will talk on "General principles of attack." Both drills and talks are open to the public.

West Groton. The Boy Scouts held their usual weekly meeting on Saturday. Alfred Durant qualified as a tenderfoot. Bernard Cronin, Richard Kezar and Alfred Durant took tests for qualification for first and second class. Dr.

Charlton of Townsend, scoutmaster, has invited the West Groton Scouts to meet with his boys on Sunday evening. The invitation has been accepted and the boys are planning to go with their scoutmaster, Dr. Kilbourn. In the contest for which the Improvement nessed at the Opera House on Thurswelley offered a prize of \$2.50 to the winner Bernard Cronin scored thirty-eight points, winning by four points, latter had a reputation of great ability, wolford Cordot gaining thirty-four points.

Mrs. C. W. Strand is convalescing

Part of an item sent last week somehow went astray. It is therefore repeated here: The L. A. society held its annual meeting with Mrs. Edward Hallett when the following officers were elected: Mrs. H. Spaulding, pres.; Mrs. Charles Bixby, vice pres.; Mrs. C.E. Bixby, sec., Mrs.-Florence Briggs, treas.; Mrs. E. K. Harrington, Mrs. G. H. Bixby, Mrs. A. L. Harrington, directors; Mrs. M. E. Williams, Mrs. F. E. Harington, lookout com.; Mrs. M. McCarley, Mrs. A. J. Blood, social; Mrs. W. M. Kimball, Christmas, Delicous ice cream and cake were secured by the hostess. Mrs. Humphrey was given cordial welcome as a member.

The L. A. society will hold its next meeting on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. A. W. Lamb.

The Improvement society will hold the improvement society will indicate its next-regular meeting on Phesiday evening. The subject for discussion is "Should this country have compulsory universal military training." All those interested, whether members or not, are invited to give their views.

H. C. Porter was called to attend on Wednesday in Athol the funeral of cousin:

On Thursday and Friday Mrs. G. S. Webber entertained Mrs. Rebecca Webber of Ayer and her daughter, Mrs. Sargent, of Providence, R. I.

nts week Mrs. Willard Balcom is with her daughter, who is ill, in Milford, N. H.

PEPPERELL

News Items. Herbert Wilson, Brookline street, is quite ill and confined to his home. His trouble, which was at first thought to be rheumatism, it is now feared may prove to be a carbuncle on the hip.

The case of James Hunt was brought before the grand jury in Cambridge on Wednesday of last week, the charge of assault with murderous intent being maintained. Mrs. Hunt, the victim of the assault, had recovered sufficiently to appear in court; and on the avidence presented an indictment was found against him, and his trial was held Monday and he was found guilty and fined \$100 and given one month in the house of correction.

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A special meeting of the Ladies' Ald society was called by the second vice president, in the absence of the other officers, the meeting being held at the Methodist parsonage on Wednesday afternoon. After discussion it was voted to postpone the annual meeting until the return of the president, Mrs. Annis. It was also voted to hold a food sale on Friday afternoon, January 19, from three to five o'clock, and a committee was appointed to secure a place. Announcement was made later that the sale will be held at Attridge Bros. grocery store.

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The election of officers and committees for the ensuing year resulted as follows: Mrs. M. W. Parkhurst. clerk; Dea. H. C. Rockwood, treas.; Dea. T. R. Clough, George Stevens, bible school supts; pastor, deaconstible school supts; pastor, deaconstible school supts. There were several was enjoyed. There were several solections by all, Mrs. Lane acting as organist. Several articles on the subject. "New year's," were read by Miss Marie Jordan, Mrs. Charles Chapman, Mrs. John Pierce, Mrs. Matthew Lane and Mrs. Nathaniel Appleton. Greetings were given over the telephone to their absent member, Mrs. M. E. Swasey, who is convalescing after her recent illness abthe home of her niece, Miss Annie Gilson. Tempting lunch Miss Annie Gilson. Tempting lunch of sandwiches, cake and waters, with coffee, was served by the hostess, to finish a very pleasant occasion.

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Mrs. N. W. Appleton spent a few lays of last week in Boston, returning Wednesday might.—On-Wednesday afternoon, in company with Mrs. C. D. Hutchinson, as her guest, she attended the meeting of the New England Historical and Genealogical society, of demorial hall in Ashburton place, was Memorial hall in Ashbutton place, was addressed by the celebrated young Russian authoress, Mary Antin, who was most interesting in her talk on the condition of her people. During the reception which followed everyone had the opportunity for a few moments' conversation with the talented young lady. Befreshments were also ments conversation with the defendency young lady. Refreshments were also offered, including, as usual, one variety of old-time food, on this occasion the real wedding cake being served with other assorted cakes and coffee.

The trestle at the east side of the The trestic at the east sale of the Nashua River paper mills is completed and coal is being discharged from cars there. The high trestle from which coal is dumped for the supply of the little mill is now condemned, requiring more teaming until it can be be that are received. ebuilt or repaired.

Mrs. Bessie Wright took an enforced vacation from the telephone exchange a part of last week, by reason of a lame foot caused by rheumatism.

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The annual meeting of the First National bank was held on Tuesday afternoon. January 9. The officers were re-elected generally, and are as follows: Alia: A.: Shattuck, pres.; Charles H. Miller, v. p.; Henry F. Tarbell, cashier: A. A. Shattuck, C. H. Miller, H. F. Tarbell, T. F. Graham, I. J. Rowell and Arthur P. Wright, irrectors.

William Hall, who came here from William Hall, who came here from
Lawrence hast summer to assist in repairing and starting the paper machina
in the little mill at the Nashua River
Paper Company, returned to Lawrence

which they fully sustained on this evening, the Hollis A. A. being out-weighed, out-classed and out-played Following is the lineup and summary ASHBURNHAM HOLLIS A. A.

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The next meeting of the Pepperell Woman's club will be held at the home of Mrs. E. L. Tarbell on Tuesday afternoon, January 18, instead of at the Congregational vestry in charge of the music committee, Mrs. Gertrude S. Tower, chairman. Prof. Pollard will be the entertainer.

Prudence Wright chapter met with Prudence Wright chapter met with Mrs. Drury last week Friday afternoon, there being a good attendance considering the weather. Delegates and alternates were elected for the continental congress which will be held in Washington, D. C., in April-Mrs. A. R. Paull, Mrs. N. B. Appleton, Mrs. N. M. R. Gutterson and Mrs. C. D. Hutchinson. A very interesting paper, written by Mrs. S. J. Richardson, on "Early recollections of Babbatassett," was read.

A concert and dance will be given

A concert and dance will be given by the East Pepperell Military band in the Opera House on Tuesday even-ling, January 16. Band concert from eight until nine o'clock; dancing from nine until one, with music by full Military band.

HARVARD

On Wednesday morning a still alarm was rung in for a fire at the residence of George Ryan on the little common, caused by a blanket taking fire near the stove. Only slight damage was

Corp. William McNamara of the coast arullery from Fort Greble, R. I. is visiting this week-end with his aunt Mrs. J. A. Barry.

Mrs. J. A. Barry.

Owing to the generosity of Mr. Woodhead of Clinton, who gave the films and Mr. Maynard and the town who gave the hall and moving picture machine for the benefit of the Clinton Hospital association, the very agreeable sum of \$100 was cleared for this worthy object. Mrs. H. B. Royal had charge of the affair.

Mrs. Harry Dickenson of Somerville is visiting this week with Miss Ruth Whitney

Mrs. Herbert Thayer is visiting for wo weeks with friends in Newton. Miss The class of 1917, grammar school

elected officers last Tuesday for the rest of the school year. Miss Eva Reed was chosen treasurer and Arthur Bigelow secretary. of the late H. F. Whitney for whom Mr. Veasie worked for several years.

Willard Bagster arrived home on Thursday from Montreal, Canada, where he has been at work for the winter. He expects to start about January 20 for Detroit, Mich., where he is to enter an auto training school and work in the fectory for practical exvork in the factory for practical ex

ing from here last Sunday.

The executive office building at Eil-donsheil on Fiske Warren's estate was destroyed by fire on Wednesday morn-ing last. Fire was discovered at 7.30 when James Cameron went to open when James Cameron went to be the building for the day. Alarm was immediately sent to Harvard and Lan-caster, both companies responding in caster, both companies responding in record time with their chemical en-gines. The fire had gained such head-way that efforts to check the fire wer-futile. The building was a concrete structure of most modern construction built about six or seven years ago by Price & MacLannan of Philadelphia Price & MacLannan of Philadelphia and was considered practically fire-proof. No insurance was carried on this building. The loss will exceed \$75,000. It is generally supposed that the fire started from the heating apparatus in the basement. The dense smoke that filled the building made it difficult for any inside fire fighting. The lock of water also proved a serious ack of water also proved a serious

difficult for any inside fire instance. In the lack of water also proved a serious handicap.

Mr. Warren is en routs home from Andorra and is not expected at Tahanto before next Tuesday, His younger daughttr. Miss Marjorie Warren, was quick to reach the scene of the fire and assisted in the work of saving such private papers of her father as was done. Mr. Warren's private desk was taken out but many valuable files were destroyed. The big safe was in the midst of the fire and water was poured on this in an effort to keep its contents from being injured and it is believed that these escaped.

The building was splendidly built and beautifully furnished throughout and its loss is a calamity to the community. For the present the executive office is removed to the Priest cottage at Tahanto farm.

Still-River.

Monday afternoon C. P. Willard was coming home from Harvard, where he had been with a load of coal, when had been with a load of coal, when about half way home his horse was stricken with an attack of black water and one leg became useless, but he managed to get home with her and immediately sent for a veterinary at Clinton. They worked over the horse all night and she got no worse and at this writing she seems to be considerably better, so that Mr. Willard has strong hopes of her littingte recovery. trong hopes of her ultimate recovery.

Mrs. Luther Willard has gone to Winchester to stay with her daughters until they get the house straightened out from the results of the fire.



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A. G. LUNDBERG

Brookside, Mass.

Miss Rose Goding has been visiting er aunt, Mrs. J. R. Bigelow. Miss Ethelyn Russell-has returned to her school teaching in Vermont, go-

Last Saturday evening about 11.30 o'clock the people of the village that overe not too sound eleepers, were roused by the ringing of the church bell for a fire in the house of Luther Willard. Many turned out and the sew auto chemical from Harvard with plenty of men were promptly on the way and were soon at the fire, where they certainly did great work and without doubt-were the means of saving the house from a total loss. The people of the house from a total loss. The people of the house had retired when Mrs. Merrifield smelled smoke. She wan a search for the cause and finally located fire in the partition near the kitchen-chimney. Mr. Merrifield said at once that it was in a bad place and told bis wife to awaken her parents. Mr. and Mrs. Willard, and go to neighbors to telephone for help while he Last Saturday evening abo Mr. and Mrs. Willard, and go to neighbors to telephone-for help while he got an extinguisher and did all that he could to stay the flames. Help soon arrived and after a long-fight the fire was extinguished, but not until a lot of damage had been done by cutting holes in floors and partitions and by water and chambers.

water and chemicals.

The fire was a bad one to handle as The fire was a bad one to nancie as it was between floors and partitions. It is a very old house and but for the lack of high wind must surely have been destroyed, as it was the damage is upwards of \$800. A large part of the furniture was removed, as at one time it seemed that the house must surely go surely go.

SHIRLEY

Center.

The Matrons' Aid society met Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. Eva L. Marsh. The annual election of officers was held with the following results: Mrs. Mabel E. Graves, pres.; Mrs. Margaret E. Harris, vice pres.; Mrs. Lida E. Wood, sec.; Mrs. Eva L. Marsh. treas.; Mrs. Harris and Mrs. Minnie E. Willins et com

Mary Grout is confined to her homon Parker road with an attack of th grippe.

Miss Carrie Bradford is spending few days with friends in Boylston, Marian Wood, little daughter of M and Mrs. A. W. Wood at Woodsvill is suffering from rheumatic fever.

Mrs. Eliza Hancock of Weston is a guest at the home of her sister, Mrs. A. A. Adams, this week.

LOST BOOK.—In accordance with hap. 590, Sec. 40 of the Acts of 1908 and amendments thereto, notice is hereby given that Book No. 13780 has been ost and application has been made for the issuance of a duplicate book. NORTH MIDDLESEX SAVINGS BANK.

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velopes-value, 25c. Salesprice 19¢

DRUGGIST

Ayer, Mass. Main Street

Rev. Frank B. Crandall attended the regular meeting of the clergy of the North Middlesex conference at last Monday, as guest of Rev.

A special communication of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Work—Fellow Craft degree.

For Saturday afternoon and evening For Saturday afternoon and evening the feature at the motion picture show will be "The Island of regeneration," a unique romance in six-parts, from the glited author, Rev. Cyrus Townsend Brady. This play is the second of the famous Vitagraph blue ribbon pictures. This picture will be followed by a two-reci episode in the Beatrice Fairfax series, entitled "The forbidden from." Oh next Wednesday afternoon and evening Mme. Petrova, the famous actress, will appear in the leading role in the powerful drama. "Extravasgance," in five parts. The fifteenth and last episode of "The shielding shadow" series, solving the mystery of this thrilling serial, will be shown. Matinee and evening shows on Wednesdays and Saturdays at the usual hour.

The registrars of voters will have their first meeting on Thursday even-ing, Jaunary 18, to register such per-sons as may desire to vote at the antown meeting which comes on

At the Federated church on Sunday At the Federated church on Sunday morning Mr. Strong will speak on the subject, "Father of our spirits." "The Sunday school will meet at noon. The topic for the C. E. meeting at six o'clock in the evening will be "Ought" and will be a pledge meeting. At the evening service at seven o'clock, there will be a lecture on Lew Wallace's book, "Ben Hur," illustrated by the stereopticon. There will be a special meeting of the Federated church on Thursday evening in the vestry at 7.30 for the transaction of business.

A regular communication of St. Paul lodge of Masons will be held on Mon day-afternoon-at-one-o'clock.--Work-Fellow Craft degree.

The following is the program to be given by the Ayer Musical association, under the direction of W. B. Robinson, on the evening of January 23 in the

lown hall:

"Tell me Flora" part I.

"Tell me Flora" part song Pinsuti Musical Association
"Rock-a-bye," juliaby Neidlinger Female Voices
Plano solo, selected Mrs. L. H. Graydon
"Country dances," quartet Farmer Mrs. Sargent, Mrs. Brown, Mr. Stone and Mr. Robinson
"Madeleine," part song Roeckel Musical: Association
"The happiest land," bass solo
"Mrs. Robinson
"Inflammatus," grand chorus and solo Rossini Musical Association and Mrs. Sargent

"Solo Musical Association and Mrs. Sargent "Breeze of the night" walts. Lamoth

'Love and Summer," part song Musical Association Part II.

"Gallia," Motett Gounod

Musical Association and Mrs. Sargent

The Unitarian Girls' club will meet with Miss Eleanor Clark on Thursday evening, January 18. The officers and members of Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., have been invited to attend the installation of officers of Temple chapter of Leomin-ster on Monday evening. Banquet at 5.80. Those planning to attend should leave here on the five o'clock electric.

The Past Masters' association of Masons held their annual meeting in Fitchburg at Masonic Temple, this week Friday afternoon. Among those attending from here were E. H. Bigelow, W. L. Preble, C. E. Perrin, C. W. Mason, P. H. Andrew, O. K. Pierce.

Miss Eva M. Robbins entertained a Miss Eva M. Robbins entertained a parents on Washington Heights Monday evening, January 8, in honor of her fifteenth birthday. Among those present were Mr. and Mrs. J. Arthur Robbins, Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Arlen, Albert and Beatrice Arlen, Martin Holliston, Waldo Winslow, Ralph and Fred Russell and Philip Griffin, Misses Ida Smith, Mildred Neat and Eva Robbins, Music and games were enida Smith, Mildred Neat and Eva Robbins, Music and games were en Joyed: Refreshments were served. Miss Robbins received many presents. A regular convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter will be held on Tuesday evening, January 16.

Willard G. White, past master of Ayer Grange, assisted by Miss Emma Kinney, installed the following officers of the Grange on Wednesday evening: Winslow, o.; Mrs. Jennie E. Leahy, lec.; Hiram S. Clark, chap.; Mrs. Nel-lie Winslow, treas.; Mrs. Margaret Rand, sec.; James M. Boutwell, stew.; Rand-sec.; James M. Boutwell, stew.; John B. Washburn, a.s.; Miss Alice Leahy, la.s.; Mrs. James M. Boutwell, Ceres; Mrs. Emma C. Wood, Pomona; Mrs. Mary Brooks, Flora; Wesley Little, g.k.; Mrs. Mary O'Clair, planist; John L. Kennison, ex. com., 3 yrs. Over 100 people were present. A-past-master's lewel was presented to Willard G. White, who has been master of the local Grange for the past three years. Refreshments were served after which came a pleasant informal ter which came a pleasant informal entertainment of songs and instru-mental-selections. Visitors were pres-ent from Shirley and Westford.

The union temperance meeting in Page hall last Sunday evening was at-tended by 200 people. Those who at-Page hall last Sunday evening was attended by 200 people. Those who attended heard a very interesting speaker in Mrs. Emma H. Howland, of Boston. Rev. J. W. Thomas presided. Rev. Frank B. Crandall read the scripture and Rev. J. S. Strong offered prayer. A conference was held after the meeting of those interested in the meeting of those interested in the movement. Rev. J. temperance movement. Rev. J. S. Strong was chosen secretary. Another meeting of all those interested in the no-license campaign will be held in the Board of Trade rooms on Sunday afternoon, January 14, at three

o'clock.

George F. Stone, of Littleton, who died last week Friday; was well-known in Ayer, where he worked for many years in the clothing store conducted under the firm name of Fletcher & Stone, and later for George H. Brown Mr. Stone made many friends during his residence here who folt deeply when they learned of his un-

The annual guest night of the Wo-nan's club will be held in the town all on Wednesday evening, January 7. The following program will be arried out: An informal reception. man's club will be held in the town hall on Wednesday evening, January I. The following program will be carried out: An informal reception, few intimate friends being-present. The during which time there will be or chestral selections under the leadership of Harold True Shattuck; selections by male glee club under the direction of W. B. Robinson; readings by Mr. Fairchild, and by the courtesy of Mrs. Ellen E. Smith, of East Main of Mrs. Clien E. Smith, of East Main street Miss Mildred Sanders will render swell known real estate dealer of this city. She has been a teacher in the Ayer High school for the past five years. Mr. McCarthy is proprietor of the Shirley Cash Market."

There will be a joint installation of officers of Robert Burns oldge. I. O. O. F., and Vesta Rebekah lodge on Thursday evening, January 18.

Boston, for treatment.

Mrs. E. H. Longley underwent a surgical operation at the Groton hospital Wednesday morning. She is reported as resting comfortably. Frank S. Pierce expects to begin-cutting his winter's supply of ice at Sandy pond this Saturday. The ice is from ten to twelve inches thick.

John McNiff is reported sick at his home on Mill street.

Harold Brady, a well-known freight brakemen on the Boston and Maine asstom, was instantly killed Tuesday morning at North Berwick, Me., when struck by an overhead bridge.

Chief Thayer of Fitchburg has con-cluded his duties in that city after nearly-eight-years of service in that position. It is said that he has an offer to go to Chelsea as the head of the police department there. Mr. Thayer went to Fitchburg from Ayer, he being at that time the head of the local police department.

Page hose company is preparing for a first-class concert and ball to be held on February 16. As this company never does things by halves the public may rest assured that nothing short of the best will be given on this correston.

Federated Supper.

The turkey supper served by the men of the Federated church Tuesday evening was a great success. The long tables filled every available space in the vestry and they were loaded with all varieties of food—turkey, gravy, mashed potato, cranberry sauce, squash, cabbage salad, pickles, apples and all sorts of fancy pies and coffee—and presented a most alluring sight. The supper was under the efficient management of Fred A. Smith. sight. The supper was under the efficient management of Fred A. Smith, assisted by Supt. F. S. Johnson, E. W. Carley, S. J. Andrew, H. J. Webb, E. B. Harlow and these were further aided by Geo. L. Osgood, Warren Winslow, John Traquair, A. M. Winslow, C. H. Hardy, Bassett Dickerman, Hiram Clark, Chester Bales, Alfred Yates, Henry G. Turner and Lester Whitcomb.

many stories that added interest to the fine address.

During the supper fine music, consisting of plano solos and duets was rendered by Misses Irene and Beulah Hassam, Flora Cole, Pearl Carley and a cornet solo by Howard Stone and these added a furthers element of enjoyment. joyment.

George W. Shattuck, a resident of

George W. Shattuck, a resident of Ayer for thirty years, passed away on last Sunday at W. E. Wheeler's residence, where he made his home. Death came as a result of pneumonia after but five days' sickness.

Mr. Shattuck was born in New Ipswich, N. H., and was aged 78 years and 19 days at the time of death. When he first came here he was employed in the old Union furniture shop which is the building now occupied by which is the building now occupied by which is the building now occupied by the Feculose Company. Later, he entered the employ of Frederick Whitney in his carriage shop, in which employment he remained until about slyyears ago, when he gave up work. For the past few years his eyesight has failed to such an extent as to make him practically blind. His wife died on February 17, 1911.

His parents were Shebuel and Eliza (Knowitcon) Shattuck. On July 6,

(Knowlton) Shattuck. On July 6, 1879, Mr. Shattuck and Miss Sara R. Gibson of New Ipswich, N. H., were married. They resided in Ashby, Fitchburg, and Ayer, in all of which places they had a large circle of

friends.
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prayer and Rev. J. W. Thomas in a few well chosen word introduced the staken from a Lew-speaker of the evening. Mrs. Grace Bloom, Mrs. paper of recent date:
Howland of Boston. A speaker of wide experience and ability, having traveled and labored extensively in the horrospeaker of the recent properties of temperance. She gave one of the recent house of the ablest addresses on temperance over heard here. Only words of praise and commendation were heard on avery elde. The meeting closed with all; rising and singing "America."

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Every Member Canvass.

The parish committee and treasurer of the First Unitarian Parish church Thursday evening, January 18.

Michael F. Fitzgerald, p.w.p.; assisted by Martin Scullane, installed these officers of Ayer Junction, Aerie, F. O. E., Thursday ovoning: Crasge R. Johnson, w.p.; P. A. Parker, w.p.; Thomas W. McKay, w.c.; Charles W. E. Force, w.s.; Alfred E. Oikle, w.t.; John Fallon, w.o.s.; J. Fred Coburn, John Fallon, w.o.s.; J. Fred Coburn, w.c. After installation refreshments were served and a social hour spent. Mrs. Howard, P. Flotcher returned Sunday afternoon from the Groton hospital, where she has been for treatment. Her little daughter, Marjorie, who has been quite sick with the measles, is reported better.

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The National bank has elected these officers: Howard B. White, pres.; O. K. Plerce, v. p.; Charles A. Normand. cashler; Oliver K. Pierce, Howard B. White, Hobart E. Mead, Waldo Spauiding, Thomas Hazen, Daniel W. Fletcher, directors.

The condition of I. Grant Dwinell, who is seriously lil with pneumonia, was reported as unchanged this Friday noon.

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own pledges the canvassers will go out two and two, and between three and five o'clock-call upon a given number of persons. As soon as they have made their rounds they will return to the vestry and report to the treasurer.

District Court. Solomon Koski, of Shirley, was ar-raigned Monday morning on charges of assault and battery disturbing the He pleaded referred to his carry that whon he peace and drunkenness. He pleaded not guilty to the first complaint and guilty to the others. He was found guilty on all complaints and given a suspended sentence to the state farm, the period of suspension being one month, on the charge of disturbing the peace.

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This was Koski's third appearance in court in the past few weeks. The last time he was given thirty days' sentence to the house of correction. He was liberated in ten days, owing to the fact that he has a wife and several small children who are dependent upon him for support. The sojourn at the East Cambridge institution failed to have the slightest effect upon Koski, judging by his ac-

which is the have the slightest effect—upon—Koski, judging by his actions since the time of his release. When asked by Judge Atwood how he liked the house of correction Koski replied that he liked there first rate and would rather be there than working hard for a living.

His latest escapade occurred last Sunday evening when he aroused the neighborhood in an endeavor to find his wife, whom it is said fled from the house to escape his violent attacks. These assaults and threats on his wife are, according to Chief Riley, frequent occurrences.

Koski promised that he would cut out drinking at once if given one more chance. The chance was given him on the distinct understanding that the first time he drank any liquor, which is the bettern of all the trouble

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After the people had thoroughly satisfied the inner man Rev. J. C. Alvord of Littleton was introduced and he gave in a bright and racy way an address which was the story of his boyhood in old Virginia. He described the ways and customs, the people and the scenery of that grand old state and embellished the account with many stories that added interest to the fine address.

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The Girls' club had its first meeting of the year last Wadnesday as guests of the newly elected president, Mrs. George O. Fillebrown. Mrs. W. E. George O. Fillebrown. Mrs. W. E. H. Wylie, custodian.

Christian Science Society of Ayer.

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crime was committed.

John C. Daffy, Chief Beatty and T.
F. Mullin, probation officer, appeared as witnesses in the trial Monday.

James Hunt of Pepperell was sentenced to pay a fine of \$100 and to serve one month in the house of correction for assault with intent to mur-dur his wife in that, town several weeks ago. After a preliminary hear-ing before the local court he was held for trial in the superior court. Chief Beatty and Officer Mullin were present

s witnesses.

James Fox and Charles Leonard, both of Lowell, were arraigned this week Friday morning on complaints of drunkenness and disturbing the peace. Both were found guilty and their cases were filed after being warntheir cases were filed after being warned by the court to get out of town and stay out. Both men were arrested in the railroad station walting room. Thursday evening by Chief Beatty for making a disturbance there. The men started from Lowell to go to Keene, N. H., and while walting here for a train to their dectination they had some drinks. When they got too had some drinks. When they got too noisy D. W. Mason, ticket agent, sepa-rated them from a bottle, when the real trouble began. Chief Beatty, however, appeared and stopped pro-ceedings. Fox has but one leg and appeared to be quite sick.

friends.

J. E. Teiller, who conducted a barbor shop in the Public Spirit building is now working for Joseph E. Donovan in his shop on Merchants, row.

The Special Aid society has formed a class for Red Cross first aid instruction. Dr. Ayres of Groton has kindly tonsented to be the instructor. The consented to be the instructor. The first of a series of winter entertainments under the auspices of Ayer termoon at the lower fown hall.

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Mr. Wilson then presented Rev. Thomas P. McGinn, the paster of St. Mary's parish, and chaplain of Ayer council, through whose efforts James B. Connolly, of Boston, the speaker of the evening, was procured for this occasion. Mr. McGinn, in internal to Wood were tellers.

Rev. G. M. Missirian whehes to announce to all the friends in Boxboro that a telephone has been installed at the parsonage. 103-22 is the 'phone number. He will be glad to receive messages at any time. the evening, was procured for this occasion. Mr. McGinn, in introducing Mr. Connolly, alluded to him in a very compilmentary manner as a gifted author, friend of kings and of former President Theodore Roosevelt, and withal, a christian gentieman.

Mr. Connolly, when he arose to opeak, was given a great reception. He spoke on the trip of the war door.

spoke on the trip of the war fleet around the world during former Presi-dent Roosevelt's administration. What he had to say of the famous 46,000the had to say of the famous 46,000-mile cruise was all the more interest-ing because of the fact that he accom-panied the fleet as the official cor-respondent of the trip, he being so respondent of the trip, he being so designated by the then President

-In-opening, Mr. Connolly-said that In-opening, Mr. Connolly-said that there was such a vast amount of interesting things to be said about the famous cruise that he would have time to give but a sketch of it. He said that the cruise was made purely as a test of efficiency of the United States navy. Skeptics, many of whom in high government positions, stated openly before the departure of the fleet that it could not make the prescribed journey. could not make the prescribed journey without serious mishaps and consequent delays. The outcome of the trip with the vessels in first-class condition, however, forever silenced the doleful-prophecies of the supposed example.

perts.

Mr. Connolly briefly sketched the course of the fleet and the interesting incidents connected with it, both among the 4000 men that compose the crews of the fourteen battleships, and in the various landing places where the fleet stopped to take coal: Some idea of the amount of coal consumed may be obtained from the fact that it requires seven days to-load each large-vessel. There were a number-of auxiliary ships with the regular fleet. Many interesting events happened on the fourney and at various points the fleet received a cordial reception. A most impressive feature was the greeting given to the warships as they passed the coast of Chili, where 2500 of the solders of that country were grouped on the high slope of the Andes Mountains near the shore in such a manner as to form the word "Welthe crews of the fourteen battleships manner as to form the word

Mr. Connolly paid a high tribute to employed in the insurance office in Boston under Benjamin Taft, of Ayer, to whom he referred in kindly terms, and of his spending a vacation at Mr. Taft's cottage at Sandy pond thirty years ago. He also spoke of coming here as a member of a football team several years ago, when his team met several years ago, when his team me defeat at the hands of the famou Aver eleven which was at that time one of the crack teams of the state. At the close of the most interesting address Mr. Connolly was given a rising vote of thanks. Brief remarks were made by Rev. T. P. McGinn and Rev. F. H. Houston.

An enjoyable entertainment con-sisting of songs and plano selections given by four Lowell young men, John Callahan, Thomas and George John Callahan, Thomas and George Tobin and John McArdle, brought to an end a very pleasant evening. The committee in charge of the arrange-ments for the entertainment was Jo-seph M. Markham, John H. Hooley John H. Mullin, John H. Burns and John F. Ryan.

Unitarian Church Notes.

Sunday service—Regular offices and morning prayer at 10.45. Music, pre-lude, "Morning prayer," Wilkinson; "Threefold amen." Young; "Venite." Solly; "Te Deum." Stainer; anthem, "Comes at times, a stillness," Oakeley; postlude, "Marche religieuse," Barrett. Preacher, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, the minister. Subject, "God, the father." Church school at twelve.

The Girls' club had its first meeting

Prescott Burrowths attended the meeting of the Borough Pomona Grange at Marthur this week area was installed as steward

Mrs. Linwood Eichardson his gone to Northern Vernant to attend the wood, of funeral of her moto er. Mr. Richardson was unable to go on account of the filmess of their son. Since Mrs. Richardson left her husband received word that his wife's fether was critically fill.

Mrs. Potter, the new teacher at No. 2, is boarding at A. E. Lawrence's Arthur Houghton of Worcester was week-end guest at C. T. Wetherbee's.

The Richardson family, who have been living on the E. B. Cobleigh farm for a short time, are soon to move to Lynn, where Mr. Richardson works

While John Coffey was on his way to work in Stow last Tuesday morning his horse slipped on the fee breaking his leg and had to be killed.

News Items. This week's Congregationalist reports Rev. H. L. Packard of Shelburne Falls as uniting recently with the Methodist and Sapitst churches in a series of evangelistic services. The same periodical contains an interesting article by Grace M. Boynton entitled, "Honoring Dr. Parkhurst," in which she describes a banquet followed by speaking at which Dr. Boynton presided as tostmaster.

A party from the Baptist church will hear Rev. William A. Sunday at the Tabernacle in Boston Sunday night if present plane materalize. The Ladies circle of the Baptist church held a sewing meeting with Mrs. H. L. Caulkins Wednesday afternoon.

Officers of the Baptist and the Orthodox C. E. societies expect, to go to the Shirley Congregational church on Monday night next to a union meeting. Little Philip Howard, son of George Howard, was operated on Tuesday night by Drs. Kittredge and Hepkins for an abscess in the inner ear. young patient seems to be making good progress at time of writing. Mrs. Laura Farmer was successfully treated for erysipelas at Lowell hospital and has returned to Little-ton. At present she is living at Mrs. Alex. Gregory's.

Goldsmith H. Conant is located with the same firm for which he worked last winter, testing steef.

Mrs. H. F. Works installed the of-ficers of the Daughters of Veterans in Waltham Monday night.

Mrs. Holbrook, who has visited her sister, Mrs. H. F. Works, and other relatives in the East for two months. has gone to her home in Decatur, Ill George A. Cook has been housed since Sunday on account of trouble with his eyes that necessitated staying in a dark room most of the time.

Fox Hunters' club in Bedford this

TOWNSEND

At the Congregational church Sun-Bethel Mission, Worcester, will speak on his experience and conversion. A good attendance is desired. Everybody welcome. Mr. Benson will be the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Wilder.

Grippe and grippe colds seem to be quite prevalent in our village, one or more and in some cases all members of a family being ill at the same time. Charles Dix's nephew. Fred Starkey, and wife of Lowell are at present taking care of Mr. Dix, who is ill with pneumonia. Mr. Dix, who lives alone, was kindly cared for by the neighbors previous to their arrival.

Mrs. Edward Morse's youngest siser, Mrs. Sarah Maxwell, of New Ipswich, who has been spending several yeeks with Mrs. Herbert Bowley, was taken to Nashua Monday and operated upon Tuesday for appendicitis at the Memorial hospital. Her friends hope

for her speedy recovery to health.

Miss Clara M. Sheldon and friend
from Brookline were the week-end
guests of Mr. and Mrs. Wilbur Bruce. Mr. and Mrs. Rowland Haynes, of New York, are assisting in the care of Mr. Haynes' father and mother. Mr. and Mrs. Charles T. Haynes, who have een ill for some time at the Wallace home on Brookline street

Mr. and Mrs. Elam Misner are re-ceiving congratulations upon the birth

Mr. and Mrs. Elam Misner are receiving congratulations upon the birth of a daughter on Monday.

Mrs. C. F. Worcester entertained a company of lady friends at an automobile whist party at her home, on coop aduring the lunch hour is a pleast tables of whist, cardboard automobiles the stables of whist, cardboard automobiles the stables of whist, cardboard automobiles to different colors being used as countiers. The owners of the yellow cars, the beverage are furnished on a control of the pellow cars. service is neld every Sunday morning in G. A. R. hell at 10:30 Subject for Sunday, Jenuary 14. "Sacrament." Sunday school at the same hour. All are corollally invited.

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Mrs. W. Robinett left to home Maplelawn, Wednesday, for Workes, ter, where she will spend the greater part of the winter.

The list of sick people in and about this village is increasing to be four of the usual ten children went on the school barge Monday, and but three on Wednesday Oliver Proctor is one of the latest cictims of the grippe cold. Although confined to the bed Mr. Proctor is free

from pain and rests comfortably most of the time. His condition is one of of the time. His condition is one of weakness. A trained nurse is in at-tendance.

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LITTLETON

News Items.

Rev. J. C. Alvord addressed the audience at the men's supper in the Federated church, Ayer, Tuesday everning, taking as his subject, "Boyhood on a Virginia plantation." Mrs. Alvord was among the guests.

The Philathea class has chosen nominating committee that will report at the next meeting, which will be sheld with Mrs. C. K. Houghton at the Common on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. William I, Nichols, of Cambridge, was very hospitably received by the Alliance which was present in large numbers last week Friday afternoon. She spoke informally on the function of the minister's wife, giving a brilliant analysis of the subject from both a humorous and a serious point problems as related to the minister's wife, particularly in the country church. A pleasant feature of the afternoon was the singing by Hazel Bradley, accompanied at the plano by Catherine Proctor. Catherine Proctor.

Mrs. W. C. Brown spent two hours Mrs. W. C. Brown spent two hours at a meeting of the War Relief association in Concard on Wednesday, and was impressed by the extent of Concord's achievements for the relief of suffering among the soldiers.

Stone, to mourn his death.

Mrs. Laura Farmer, who has been A. H. Gregory's on Russell street. John Tarbox, employed by F. S

Runnall, has moved into Mr. Kimball's Mr. and Mrs. Stacy C. Bates arrived in town last week.

Parish dinner and annual business

Senator Charles A. Kimball has been assigned to the committees on towns.

For railways and agriculture, and has been signally honored with the chairmanship of the last named.

There is much sickness in town Heavy colds and grippe are prevalent

F. B. Priest has been suffering from Quincy sore throat. The Sunday evening meeting at the ongregational church will be led by B. Conant. Subject, "Influence of or on religion."

The Woman's Missionary society of the Baptist church will be held with Mrs. Edith Sauler, Wednesday afternoon, January IT. Leader, Miss Emina E. Tenney. Subject, "Japan." Alice C. Brish, Clara A. Converse, Ruth D. French, Heien W. Munroe, Gertrude Ryder. Nint Tuxbury, Edith Wilcox.

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The building enterprise continues in town Fourteen new houses have appropriated in the spring of 1917, two of which will be located in the Center.

We learn of much sickness in the command v. Many people are housed with the grappe and there are few who are not affected with severe colds.

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Fred Reed is feet viring from a severe case of the grippe.

The closing number of the lyceam course wid be given on January 23, one week later than announced on lickets. This will be home-talent might, the last and best of all, because given by our own people.

Rev. of J. Fairfield's sermon subject Sunday morning will be "Our guide in religion, enlightened reason rather than conventional opinions and traditions handed down from the past." This is the second subject in the series of sermons on the distinguishing characteristics of Unitarian-liam.

The annual Newtown night of the Back-log club will come one week from next Thursday.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield was in Lowell on Monday, attending a meeting of the

Rev. O. J. Fairfield was in Lowell

ous fracture in the left knee joint. A perfect recovery is assured, though the process will necessarily be slow. There was a large attendance at the evening meeting of the Congregational church last Sunday, the first in the held in the Baptist vestry last Sunday evening. The topic cards of this acries were distributed on that date.

Rev. J. C. Alvord addressed the audience at the mean's supper in the last sunday tabernacie were a prominent feature. Gathered around the open fire the meanness and danger of evadaudience at the mean's supper in the last sunday tabernacie were a prominent feature. ing moral issues was carnestly dis-cussed. In a similar vein the subject on Sunday evening will be the word "Ought." The meeting will be led by Miss Rachel Cornwell.

The Woman's Mission J. Sauler on Wednesday afternoon at three o'clock. Subject, the mission-aries recieties in Japan. New developments in science and ir

sudden Death.

was impressed by the extent of condocated achievements for the relief of suffering among the soldiers.

Miss Lucy Adams, having recovered from a recent attack of the grippe, resumed her teaching in Waltham on Monday.

At the caucus on Friday evening of last week Rev. Herbert L. Caulkins was nominated to the office of school committee in place of E. H. Woodbury, who refused to be a candidate for received the nomination for selectman in place of Harry S. Barker, who wishes to retire from the office.

At the annual meeting of the Board of Trade on Monday evening there was therefore posfponed one week. A full attendance is required at the meeting on Monday evening.

The Board of registrars will be in the relectmen's room on-Monday evening from seven until nine o'clock.

George W. Whittomb and Harry S. Barker, with the selectmen of Groton on last Saturday at the Groton Afres, who regarded him as a brilliant scholar, a leader in athletic sports and an achinery were ably discused.

Miss Mary Hager, of Boxborough, is at Miss Belle Sawyer's for the pression.

Mrs. Laura Farmer, who has been with the rest of his school days.

Wrist Laura Farmer, who has been sting for some time, has gone to Mrs.

At the funeral service held Sunday at brother, L. J. Stone, to mourn his death.

At the funeral service held Sunday afternoon from his late home on Great road. Rev. Oliver J. Fairfield spoke words of deepest sympathy and consolation. Mrs. L. A. Hager and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell sang, the comforting selection, "Beautiful size of Somewhere." Interment was made at Bellevue in Harvard, which cemetery was given to that town by an uncle of the deceased, Henry Warner. The body was consigned to its final resting place by H. F. Proctor. J. Stone, to mourn his death.

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days.
While living in Ayer he married on

September 11, 1895, one of his former neighbors and schoolmates, Miss Lizzle A. Proctor, of Littleton.

His early interest in farm life and love of animals became ruling factors in his change of residence from Ayer to Littleton and in 1901 he bought and took possession of the home in the North district, which became so dear

Parish dinner and annual business meetings of parish and church will be held in the Orthodox Congregational vostry today.

G. W. Whitcomb shipped two Holstein helfers to Mr. Bessam, of Lee, N. H., last week, for \$800.

A son, William Davis, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Walter T. Speirs, of King street. Saturday, January 6. loval wife and daughter in preference loyal wife and daughter in preference to the glamour of society. By his neighbors he was known as a kindly friend, ever ready, as occasion offered, to lend a helping mand. In his business relations he was honest and honorable. To his wife and their daughter he showed a devotion that was affectionately reapprocated, an object of their cherished memories which must abide always.

k, M. Wrack of the storm It. Book about the theatre, Mister Simon's garden A. Story of Scotch (w. H. The photoplay (F. Cave twos) (f. Advance of the English

mas card.

Roy. O. J. Fairfield was in Lowell on Monday, attending a meeting of the ministers' association, and in Boston on Wednesday evening at the meeting of the Unitarian club, on which occasion he heard Winston Churchill, the author, give an address on "Our religious dilemma."

The sewing meeting of the Alliance for January will be held at the home of Mrs. P. L. Brown on Friday afternoon.

Louise Caulkins met with a painful accident on last week Friday by failing from a pung in which a number of children were riding home from school. An X-ray examination at the Lowell hospital showed a rather seri-

Election of Officers.

At the annual meeting of the Forget-not circle of King's Daughters, reports were made showing the usual amount of good work accomplished, a considerable sum expended, and a large balance on the credit side of the accounts. Mrs. Helen A. Whitcomb, the efficient president for the last three years, and other officers who had served creditably, retired. The election resulted as follows: Mrs. Augusta W. Esten, press. Mrs. Flora M. Kimball, Mrs. Ella 'E. Pingry, vice pres.; Mrs. Annie D. Hubbard, sec.; Mrs. Adeline W. Knowiton, treas.

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At a subsequent meeting these com At a subsequent meeting these committees were chosen:—Mrs. Estelle R. Cook, Mrs. Jennie G. Nixon, Mrs. Clara C. Titcomb, Mrs. Edith Sauler, Mrs. Mary I. Hibbard, work: Mrs. Sarah H. Watts: Miss-Elizabeth W. Thacher, Mrs. Mabelle M. Kimball, Mrs. Adeline W. Knowiton, Mrs. Maud Caulkins, Mrs. Minnie R. Hartwell, visiting; Mrs. Lillian M. Hume, Mrs. Minnie A. Kimball, Mrs. Horietta - Ewings, Mrs. Amelia Wakefield, Mrs. Annie C. Smith, Mrs. Helen A. Whitcomb, sunshine: Mrs. Edna W. Davis, Mrs. Minshine: Mrs. Edna W. Davis, Mrs. Minshine: Mrs. Edna W. Davis, Mrs. Min-Smith, Mrs. Helen A. Whitcomo, sunshine; Mrs. Edna W. Davis, Mrs. Minnie A. Kimball, Mrs. Gertride M. Kimball, Mrs. Annie C. Smith, emergency. Mrs. Anna W. Brown has charge of the birthdays for January, February and March.

Mrs. A. P. Gardner was the organist at the Sunday morning service, and Mr. Gardner and Mr. Dodds each sang soios at the Congregational church.

The death of Charles Francis Education of the Charles of the Stunday S The death of Charles Francis Edwards occurred on last Saturday evening in West Haverstraw, N. Y. Mr. Edwards suffered a shock on Friday morning and was unconscious to the time of his death. The deceased was fifty-seven years old, the only son of the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards. Ho was interested. His fellow townsmen who have only the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards. Ho was interested in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards. Ho was interested in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards. Ho was interested in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Ho was interested. His fellow townsmen who have only known him since the heavy huthol of the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Frances Kimball Edwards in the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. Ho was stated the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. His fellow townsmen who have only known him since the heavy huthol of the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs. His fellow townsmen who have only known him since the heavy huthol of the late Deacon Benjamin and Mrs Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

About thirty years of his life was spent at the old Hamilton print works, where he was employed as sketchmaker, and for the past five years he had been associated with Harry S.

Duckworth at the Greenville, N. Y., print works. He leaves a sister, Mrs. Frank B. Trull, from whose home the funeral was held on Monday. The interment was made in the family lot in westlawn cemetery, Littleton. His cousins, Everett, Kimball and Miss Alice-Kimball, of this town, attended the funeral. Other Littleton relatives were at the committal service.

Charles Ellery Avery.

As most-of the notices of the late As most—of the notices—of the late
Mr. Avery are remarkable principally
for their mistakes, and as none of
them make mention of what he really
accomplished, it seems only an act of
simple justice to the man, that one
who knew him from his boyhood,
knew his aims and ambitions in life
better than anyone else, should try
and tell the people of Littleton what
the true Chailes Avery was at his
best.

Mr. Avery was born in Boston, his father being Alden Avery, a well-known builder and real estate dealer, who built some of the earliest apartment houses—then called family -that were erected in Boston hotels—that were erected in Boston. The largest of these was the Hotel Berwick on Columbus avenue, the present Hotel Plaza. The son attended the Dwight school on Springfield street under Master James Paige, still living and in the nineties. He graduated from the English high school with honors and entered the Massuchusetts Institute of Technology, then fust Started and occupying a few rooms just started and occupying a few rooms in the building on Summer street, now

site of the Kennedy stores.

the site of the Kennedy stores.
Always a boy of studious disposition and even at that age marked by certain mannerisms which were more marked in later years, he chose chemistry as his life work, and showed such that the statement in concern, work marked in after years, he chose that his titor. Prof. Storer, took special interest in him and made him his assistant in his own work. He was never assistant professor in the institute and his name does not appear as such on the books of the institute. He did not invent the folded filter and did not make that claim. What he did do was to make a thorough and exhaustive test of the filter, the results of which he embodied in a thesis which was published in the Journal of Pharmacy, and the Chemical News of London. In this paper he states that the filter had been in use by Lawrence Smith and Prof. Ordway. In fact, it was in use by Prof. Walcott Gibbs at Harvard university in 1860.

After leaving the institute he be-Gibbs at Harvard university in 1860.
After leaving the institute he became connected with Whelpley and Storer and then formed a connection with the Boston Dyewood Company and introduced many improvements in the handling of logwood While with this concern he spent some time at their plant at York, Pa., improving the process of handling black oak bark.

eark.
This connection interested him in dyestuffs and he spent some time investigating the aniline dyes, but did not follow it up closely. He was never professor in the College of Pharmacy, and never had any connection with it. but was for a time professor at the Massachusetts Dental college, a dif-

the pretty Indian song, "Land of the sky blue water," Mrs. Houghton accompanying; Mrs. Marion S. Christie, who played an Indian selection; two Indian songs on the graphophone; also, by Mrs. Lillian M. Priest, who read two of J. C. Harris' Uncle Remus stories; Mrs. Bessie Dole, who read "Clia-Chuffy and the Cunjer bag," from Mary Owens' Voodoo book, and by Misses Elizabeth Brown and Margaret Conant, who read creation myths. The program concluded with the singing of "America" by the audience. A rising vote of thanks was given to Miss Howard and all others who took part.

Mrs. Margaret Parker read a new being part. Our friendship commency et all of the sustification of Seaph Dark: The limit of Stickney of the firm of Stickney of the strength of lactic acid and in this work I had the satisfaction of Seaph Dark: The program concluded with the singing of "America" by the audience. A rising vote of thanks was given to Miss Howard and all others who took part.

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Mary Owens' Voodoo book, and by can be found in the court records.

Misses Elizabeth Brown and Margaret

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Mrs. Margaret Parker read a new year-poem by Edward Markham, who was to be one of the speakers at the which the Littleton club was to be one of the speakers at the club also to attend the W. C. conference in Worcester, to which the Littleton club was matural sciences became closer at this invited. An invitation was extended to the club also to attend the W. C. conference in West Action on January 22, and consequently it was voted to amin the meeting of that date scheduled in the meeting of the Formatters of business were present, and a seminaters of business were present, and seminaters of business were present and seminaters of business were present, and seminaters of business were present and se

a feat declared to be impossible by some of the foremost chemists in the world, that was, the production of lactic acid on a commercial scale, cheaply and without offensive odors. Mr. Avery's original process was without odor of any kind, but from the complaints from two towns it seems it is different now.

'On the completion of this work Mr.
Avery suffered a complete break-down
from over study and strain and for
over two years was in Florida trying
to "come back." While here he sufto: "come back." While here he suffered a stroke, from the effects of which he never fully recovered. On his first visit to the factory which hore his name, he was carried in a chair by Hiram Brown and Patrick Nagle. But a naturally strong vitality, an indomitable will, and a course of treatment devised by himself finally beloed him so that he was fairly well. of treatment devised by himself finally helped him so that he was fairly well.

But continued ill health and bitter disappointment prevented the fulfilment of the promises of his youth, and the predictions of his scientific friends as to a brilliant and useful future were never to be realized, and at the early-age of thirty-two his work was done. What he had accomplished was well done, and many an older man who had had a long career would have been tatisfied with the praise he real close of his lecture before the society.

clived from very ominent men at the close of his lecture before the society. He was thoroughly honest and incorruptible and I saw him once turn out of his office with emphatic language a client who proposed a crook-

SHIRLEY

Ralph N. Graves of Boston, who is attending Bryant and Stratton's Business college, spont the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves.

Arthur Jubb has filed nomination papers for town road commissioner. It is reported that Wesley Comstock at the North has also taken out papers for this office.

The next regular meeting of the Girls' Sewing Guild will-be-held on Saturday, January 13, with the Misses Bradford. Bradford.

Rev. Grove: Harrison of Groton School preached a fine New Year's sermon at Trintty chapel on Sunday afternoon. Mr. Harrison will have charge of the service next Sunday at 3.15 p. m. The Sunday school classes, which have been meeting at 2.30 for the past three weeks, will be held after the service, beginning next Sunday.

The next meeting of Shirley Grange occurs on Tuesday evening. January 16. At this meeting the reports of the delegates to the State Grange ses-

sion will be given.

The Grange programs for 1917, pre-The Grange programs for 1917, prepared by the lecturer. Thomas H. Evans, were distributed at the last meeting of the Grange and promise a very interesting series of meetings. The following committees are announced in the program: Literary, Henry P. Grout, Mrs. Josie Dunn, Mrs. William. Thomason, Miss'Carrie Bradford, Mrs. Harry N. Brown: reception, Mrs. Ida Evans, Thomas H. Evans, Mrs. Hattie Adams, Arthur G. Dunn; music, Mrs. Gertruda Farrswarth, Mrs. Inez Lynch, Miss Helen Wood; Grange Journal, Horace C. Hattis, Harry N. Brown, Mrs. Inez Lynch, Mrs. Inez Lynch, Mrs. Inez Lynch, Mrs. Roman Hough, Henry F. Grout Henry F. Green

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items. Frank Mayradu has been reported as being more confortable than he has

Miss Ruby M. Ladd, of West Milars has been eng (2) of as teacher for the North primary school. She is living with Mr. and Mrs George Nye.

Fred Rockwood's Buff Wyandots made a splen id showing at the Nash-ua poultry show last week, capturing many prizes ist cock, 2d hen, 1st and 3d pullets 2d and 3d cockerell. 2nd pen and lost display of all classes

included Oscar Eliot has been confined to his home with alarges for the past two weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. Davis have rented the Sargent cottage on Milford street and are keeping house there. Mr. and Mrs Arthur Goss were among those who attended the dedi-cation of the new Grange hall in Nash-

Jamie Gilson, Forrace Hall, Harry Corey and Harland Whitcomb attend-ed the installation of officers of Hollis Grange on the evening of January 2.

Clarence Russell acted as installing of

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall went to Boston last week Wednesday and attended one of the Billy Sunday meetings at the tabernacle.

Mrs. George Cady and Edward Pierce attended the meeting of Hills-borough County Pomona Grange held in Merrimack on January 3. The Loyal Workers met at the Scav er homestead last week Wednesday for the purpose of reorganizing, but as the day broved a very stormy one only a few were present and the busi-ness was put off until this week.

There is more than one way for a young man to distinguish himself, as proved by the Brookline boys who are now at the border. They have not dis-

Herbort Corey has had his home compred with bathroom, running ho and cold water and electric lights.

Crude asbestos, amounting to 3077 tions, valued at \$621,720; asbestos fibre amounting to 30,744 tons, valued at \$837.148, and asbestos sand, amounting to 14,210 tons, valued at \$106,869, were invoiced at the American consults at \$2,887.148, and asbestos sand, amounting to 14,210 tons, valued at \$106,869, were invoiced at the American consults at \$2,880. Sherbrooke, Canada, for the United States during 1915.

The snowy top of Mt. Everett in India is plainly visible to the unaided eye from points 107 miles distant. PAINFUL COUGHS RELIEVED

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New Advertisements REPORT OF CONDITION of the First National Bank, at Ayer I. State of Massachusetts, at the of business on December 27, 1916. -Resources ----

banks
Lawful reserve in vault and
net amount due from Federal Reserve Bank
Redemption fund with U. S.
Treasurer and due from
U. S. Treasurer 1.000.00 \$763,758.53 Liabilities Capital stock paid in.....

Capital stock paid in...
Surplus fund...
Undivided profits. \$14.890.41
Less current expenses. Interest
and taxes paid. \$.231.55
Circulating notes outstanding...
Net amount due to banks
and bankers
...
Individual deposits subject. 36,638.86 20,000.00 61.847.96

Postal savings deposits

Total demand deposits

\$520,251.71 Total

CHAS, A. NORMAND, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this eighth day of January, 1917.

D. Chester Parsons, Notary Public. Correct-Attest: Howard B. White.
D. W. Fletcher,
Oliver K. Pierce,
Thomas L. Hazen,
Waldo Spaulding.
Hobart E. Mead,
Directors.

REPORT OF CONDITION of the Townsend National Bank, at Townsend in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business on December 27, 1916.

Resources

100,000.00 84.523.44 Barry Bldg. AYER MASS. 1,000.00 3,207.00

5,000.00 \$159,256.87 Total

209,378.40 \$209,378.40 Tertificates of deposit.....

\$459,256.87 Total

NOTICE.

young man to distinguish himself, as proved by the Brookline boys who are now at the border. They have not distinguished themselves by fighting, but by singling, being credited as among the best singers at the camp.

The annual meeting of the stock-holders of the Ayer Farmers' Co-Optinguished themselves by fighting, but by singling, being credited as among the best singers at the camp. at 10 A. M. Lunch will be served and the afternoon devoted to farm discus

G. B. SCHULTZ. Mgr.

Registration of Voters



The Board of Registrars of close will be in session in the Selectmen's Room, Town Hall Building, for the purpose of registering voters and corresting the list of voters,

> Thursday, January 18, 1917, from 7.30 to 9.30 P. M. Saturday, January 27, 1917, from 12 M. to 10 P. M.

> Registration will close at 10 P. M. Saturday. January 27, and no names will be added to the voting list after that date until after the next election, except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding 30th day of April and the close of registering, or to correct derical error or mistake.

Persons wishing to register should bring a tax bill or a notice from the Collector of Taxes to show that they have been assessed for the year 1916 Naturalized citizens wishing to register must show their certificate of naturalization.

PETER B. MURPHY, FRANK J. MALONEY, LOUIS H. CUSHING, GUY B. REMICK, Registrars of Voters.

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Ralph H. Wylie DENTIST

Telephone Connection 3m46 COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES W. HOUGHTON late of Littleton in sald County, deceased.
Whereas. a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of sald deceased has been presented to said deceased has been presented to said Gourt, for Probate, by JOHN H. HOUGHTON who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond. You are hereby clied to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the thirty-first day of January A. D. 1917, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice, thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Litteton Guidon, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, 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 tenth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

Stip F. M. ESTY, Register.

Total

Total

Si59,256.87

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss.

I. C. B. Willard. Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief.

C. B. WILLARD, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before methis 6th day of January, 1917.

T. James Harvey, Notary Public.

Correct—Attest:

Henry A. Hill, Robert G. Fessenden, Walter F. Rockwood, Directors.

LOST BOOK—In accordance with Chap. 590, Sec. 40—of. the Acts of 1902 and amendments thereto, notice is hereby given that Book No. 13425 has been lost and application has been made for the issuance of a duplicate book.

NORTH MIDDLESEX SAVINGS BANK, Sarah T. Tuten, Treasurer. Ayer, Mass., Dec. 27, 1916.

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State Income Tax

Do you understand the new state the risk of severe penalties if you disregard its provisions.

disregard its provisions.

In this column there will appear each week an article explaining the things you should know about it. These articles are written under the direction of the Tax Commissioner. Questions will be gladly answered by maje or in this column if addressed to the State Income Tax Attorney, State House, Boston, if reply by mail is itestred enclose postage. No attention will be paid to questions on any other subject. Mention newspaper in which you read this. So far as postage in which you read this speakers to explain this law to any organization or request. Save these articles for future reference.

JOSEPH E. PERRY,--State Income Tax Attorney.

THINGS YOU SHOULD KNOW

(Sixth Article) How To Figure Income.

If you keep a cash book showing receipts and payments it is simple to find out how much your net income ls. But if you customarily take an inventory at the beginning of each ear and wish to compute your income on that basis you may do that with the approval of the tax commissioner. It might be possible for one

who was so inclined to juggle accounts if he were allowed to alternate between the cash book and inventory methods of figuring his income so the tax commissioner will equire a person who chooses the inventory method to agree to use that same method for not less than five

Estates of Deceased Persons.

As the purpose of the new law is to tax income of the taxable sort wherever found it is only right that income of that sort received by a person who dies during the year and who last dwelt in Massachusetts and income received by his estate after his death, shall be taxed at the same rate as if he had lived. Accordingly such income is taxed in general terms to the estate until the executor or administrator is appointed and thereafter it is assessed in the nan

of such executor or administrator. In such case the executor would make out two returns-one as to income eceived by the deceased during his ffetime, the other as to income reeived by the estate. But if any porion of the income is payable to or accumulated for the benefit of persons who are not inhabitants of Massachusetts a proportionate amount of the tax is to be deducted. Moreover, who receives income from an executor or administrator needs to pay a tax on that income if the executor or administrator has already

paid one on it.

In order that the settlement of estates may not be delayed by the tax it is provided that if the executor or administrator gives due notice of his appointment as required by law and files an inventory in the estate within nine months after his appointment and makes his tax returns under this law he need pay no tax thereon un-less it is assessed within one year after his giving his probate bond as executor or administrator. If the inventory is not filed within nine months the taxes may be assessed within three months after it is filed The provisions relating to taxing in come received by trustees as hereafter set forth, apply so far as appropriate to executor or administra-

Bear in-mind that other than the above described the new law does not affect the general laws now govtates, nor does it do away with or affect the law as to inheritance taxes. Those remain just as heretofore and the income tax is in addition to them.

Property Held In Trust. The income received by estates held in trust by trustees, any one of whom is an inhabitant of this commonwealth or who has derived his appointment from a court of this 18c. lb. commonwealth, shall be subject to the taxes assessed by this act to the extent that the persons to whom the income from the trust is payable, or for whose benefit it is accumulated, are inhabitants of this commonwealth. The tax shall be assessed to such of the trustees as are in-

habitants of the commonwealth. Such part of the income of intangible personal property held in trust as is payable to or accumulated for persons who are not inhabitants of the commonwealth, shall be exempt from the taxes imposed by this act.

If an inhabitant of this common wealth receives income from one or more executors, administrators or trustees, none of whom is an inhabitant of this commonwealth or has derived his appointment from a court of this commonwealth, such income shall be subject to the taxes assessed by this act, according to the nature of the income received by the executors, administrators or trustees. It is only fair that a person who would otherwise be entitled to exemptions should not lose his exemptions because his income is derived through a trustee or other

methods for granting the same ex-

gardless of the source of the income.

A corporation acting as trustee is treated as though it were a human

trustee.

fiduciary, so the law provides

The next regular meeting of the Bird club on Tuesday evening. January 16, will be a joint meeting with Harvard Grange in the town half at eight

o'clock.

The next meeting of the Grange will be on January 16 and will be a joint meeting with the Bird club at eight o'clock. E. E. Backus, game warden of this district, will speak after which James L. Peters will sive a talk on his trip to Santa Domingo, illustrated with lantern slides. Other features will be contributed by members.

Owing to other social affairs the date.

HARVARD

News Items

relatives at Plattsburg, N. Y.

Those desiring blanks for the new income tax requirements can have the same by applying to the assessors or at the postoffice.

he postoffice.

Batchelor's bungalow on the Bolton road, Bare Hill, is to be occupied by Victor Gebo and Franc Mary, the young French chaufeur from New York during the winten. Augustus J. Chester supplied the house furnishings with the help of our popular plumber and general utility man, R. L. Fillerrown. The hungalow certainly heaven. The hungalow certainly has he appearance of comfort-and

Harvard Center boys furnished ready hand at Luther Willard's fire on ready hand at Luther Withard's fire on last Saturday night. Our F. R. Di carrier, Franklin Hynes, with Frank Brown were the first to give the alarm and assisted in putting out the fire Lewis Savage dressed, made the town hall and got the new chemical engine to the fire in twenty minutes.

Mr. and Mrs. George Gale returned in Monday from their visit to Provi

Mrs. Lilly C. MacLennan returned on Tuesday from Providence, R. I., where she has been visiting with her father, A. T. Gray.

A party of Bromfield boys and girls with lithel Ryan at the wheel took a sleigh (?) ride to Littleton on Tuesday evening, attending the dance party at the town hall.

Miss. Dorechy, Hennany, of Waltham

Miss Dorothy Hapenny of Waltham's visiting with her grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hanna.

Bromfield school is still minus one of the assistant teachers. Miss Ber-nice Sears is convalescent at her home from an attack of tonsilitis

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bryant enter tained their daughter Amy with her husband for over the last week-end and Sunday.

nie new law clear to his audience. In contain Men's club met fast Sunday evening at the town hall. AtSunday evening at the town hall. Atter supper the meeting was opened to
the public. W. T. Suith gave an insurretive talk on the new state income
tax law, defining taxable income and
cxplaining the correct manner of makeing returns. After his talk he answering returns. After his talk he answerthe returns. After his talk he answerto a large number of question and
succeeded-in making the workings-ofthis new law clear to his audience. The Unitarian Men's club met last

"Enoch Arden," a beautiful film of he celebrated poem by Lord Alfred Cennyson, will be the feature picture at the "movies" this Saturday evening. A Weekly and a two-act comedy will

Death.

On Friday, January 5, occurred the death of Harry F. Whitney, a life-long resident of Harvard and without exception the ablest business man of the town. With his going the towns-people sincerely mourn the loss of one known to every farmer within a radius of twenty miles for his activitiy and ability.

ability.

Harry Fletcher Whitney was born on May 5, 1853, the second of the eight children of Samuel Fletcher Whitney and Sarah Gardner. His education was completed at the Lancaster and Groto

has enjoyed a remarkably active and healthy life and even when failing health confined him to his room he carried on his business with the ald of a telephone installed by his bedside. During his illness he received hosts of friends and acquaintances although he could not get out among them. For many years he had an office in Boston, and Since the age of fourteen years house. He was an active member of the Boston, stopping at the Quincy house. He was an active member of the Boston Fruit and Produce association, also of the New England Live Stock association of that city. After the death of his father, Samuel F. Whitney, he took over the family estate to a new home on that common, where he has since fived and where their two children were horn, Ralph Goddard, who died March 31, 1914, and Miss Ruth to Groten. The pupils of the high school and the seventh and eighth grades will give two of Dickens' plays in the town hall on.—Saturday evening. January 13, "Scenes from Pickwick" and "The Christmas carol." The pupils have two of Dickens' plays in the town hall on.—Saturday evening. January 13, "Scenes from Pickwick" and "The Christmas carol." The pupils have in the seventh and eighth grades will give two of Dickens' plays in the town hall on.—Saturday evening. January 13, "Scenes from Pickwick" and "The Christmas carol." The pupils have in the town hall on.—Saturday evening. January 13, "Scenes from Pickwick" and "The Christmas carol." The pupils have he sevening at the guint a great deal of work into the re-hearsals and judgar. by the names of those who are to repeat in the cast those who are to repeat in the cast these enterinment all be something worth listening to it is hoped there will be a crowded? Is see, one that will be a crowded? See, one that will

were horn, Ralph Goddard, who died March 21, 1914, and Miss Ruth Whitney. Mr. Whitney is survived by his two sisters, Mrs. Henry M. Kingman and Mrs. J. Dunlop Smith; his widow, Mrs. Hariet T. G. Whitney, and his daughter Ruth.

Mr. Whitney's business activity knew no restraint. Many days during the fruit season he would start out at 4.30 in the norming visiting the farmers in

fruit season he would start out at 4.30 in the morning visiting the farmers up through Northern Massachusetts, returning late at night, after covering sometimes a hundred miles of travel. Once every week he loaded a carload of, cattle for the Brighton market, his large cattle barns being the familiar trading grounds for the farmers from all the surrounding towns.

il the surrounding towns, He was a kind-hearted neighbor and a highly respected citizen who will be sincerely missed by his large circle of

friends.
Funeral services were from the home on Monday, January 8, at two p. m., Rev. H. C. Merrill, pastor of the Unitarian church, officiating. The Weber male quartet rendered the music for this service.

The Evangelical society of the marriage church held its annual meeting last Estabrook.

Tuesday afternoon with M. J. Powers as moderator. The following officers were elected: W. P. Farley, clerk; M. Louise Stratton, treas: Edson I. Hurd. William B. Simonds and W. P. Farley, standing committee.

The Congregational church met for its annual meeting in the Grange half on Thursday of last week. The morning was spent in greetings and after a bountiful dinner served by Mr. and Mrs. William B. Simonds, the members and friends gathered in the half and listened to words of welcome by and listened to words of welcome by the pastor, who gave Hebrews 12:1-2 as the watchword for the year, "Wherefore, seeing we also are com-passed about by so great a cloud of witnesses let us lay aside every weight

Owing to other social affairs the date for the play. The rose of Plymouth town, to be given by the Woman's club has been changed to Thursday evening, February I.

"How to get a job and how to keep it" is the title of a series of meetings to be given in Boston for the college preparatory and high school students which was organized this week by the Boston Y. M. C. U. Alcott Farrar Elevell of Harvard university is the head of the new course. Mr. Elevell is a nephew of Miss Emily E. Hidreth of this town and spends much of his summer months here.

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Gebo are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Levi Gebo are visiting based about by so great a cloud of without the sing state overy weight more anniversarios were freely given by all, and the sociability and general good cheer made this a most delight for Jesus, the author and finisher of our faith. After the roll call and the reports of the officers and auxiliaries of the church the following officers and auxiliaries of the church the following officers and auxiliaries of the church the following officers with Miss M. Louise Stratton, re-elected treas, with Miss M. Arvilla as assisting a nephew of Miss Emily E. Hidreth of this town and spends much of his summer months here.

On last Saturday evening the junior class of the high school gave their play, "Diamonds and hearts," which had been postponed from December 1 Seymour, of Danvers, both being form-

play, "Diamonds and hearts," which had been postponed from December 22, because of the storm. Those taking part in the play were Ernest Woodin, Myron Walsh, Raymond Lovejoy, Harland Muzzey, Misses Doris Lovejoy, Beryl Reed, Elizabeth Worcester, Helen Worcester, Hazel Lougee, Charles Keyes and Eyerett Wentworth. Misses Clara M. Smith and Hazel Marshall gave vocal solios, and Miss Hazel Lougee, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Merrill gave selections on the piano.

The teachers, Mr. Merrill and wife Misses Florence Ball, Hebert and An

Newton have all returned to nie B. New their duties: At the Sunday school a week ago At the Sunday school a week ago the following officers were elected:
Bert S. Brown, supt. Harold E. Hardy, asst. supt.; Hazel O. Marshall, sec. and treas; Mrs. M. J. Powers, supt. home dept.; Mrs. Robert M. French, Supt. primary dept.; Francis A. Lovejoy, Mrs. Nellie Lougee and Miss Hattie B. Hayden, directors.

Mr. and Mrs. George Hardy announce the engagement of their daughter, Grace C., to Earl Davis, of Keene, N. H. Miss Hardy has worked for some time in the wholesale of of W. L. Goodnew Co. Keene Davis is a clerk in a hardware store in Keene.

LUNENBURG

ews Items.

Boy Lionel A. Whiston occupied the pulpit in the Congregational church on last Sunday morning and gave a ery stirring sermon appropriate to he new year upon "forgetting the he new year upon "forgetting the hings that are behind and reaching into those that are before." At the unto those that are before." At the close of the sermon the communion service was observed in a very impressive manner. In the evening Mr. Whiston-conducted the Y-P-S. C. E. on the subject "Are we evading moral issues?" He treated the subject in so fine a manner and brought out so many good thoughts and new ideas many good thoughts and new ideas that everyone was interested, and many took part in the discussion upon "moral issues." This was the second time that Mr. Whiston, of Illinois, has preached here.

Rev. Alfred Noon, of the Methodis Rev. Alfred Noon, of the Methodist church, Twe one of his usual interesting and instructive sermons upon "A young king's request." The newly-elected officers of the Sunday school lowing the morning service last Sunday. In the evening, at the seven o'clock service, the officers of the Epworth league were installed.

completed at the Lancaster and Groton academies. He early engaged in the fruit and produce commission and live stock business and in which he continued to be actively engaged until his death on January 5.

Up to November, 1915, Mr. Whitney has enjoyed a remarkably active and healthy life and even when failing health confined him to his room he arried on his mixings with the aid of the eventh and subtract and according to the high school and according to the high school and of the eventh and subtract according to the high school and according to the first the Mr. and Mrs. George P. Grant, Jr

ahlon S. Heath

The funeral of who was killed in radical station of December 31, by was held in the Mod Wednesday after:
Alfred Noon contact the Middleboro Sunday evening, incomire truit, January 1 Kes "The Service Sen ting the service Miss Gladys San-The singing was by Miss Gladys Sanderson and Lewis I. Harrington who sang two selections beautifully. Thock of ages" and "Saved by grace." The bearers were sons and a son-in-tw and burial was in the North cemetery As Mrs. Heath was too feeble to attempt the journey here, a service was held in Middleboro on Tuesday and Mrs. Heath remained at home in the care of her two doubtlers on Well. The singing was by care of her two daughters on Wed

Sixtleth Wedding Anniversary.

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HOLLIS, N H.

News Items.

Walter Stickney, who has not been expected to live, is slowly improving.

Mrs. Eliza Twiss is recovering from a severe case of pneumonia.

The Evangelical society of the statistic marriage of Mr and Mrs. 2013. of the marriage of Mr and Mrs. Adin C.

A committee consisting of Mrs. S. U. McIntire, Mrs. J. W. Morsman and Miss Cora N. Richards took the matter in hand and arranged the details for a most successful and happy gathering, to which everybody was invited, and in which everyone in town was delighted to participate. delighted to participate. All were glad to unite in doing honor to a worthy couple who had traveled life's uneven couple who shad travered me a discretion of ups and downs, smiles and tears, for sixty years together.

Despite the unfavorable weather a

Despite the unfavorable weather a large number tendered their congratulations, bringing sifts both useful and beautiful, including money—which is

Callornia, and another by Martin A. Seymour, of Danvers, both being former residents of Lunenburg, and friends of Mr. and Mrs. Estabrook.

Lovejoy, Harland Muzzey, Misses Doris Lovejoy, Beryl Reed, Elizabeth Worcester, Helen Worcester, Hazel Lougee, Charles Keyes and Everett Wentworth Misses Clarn M. Smith and Hazel Marshall gave vocal solos, and Miss Hazel Lougee, Mr. and Mrs. Raymond Merrill gave selections on the plano, violin and mandolin.

At the communion service Sunday morning Mrs. Vera. S. Gould was received into the fellowship of the church upon confession of faith, and Mrs. Albert Wetmore by letter from the First Congregational church of Nashua, and Albert C. Wetmore from the Upper Wickam Baptist church Belyea Cove, N. B.

The Grange will hold its regular meeting on next Tuesday night.

Robert Bean has returned after spending his vacation with his father. The teachers, Mr. Merrill and wife.

Misses Florence Ball, Hebert and Anian C. Dickinson, Miss Anna C. Dickinson, Miss Mabel Allen, Misses Misses Misses Mabel Allen, Misses Misses Mises Misses Misses Misses Misses Misses Misses Dickinson, Miss Mubel Allen, Miss Anna C. Dickinson, Miss Mabel Allen Anna C. Dickinson, Miss Mabel Allen, Miss May V. Estabrook, Mrs. G. H. Whitcomb, Miss Lorraine Hayward and Masters Warren Barter. Ellsworth Wakefield and Courtland Whitney. It was voted by the club to contribute \$500 for the demonstration school to be held here on January 23 and 24 by the Workerter Farm Bu

> A very interesting resume of some new books, "The guiding hand," "The 13th commandment" and "The nest builder," was then given by Miss Helen Bangs of the Pitchburg public library.
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> Mrs. Alfred Noon will be in charge of the next meeting of the club which will be beld in the Methodist cheed. will be held in the Methodist chapel on January 19; subject, "turrent es-says." The club will give a play on Friday evening, February 23.

and 24 by the Worcester Farm Bu-

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We feel that too much praise cannot expressed for the prompt and splen-id service rendered by the Harvard ad Still River Firemen also, friends and neighbors, at our recent fire, and e wish to thank all who so kindly

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NOTICE. TOWN OF HARVARD

Caucus Call The Citizens of the Town of Harard are requested to meet in the

Saturday, January 20th, 1917, at 8 o'clock P. M.

for the purpose of nominating candidates for the Town Officers to be voted for at the annual town, election, Februar<u>y 5t</u>h, 1917.

JOHN E. MAYNARD.

CHARLES H. HASKELL,

PERLEY BEARD. Selectmen of Harvard. TOWN OF HARVARD

REGISTRARS NOTICE The Board of Registrars will be in ession for the registration of voters of

the following dates. Saturday, January 20th, 1917, fron 7.30 to 9 o'clock P. M. Saturday, January 27th, 1917, from 12 o'clock noon until 10 o'clock P. M.

JOHN E MAYNARD CHARLES H. HASKELL PERLEY BEARD JAMES L. WHITNEY Board of Registrals of Harrard

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-ETTS Middleson v. Finds to Carst To the devisers segment, and at-ther persons processed to the estate of GEORGHAW BROWN and on Av-

his official bond or to remain person. You are hereby evial to Probate Court to be being it in said County of Moidle twenty-ninth day of Moidle twenty-ninth day for the sibow cause, if any you the sime should not be k. And said petitioner is her to kive public notice that to kive public notice that the kind of the ke. iishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turnet's Public Spirit, a newspaper miblished in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing post-paid on delivering a copy of this citation to all devisies and legatees named in said with, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and siventeen.

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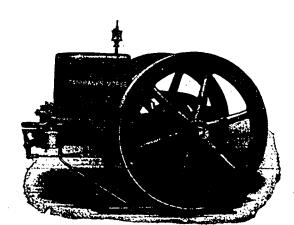
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PLUMBER

AYER, MASS.

The Oak Hill Improvement society are to hold a box party and dance at Oak hill hall on Monday evening.

On Thursday evening of last week at the I. O. O. F. hall Clifford Le Mahoney, grand master, of Ridgeley lodge, Worcester, and George L. Dolooff, grand marshal, of Paul Revere lodge, Somerville, paid Beacon lodge an official and-fraternal visit.—Therewas a meeting of about sixty-five members. The initiatory degree was workbers. The initiatory degree was work-ed_on_one candidate. After the business session adjournment was made to the barquet hall, where an oyster supper was served, followed by a smoke talk.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith announce Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith announce the engagement of their daughter, Mrss. Florence Elizabeth Smith; to Ralph Ceoli Robinson, both of Fitch. burs. Miss Florence has many relatives and friends in town, where she lived previous to accepting a position with the paper firm of Crocken, Burbank & Co. Mr. Robinson is also an expectage at these paper mills employee at these paper mills.

Charles E. Boynton is working in Hutchinson's store this week, in the absence of the proprietor.

Mrs. Susie W. Dort, district deputy president, with her suite, install—the officers for 1917 of the Middlesex Re-bekah lodge on Tuesday evening, Jan-

Mrs. Lucy B. Page returned last reck from spending the holidays with er daughter and family in Pawtucket,

Frank Hall, a former Pepperell boy, who has been in the employ of the Holbrook-Marshall Company, in Nashing for ten years, was among the Nashua, for ten years, was among the ewenty-six employees of the company o be presented on new year's day with a bank-book for a certain sum of money deposited in the City Guaranty Savings bank. The presentation was Savings bank. The presentation was made by E. D. Marshall in behalf of the firm, with the hope that the book might be retained and added to next

Several from town attended the Nashua poultry show which closed on Friday of last week. Charles Spaulding, of this town, was one of the exhibitors, winning first prize on White Lymouth Rock hen. John Duprey, the of the town, was awarded third. of this town, was awarded thir White Wyandot cockerel. on White Wyandot cockeres. Some Kerin exhibited a pen of Barred Plynouth Rocks, which attracted attention, as a card attached to the pentated that one hen, from October. 1815. to April, 1916, laid 134 eggs, and another hen 129 eggs.

Miss Fannie Shattuck was taken to the Robert Brigham hospital, Boston, on Friday of last week. Her brother, Euward Shattuck, came up from Bos-ton in a large limousine and Miss Sauttuck was well prepared for the ton in a large immusine and miss Sauttuck was well prepared for the journey, and was accompanied to Bos-ton by her niece, Mrs. Jacobs. Mr. Snattuck remained here over night to Shattuck remained here over hight colose the house temporarily. Since her accident on October 26 Miss Shattuck has been confined to her bed, but her general health has been so good that much is hoped for as the result of the X-ray examination and t.e.tment.

On Thursday-evening, January 4, a purty consisting of Chester and Charles Stineford, Joseph Shepard, members of the Manchester Unity, with two condidates for admission to the same, were taken to West Groton to attend to regular meeting of the lodge, being Charles and the Charles of the lodge, being Charles of the lodge, being Charles of the lodge of the lodge. The regular meeting of Acoma Re-neckah lodge was held on Tuesday even-tion a substitution of some of the re-cently elected officers, who declined to serve, being made. The installation

w.H probably occur at their next reg-ular meeting, January 23. Mrs Fred O Parker is entertaining

Mrs. Fred O Farmer is con-fice sixter. Eleanor Mason, of Groton, wing the absence of their mother, fred Eller Mason, in Springfield, with the other daughter, Mrs. Hartshorn, The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Grange will meet with Groton Grange of Thursday, January 18. Some of the pitrons of Present Grange are planning to attend, the officers for 1917 being installed by Charles M. Gardner, of Westfield, high priest of demeter of the National Grange. The afternious sossion is open to the public.

A delegation from Beacon lodge, I.

A delegation from Beacon lodge, I. O. F., including J. E. Andrews, D. Weston, E. F. Brown and L. A. Anson, went to Groton on Monday ecening to attend the installation of officers of the Groton lodge. They were carried over by Roy Sylvester in

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Supt. A. R. Paull was the speaker on Wednesday afternoon before the Woman's club of Groton at a meet-ing of the educational department.

man of the city, as real estate dealer, and was formerly a councilman there. He is a member of Pennichuck lodge, The mortgage foreclosure sale of the property of the Pepperell Shoe the property of the Pepperell Shoe company at East Village, advertised by E. L. Turner, of Boston, as assignee to take place on the premises at three to take place on the premises at three o'clock, December 30, 1916, did not materialize. An announcement was made to the few who assembled that and the mortgage had received amount the mortgage had received amount due on the plant and the auction was called off. It has been stated since on the coast of Maine. called off. It has been stated since then—that a party from out-of-town was present for the purpose of biddingon the shop for maunfacturing pur-poses, if it was a bona fide sale. Patrick Powers has been confined

o-his home on Mill street for a few days, from an injury to his foot re-ceived on Monday while working about he freight depot at Ayer.

Mrs. Ansel Shattuck and daughter, of Groton, called on their relative, and the audience were well rewarded.

Mrs. Sarah Patch, Nashua street, on Dr. Birney's address was worth going

At the Congregational church, commencing Sunday, January 14, a week of special evangelistic meetings will of special evangelistic meetings will be held. On Sunday the pastor will preach at the morning and evening service. The other preachers during the week will be Rev. J. S. Strong, of Ayer, on Monday evening; Rev. George W. How. Green Therefore, property. . Howe. Groton, Tuesday evening; ev. William H. Beers, Pepperell, Rev. William H. Beers, Pepperell, Wednesday evening; Rev. Robert M. French, Hollis, Thursday evening, and Rev. J. B. Kettle, Leominster, Friday evening. There will be good singing with some extra music each night, and a cordial invitation is extended to all to come and help be helped.

The Woman's Missionary meeting will be held at the parsonage on next Wednesday afternoon for further study of world's missions and world peace. Mrs. M. E. Letender is reported as aris. M. E. Letender is reported as gaining very slowly from her recent severe attack of a cold, pneumonia being at first feared. She has been very fortunate in having both her daughters with her, Mrs. Nye, from Leominster, and Mrs. Gelineau, from Brockton.

Percy J. Benedict, from North Brookfield, a former resident here, was in town last week, being sum moned to Groton by the death of his mother, Mrs. Margaret Benedict, who

hall on Thursday evening, January 4. A baked bean supper was served to about thirty members of the society, about seven o'clock, the committee of ladies in charge being Mrs. Rupert about seven o clock, the constraints addes in charge being Mrs. Rupert Blood. Mrs. M. E. Gaskill, Mrs. Carl Lawrence and Mrs. Eugene Fletcher. Following the supper there was roll call, about thirty members responding, and this was followed by the election of officers, resulting as follows: Rupert L. Blood, pres.; M. E. Gaskill, v. p.: Carl Lawrence, See.: Eugene Fletcher, treus.; Mrs. Etta B. Stewart and Lewis Parker on the board of directors; Jesse Shattuck, auditor.

Several patrons of Prescott Grange

Several patrons of Prescott Grange were planning to attend the installation of officers of Groton Grange on Tuesday evening, but were discouraged by the unpleasant weather. Walter Shattuck, master of this Grange, attended and a few others.

W. C. T. U. Reception.

Never was the day appointed for this annual holiday remembrance a finer one in point of weather than on Tue-day afternoon, when many mem-hers of the union and friends assemhers of the union and friends assembled at the town farm, carrying good cheer to all who live there. Seventeen were conveyed by E. S. Durant and many drove there or walked from nearby points, the fine, spring-like weather tempting many out. The rooms were well filled and never did these or the ones for whom the gathering was planned, present a more comfortable, happy appearance, everything throughout this town home bespeaking the excellent, systematic care Charles Gibson and family moved force last week from Malden, occupying one of the Parker tenements in East Village.

Mrs. L. A. Johnson and Mrs. James Dunn were Nashua shoppers on last Saturday and took in the reception held by the Larkin Company at Stearns' block, where they were having an exhibit of many of the better premiums. The reception was held from three to five refershments of ice cream and wafers given, and start, was made to secure a start was mad

Saturday and took in the reception held by the Larkin Company at Stearns' block, where they were having an exhibit of many of the better premiums. The reception was held from three to five, refreshments of ice cream and wafers given, and a free chance to secure a prize by guessing, both Pepperell ladies winning a prize.

A meeting of the 'Men's club of the First Parish church will be held in that vestry on Tuesday evening, Jonuary 16. Elmer S. Forbes of Boston, the social service secretary of the functional creaming of the was sung by all. Rev. W. H. Beers followed with remarks of the Unitarian association will give an address on "The yellow peril."

Another oak tree was cut from the grove on Charles Parker's place this grove on Charles Parker's place this

The Unitarian supper held at the vestry on Thursday evening of last week was well attended as usual and of the usual excellent quality. The

moved from Pepperell to Nashua several years ago, but they are still please.

The pastor, Rev. Mr. Beers, will preach at the Methodist church Sunday morning on the topic, "Walk and faint not." His evening subject will be "Doubt and perplexity." He will also be the leader at the Epworth League service. Subject, "Christian sitwardship." Sunday was an exhibitor at the Boston Poultry show this week, sending down six birds, White Plymouth Rocke. He was awarded first prize on a pullet; fourth prize on a pullet; f

on the coast of Maine:
Mr. and Mrs. Damon left on Wednesday for Daytona, Fla. where they will pass the next three months. The best wishes of their many friends here and in Nashua go with them.

Federation Service.

At the church federation service held on Sunday morning at the M. E. church the auditorium was well-filled pany miles to hear, as some of the people did. Direct and impressive in manner he had the undivided attention to the close and with only this brief insight his personality is so striking that it is easy to understand the wonderful hold which he has gained over the students who come under his teaching in his capacity dean of the Boston university, School of Theology.

In his sermon Dr. Birney's key

phers, mechanics versed thoroughly, from the material side of life. As Hackel, the German philosopher, when he spoke as such, he was an authority, but when he spoke in regard to the spiritual or religious, his opinions were practically of no value. He had not given them serious thought and study.

"Again, a great scientist, partially deaf, working over an experiment, heard the breaking of a test tube, although none of the men around him

heard the breaking of a test tube, although none of the men around him heard it at all. His ears were trained to watch for that. Yet so given was he to fits science that outsuic of this, his opinion was of little value.

"And yet we find men of this type sometimes writing in regard to religion. While in his special field of work he is an authority in religion he is

mother, Mrs. Margaret Benedict with property and a support of the san authority, in religion he is practically of no value. Let us take the annual meeting of the Oak Hill our values from men who have given the provement society was held at their themselves to serious thought and themselves to serious thought and study along the right line of work. While we can and must work with the material we cannot afford to neglect the spiritual. We are to see God about us in all nature. As the wireless is adjusted to catch the messence of must be adjusted to catch the messence of must be adjusted to catch the messence. sages, so must we adjust ourselves to ever catch the spiritual messages of God. This is to be done through pray-, study of the word, and then prac

er, study of the word, and then practicing it in our daily life. Surely He who created us can and will lead us not the greatest, if we put ourselves n his leading."

Following the service Dr. Birney kindly expressed himself as gratified by the size and interestedness of his audience. The music by a chorus that the direction of Mrs. choir was under the direction of Mrs. E. H. Bliss, who kindly undertook the same at the last moment, as the choraster, Mrs. Bartlett, was unavoidably absent: The anthem was—"Awake, cheerful heart," a duet being introduced, which was rendered by Mrs. Bliss and Mrs. Copp. and a short soprano solo, also by Mrs. Bliss. Following the prayer a contraito solo was rendered by Mrs. Copp. The hymns of the service were by choir and congregation, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. of the service were by choir and con-gregation, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Bliss from the Congregational choir.

Serious Operation.

Little Evelyn Maltman underwent a serious operation on Monday for a rouble arising from an abscess which trouble arising from an absecess which formed several weeks ago in the cavity over the eye. On Friday of last week Mrs. Maltman took her little daughter to the Memorial hospital. Nashua, where by the advice of Dr. Kittredge the X-ray was used. On Monday he operated at the same hospital removing a portion of bone from the cheek and another from the nose, the work being accomplished so wonderfully that no outward cutting of the work being accomplished so wonderfully that no outward cutting of
the face was necessary, so there will
be no scars on the face. The operation
of cutting into the cavity over the eye
was not attempted on Monday, as it
was regarded that the other operations which occupied two hours, were
all the child could undergo, but it is
board to eliminate the danger from hoped to eliminate the danger from the abscess there by the drainage sup-plied. The child cannot be said to be even comfortable as yet. Mrs. Malt-man has been with her every day to help her bear the suffering and every-thing seems to be working well in the

SATURDAY, JANUARY 13, 1917

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L. P. SHATTUCK, E. S. DURANT, Pepperell, January 10, 1917. - 2t19

POULTRY WANTED—Highest price for good poultry. Telephone 51-2, Pep-perell. DAVID SAPERSTAN. 4115. REPORT OF CONDITION of the First National Bank of Pepperell at Rast Pepperell in the State of Massa-chusetts, at the close of business on December 27, 1916.

Resources Loans and discounts \$127,656.41 Overdrafts unsecured 54.27 U.S. Bonds deposited to se-cure-ofrculation (par val Bonds other than
U. S. bonds
pledged to secure postal savcure postal savings deposits ... \$7,100.00
Securities other
than U. S. bonds
(not including
stocks) owned
unpledged ... 155,564.72 162 664.59
Stock of Federal iteserve
Bank (50 per cent of subscription) ... 1.800,00
Value of banking house (if
unencumbered) ... 13,825.00 unencumbered)
Furniture and fixtures
Net amount due from approved reserve agents in
other reserve cities

Redemption fund with U.S. Treasurer and due from U.S. Treasurer \$424,812.32 Linbifities

ing Dividends unpaid Individual deposits subject

Certificates of deposit
Other time deposits
Total of time deposits
\$97.554.75

State of Massachusetts, County of Mid-dlesex, ss. I, H. F. Tarbell, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. H. F. TARBELL, Cashier.

Subscribed and sworn to before me George G. Tarbell, Notary Public.

George G. 12.

Correct—Attest:
Charles H. Miller,
Arthur P. Wright,
T. F. Graham,
Director

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To all persons interested in the estate of JOHN B. JEWETT late of Pepperell in said County, deceased, Whereas, DAVID E. WESTON the ex-

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ented for allowance the first acte of his administration upon the
of said deceased.

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wen. And said exec**utor is** ordered to serv leviculor is ordered to serve on by delivering a copy therepartons interested in the essent days at least before said to publishing the same once week, for three successive Turners Public Spirit, a published in Ayer, the last in to be one day at least become, and by mailing, postops of this citation to all some interested in the estate at Past before said Court. Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, of said Court, this clevent and any in the year of our thousand nine hundred and

F. M. ESTY, Register. COMMONWIALTH OF MASSACHUCOMMONWIALTH OF MASSACHUTO all persons interested in the estate of WILLIAM H. MANSFIELD late
of Pepperell in said County, deceased.
Whereas FRANCIS G. HAYES the administrator with the will annexed of
the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the first account
of his administration upon the estate
of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a
Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge
in said County, on the fifth day of
February A. D. 1917, at nine oclock in
the forenoon, to show cause, if any
you have, why the same should not be
allowed.

in said County, on the fitth day of the bruary A. D. 1917. at fille o'clock in the forenoon to show cause. If any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourtier days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postipald, 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 eleventh day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

3:19 F. M. ESTY, Register.

Some kinds which have a & milky juice, like the popples and . # some others, as the dahlia, will 🛎 keep better if the tips of the \$ # stems are dipped in very hot # water before they are cared for # in the ordinary way. It is well # nigh impossible to have the ori- % ental ponnies hold up fresh with-

Popples should always be gathered in the bud just before they # 병 are ready to push through the 병 calyx. With kinds that last well 병 water it is desirable to renew & 12 the water often. Otherwise the # smell of decay at the base of # of the stems sometimes becomes offensive, which is not health-爱 ful.

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Try to Think of Nothing and Create a Mental Vacuum.

When insomnia is caused by some trilling or temporary disorder of mind or body it can usually be overcome by the track. There was fuming and ceasing to divagate, says a contributor to the New York Sun. So long as the mind chases itself from one subject to another, as a wakeful mind is apt to do in the dark and in silence; so long is it kept active by the very succession of different thoughts, and sleep refuses to come.

The thing to do is to concentrate the mind on the corner of the room or on anything else. A flock of sheep, the multiplication table or anything else will do. So will counting if the thought can be confined to the succession of numbers without straying away to other subjects while the counting goes on. as a nimble mind is likely to do.

The best of all things I ever found to concentrate on, however, is nothing. Let the sufferer try to form a mental concept of nothing as a start, with the purpose of fixing his mind on it. He will be surprised at first, if he has never tried it before to find that he cannot do it. Positively one cannot think of nothing as actually existing. Perhaps that is because it doesn't, if a bull is allowable.

But let him not be discouraged. Let him continue to try, and presently he will be so fascinated by the effort that he will still continue till he becomes fatigued and forgets that and everything else in a peaceful slumber.

CARE OF REFRIGERATORS.

Why They Should Be Kept Clean and

How to Do It. An insanitary refrigerator is dangerous because it means disease and per-

Keep the door closed; otherwise the temperature rises and the ice melts rapidly.

If the box is kept clean it is not nec essary to scald it out, but it is a wise precaution to do this occasionally. Remember that ice is more than apt to be dirty, so it is wise to watch the receptacle for the ice, that there be no leaves or anything collected there to decay or to clog the pipe. This pipe or the pan beneath should never be allowed to get slimy, as slime is a danger signal.

Once a week wash the walls, sides. shelves and every corner with cold water, borax and any sweet, pure soap, rinse with clear water, and wipe dry. The shelves may be taken out and scalded, but must be chilled and wiped dry before they are returned.

If anything is spilled, wipe it up at once, and be sure each day that there are no refuse bits of food lying about. It is best to keep everything covered It-is-imperative-that milk and butter should always be covered and if possible kept in a separate compartment.

Do not keep food too long, to spoil and sour, and thus scent up the ice-

How to Do Your Own Plumbing Without Calling an Expert. When the sink, bathtub or wash

bowl has become clogged one may casily remedy this instead of sending for the plumber. Take a piece of old garden bose the desired length, fit one end over the faucet and the other over the drain, so that no air escapes. Now turn on the water. The direct pressure will remove the obstruction within a few minutes.

Fighting a Railroad

By M. QUAD

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When the surveyors for the B. and B. railroad reached within a mile of the town of Scoville they were stopped by the owner of a farm, who threatened them with an action for trespass if they set foot on his land.

It was old Rausome who had lived on that farm since he was born and was now over sixty years old. Boy and man, he had been known as stingy and mean, and no one had ever dealt with him a second time. His wife was shout like him in her disagreeable way. The two seldom or never disagreed with each other, but they disagreed with everybody else.

wn.of_Scoville

veyors and the line was run, but that was only the beginning of the fight. It collected its forces and began the grading. Old John was out there with his gun and his wife was there with a club, but the lusty men laughed at them and carried them off the scene, and in a few weeks there was the hooting and tooting that the old couple dreaded to hear. They would not sell, and the railroad waited for them to

propose some sort of settlement.

There was a highway about a quarter of a mile to the south of the Ransome-farm, and the new railroad crossed it at a level. The soft earth was soon gullied out by the wheels of the he four inches above the surface. When old-John observed this he-yoked-up his oxen and hitched them to his wag on and went after a load of wood When he returned with it to the cross ing he stuck there. The oxen could not pull the wagon across the rails. The old man sat down to patiently wait for a train to come along. One appear ed in sight in about an hour and found its progress blocked. It took all the train hands and some of the passengers to boot to get that wagon acros threatening, but old John was very

formance once a day for a week. Then the railroad put down planks and the scheme was defeated: "Well, we'll have to try some other trick," said the old folks to each other. And as a result of their planning they went out at night with a big pail of soft soap and smeared the rails for a distance of thirty rods. The next train that came that way-did not whizz pastit stood still and whizzed, and it took

the best part of an hour and a parrel

quiet and calm. He repeated this per-

of sand to make the wheels go round again and have a grip on the rails. Old John was arrested for this sonpy trick, but they could prove nothing against him, and he was discharged from custody. After this a new attempt was made to bring about a settlement, but it was doomed to failure from the start. Then came another adventure. Old John cut the grass in his meadow, and while drawing it-to the barn to store away he drove across the track at a point on his own farm and a wheel somehow came off the vagon and dumped hay and vehicle in a grand heap. There was just time to get the oxen out of the way when a ocomotive of a freight train plunged into the mess. Hay and splinters flew over half the county, and the whole train was derailed at a cost of many

thousand dollars to the company. There were two lawsuits-begun-in mediately, one by the company to make the old man pay damages one by Old John to collect the worth of a wagon and a ton of hay. The railroad folks could not show any scheme on-his part and was the loser in its haps worse. See that yours is clean suit. A jury also held that an engineer who would slam bang into a load of hay in broad daylight should be held responsible, and Old John got about three times the value of the property destroyed.

> By and by when the pumpkin season had come old Mr. Ransome kindly permitted a passenger-train to-run into wagonload of them-that is, his oxen stopped to rest when the wagon wa halfway over the track. He was heard shouting at them at the top of his voice and seen to flourish his gad in an excited manner, but he was forced to escape to save his own life. Pieces of those pumpkins were picked up miles away, and a week after the wagor was wrecked again, and one of the oven was converted into fresh beef. Here was groundwork for another lawsuit, and the jury decided that any railroad that would strive to lessen the pumpkin crop ought to pay for it right smartiv.

It is very probable that the old couple might have returned to the soft soap trick if they had been given more time; but fate willed it otherwise They were coming home from a call on a-neighboring farm, and it was gusty, rainy night. As they approached the crossing they saw the light of a locomotive approaching, but deflantly kept on their way and were struck and hurled into a field and both instantly killed. No one in Scoville was mean enough to say they were glad of it, but the B. and B. railroad saw its chance and moved quickly. Before it could be sued by the heirs it went into court against itself and was legally permitted to settle the claim for \$5,000.

They say that the ghosts of old Ransome and his wife haunt the farm. The state of the state of the state of

State Income Tax

Do you understand the new state Income tax law! You are running ha risk of sovere penalties if vou disregard its provisions:

disregard its provisions.

In this column there will appear each week an article explaining the things you should know about it. These articles are written, under the discussion of the Tax Commissioner. Questions will be glady answered by mail or in this column it addressed to the State Income. Tax Attorney Enter House, Boston. If reply by mait is desired enclose postage. No attention will be paid to questions on any other subject. Mention newspaper in which you read this So far as possible the state with turnish speakers to explain this law to any organization on request. Save these articles for Inture reference.

JOSEPH E. PERRY, State Income Tax Attorney.

NOW IN EFFECT

(Seventh Article)

The Massachusetts Income Tax Law went into effect Jan. 1. 1917. Take

The town of Scoville wanted that railroad and wanted it built at once, but there was old John blocking the way and his old wife backing him up. It must cross his eighty acre farm to reach the town. The surveyors argued and coaxed, but it was of no use.

The railroad sinally guarded its surveyors and the line was run but that this is mercly a skeleton outline. that this is merely a skeleton outline and should be supplemented by more detailed information. Such information may be obtained from the taxreturn blanks and the instructions thereon, or from Bulletin No. 1, issued by this Department, or by conference with the State Officials.

SUMMARY.

A. (Sec. 2-4).

Tax of SIX PER CENT of the inpme (in form of interest or divilends) from certain intangibles cluding transferable shares in partnerships, associations-and trusts.

B. (Sec. 5). Tax of ONE AND ONE-HALF PER CENT of income from annuities. Note that some pensions and some insurances "annuities" are taxable un der this, and some are not

C. (Sec. 5.)
Tax of THREE PER CENT of excess of gains over losses from purchase or sale of intangibles (as, for instance, securities, whether "taxables", or "non-taxables").

D. (Sec. 5-7) TEN

Tax (ONE AND ONE-HALF PER
CENT of income from salaries, business, and professional income, in exess of \$2,000 (with possible further exemption for wife or husband (\$500), children under eighteen (\$250 each) and dependent parents (\$250 each) but not exceeding \$3000 in all.) Thus, a person receiving \$3,500 and entitled to \$2750 exemption would pay on \$750 (i. e. \$11.25 tax) and not on the tire \$3500.

Many deductions are allowed so as to reach NET rather than GROSS income. EXEMPTIONS:

Under A and B .- \$300 exempted if total income from all sources is not over \$600.

Under C.-No exemption

Under D.—First \$2000 of income exempted. Note particularly that the \$2000 exemption applies ONLY TO D. DEDUCTIONS:

Under A.—Certain interest pay-ments. Under B .- None.

Under C.—Brokerage charges and stamp taxes.
Under D.—Business expense, depreciation, losses, etc., etc., etc., RETURNS REQUIRED:

Under A. B. & C.—Return are required if any taxable income has been received, NO MATTER HOW.

Under D.-Returns required if gross income exceeds \$20.0. MOREOVER, returns are required if the gross income from ALL sources exceeds \$2000, even

though no tax be payable.

RETURNS ARE COMPULSORY,
and must be filed on or before March 1, 1917, showing income

actually received during calendar year 1916. LAW APPLIES to all inhabitants. of Massachusetts between Jan. 1, 1917 and June 30, 1917, inclusive —also to partnerships, firms, associations, trusts, executors, administrators, trustees, guardians, conservators, receivers, assignees, OT 2A bre-sad AS TO TAIN INFORMATION, it applies

to employers, foreign corporations and others. ALSO-on or before May 15, 1917, make return to your local city or town assessors showing your real estate and TANGIBLE personal

property only.

WHY NOT?
Why not start NOW to keep your cash account on other books so that you can compute next year's tax with-

out difficulty? WHO NEED NOT MAKE RETURNS ANOTHER TEST.

Do You Come Within Either of the Following Classes?

1. Did you receive during 1916 any income (however small) from (1) Stocks (except Mass. Corporations).

(2) Bonds (except U. S. Govt. and EXEMPT Mass. State or Municipal issues), (3) Interest (except from Savings Banks in Mass., and Mass., Mortgages), (4) Annuities, (5) Profits from sales of stocks, bonds, or other Intangible personal property; OR

2. Did your total gross income from all sources EXCEED \$2,000 for the calendar year 1916 (even though t may be all from exempt sources)? UNLESS YOU CAN ANSWER BOTH THE ABOVE QUESTIONS IN THE NEGATIVE YOU MUST FILE /A

RETURN YOU CANNOT AFFORD TO RISK THE SEVERE PENALTIES PRO-VIDED FOR FAILURE TO FILE A: RETURN ON OR BEFORE MARCH

Blanks for Returns may be obtained from the Income Tax Assessor of your District or from the Income Tax Deputy, State House, Boston.

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