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the Littleton church on exchange.

The floral decorations at the Unitarian church for the month of June are in charge of Miss E. M. Farrar and have attracted well merited commendation each Sunday for their artistic arrangement. The last Sunday in June will be observed this year as Flower Sunday or Children's Sunday with the christening and presentation of children at the morning service and with recitations and songs by the older children at the Sunday school service. News Items.

The Baccalaureate service for the members of the high school will be held at the Unitarian church Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The resident ministers of the town will conduct the service and the baccalaureate sermon will be preached by Rev. O. J. Fairfield, the pastor of the church. This is a union service for all our citizens interested in the graduating class and all are invited.

Rev. Charles B. Ames. minister of service.

E. A. Flagg took two Littleton men.
L. A. Hager and G. W. Whitcomb, and
one Groton friend, Frank Woods to
Brattleboro. Vt., to the quality cattle
sale in which Mr. Flagg sold a cow
and calf. The party went Tuesday
and returned Thursday. J. H. D.
Whitcomb, who also had some of his
herd in the sale was in Brattleboro
several days this week.

An informal reception commemor-An informal reception commemorating the marriage of Miss Gertrude M. Johnson and William L. Perry was recently tendered by their friends in Banquet hall of Orient Heights Yacht club, Orient Heights, East Boston.

Rev. Charles B. Ames, minister of the old First church of Christ, of Gro-ton, will be the preacher at the Uni-tarian church Sunday morning in ex-change with Rev. O. J. Fairfield. Rev.

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Mr. Ames recently came to the pastorate of the Unitarian church in Groton and this will be his first visit to the Littleton church on exchange.

Miss Olive Flagg will take her degree from the New England Conservatory of Music next week. The E. A. Flagg family will be represented at the graduation.

Miss Laurice Flagg returns from college studies at Brown University

Comiskey, jr., who

closed his college year at Boston University and visited his aunt, Mrs. (

A. Hartwell, last week, has joined the

Miss Olive Flazg, Mrs. P. S. Whit-comb, Mrs. J. H. D. Whitcomb and Miss Marion L. Whitcomb attended the

The Newton and sales (wells a nor ber, met with Mrs. Ivo Hussell We nesday, and med a branch religious of Machine rest at enthusiasm were in infested.

The Hasters of the Will most of Monday, June 16 at the Reshor hast library at two colock and go to 3 miles residence, what Mr. Whiteom's \$1 join the party of visit to place of interest of the Wist comb farm and educating mod. All interested pe poor its marked.

A brilliant social function to kiple Wednesday after, or at the residence of G. H. Berker, King street, when Mrs. Barker give an afternion to a thonor of her deaghter. Mrs. George N. Barker. About fifty ladies were present, including the neighbors and a few of Liout. Barker's special friends.

ent, including the prichlors and a low of Lieut Barker's special friends. Mrs. H. F. Proctor and Mrs. William Channing Brown poured. A very pleas ant co-includent was the recept of Z cable message from Lieut G. X. Berk er shortly before the reception an nouncing that he was in Queenslowingell and safe.

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WESTFORD

Center.

The mails close at seven in the morning, at noon and at five in the afternoon, instead of fifteen minutes earlier for each of these mails, as Mr. Balch, the new messenger, uses his auto and is able to make better time.

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Capt. Sherman H. Fletcher, Qtm.
Sergt. John Feeney, Wayland F. Balch,
Frank W. Bannister and Alonzo H.
Sutherland were the delegation from
Westford representing Troop F. Cavalry association at the funeral of Capt.
H. W. Wilson in Carlisle last Saturday.
Mr. Sutherland took the party in his
automobile. The floral tribute from
this organization was a beautiful
standing wreath of white carnations
and yellow marguerites. Capt. and
Mrs. S. H. Fletcher also sent beautiful
flowers. Judge Frederic A. Fisher, of
Lowell, was also among those present
at the services.

At a meeting of the executive committee of the Alumni association of Westford academy, held on June 5, it was voted, for various reasons, not to have the usual alumni dinner at the have the usual alumni dipner at the close of the graduation exercises on June 20, and notice to that effect be given in the papers. There will be a meeting of the association for the election of officers and for the transaction of such other business as may come before the meeting immediately after the graduating exercises. Owing to the unusual conditions this year it seemed best by the executive committee to sacrifice this feature of graduating itme, although we understand ing time, although we understand there will be the usual dinner for the

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graduating class and their parents.

Miss Emma J. Stevens, of Mountain
View, Cal., is visiting in the east and renewing Westford associations. It is eight years since Miss Stevens' last trip across the continent. Westford seems most attractive to her and she is impressed particularly in this leafy month of June of the increased growth of the trees on the common and the formal that the association building on the Boston road Friday evening, June 15, to wote on admission of new members and transact other business.

Amos Polley on the Prairie farm motatoes on June 7. The Old

A group of young people entertained by Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Hartford for over the week-end and holiday are Misses Hazel B. Hartford of Boston. Irene Munson of Malden and Grace Leavitt. of Melrose; also, Wesley Hawkes, Harold Newman and Elmer Brown, all of Melrose. Brown, all of Melrose.

ents in Brockton.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wheeler entertained a group of relatives on Friday of this week, Mr. and Mrs. Albert R. Field of Taunton, Mrs. J. E. Bassett of Bridgewater and Miss E. W. Palne of Providence, the latter remaining for a longer stay in Westford.

Sunday will be children's day at the Congregational church and the children are rehearsing for a most attractive program.

turned with them to Newtonville for a stay of two or three days.

There was a well attended meeting of the Red Cross workers Tuesday atof the Red Cross workers tuesday afternoon, eighteen being at work on surgical dressings, sewing and knitting. Our two Californian visitors, Miss Stevens, of Mointain View, and Mrs. Greichen Kebler Sargent, of Fresno, were among the besy workers.

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This demonstration should be of the greatest practical value to every house-wife and home-worker this year, of all others, and everyone is heartily mrs. John Sullivan, Son of Mr. and all others, and everyone is heartily mrs. John Sullivan, Joseph Sullivan invited to come and look on and learn telegraph operator here and Kaiph greatest practical value to every house-wife and home-worker this year, of all others, and everyone is heartily invited to come and look on and learn low to conserve this year's food pro-

The Westford A. A. have not taken definite steps for the formation of a ball team for the season. The sentinent seems to be to give assistance with any surplus funds to the Red ross or to other organizations in this

Mr. and Mrs. Abiel J. Abbot returned this week from an extended trip of several months, including Australia and many other interesting points.

Mrs. O. V. Wells entertained a group of friends at luncheon and to spend the afternoon on last week Thursday. Mr. and Mrs. Preston H. Skidmore are at their summer home for the sea-

About Town.

Past lecturers' night was observed at the Grange last week Thursday evening. The program consisted of plano duets by Marion and Mildred Fletcher; readings and recitations, Alice and Frances Wright, Mrs. Joseph E. Knight; solos, Frank T. Johnson, Charles Robey; quartet, the Misses Osborne, Grant, Dunn, Denfield. The Grange voted itself \$100 worth of patriotism. The next meeting, June 21, will be in charge of W. R. Taylor and Elizabeth Taylor.

and Elizabeth Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Tallent are visiting their daughter, Mrs. W. J. Parfitt, Oak hill. For several years they have been living in Missouri. They report no rain there for four months. To advantage, we feel that we could move some of our weather down there. Mr. Tallent is a brother of the late Eben Tallent, who owned the farm on the Stony Brook road now owned by W. R. Taylor.

Crows are nulling corn on the Parisis.

Crows are pulling corn on the Prairie and Old Oaken Bucket farms that measure nine inches in height. This seems like a tall story, but if there are any doubters the writer has the goods in his possession. Treating corn with coal tar or kerosene before planting to pretent pulling the salest as with coal tar or kerosene before planting to prevent pulling has about as
much effect as to treat yourself to
lemonade. The facts are that the crow
feels the high cost of living and it will
take something stronger than tar or
kerosene to make him let go his hold.

Daniel H. Sheehan has received a

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Mr. and Mrs. Auryansen and Miss Nickerson, of Newtonville, were guests at the Congregational parsonage the first of the week and Mrs. Lincoln returned with them to Newtonville for a stay of two or there.

Blodgett Brothers, Milestone hill, have planted seven acres of corn for husking and a large acreage for the silo. The Drew-Read form on Main street and Francis hill have planted a similar amount, and there is a ten-dency everywhere towards "corn on the brain" and it is about time if we expect to maintain chickens on the roost this winter.

Miss Emily F. Fletcher has received a letter from State Ornathologist Forbush asking if birds in this locality had suffered from the cold, wet spring. In some places birds have been found dead, apparently from cold and hunger, although our local bird students do not note these conditions here. One busy farmer reports one pleasant day having three of the brilliant scarlet tanagers visible at one time in the field where he was at work.

Quite a number from Westford were in attendance at either the morning or those who saw it.

Quite long the blay workers.

As agitation agent of the farm burreau let us not become slackers too soon in planting. Not too late yet this backward spring to plantic orn, potatics, beans and buckwheat. Corn was june 28 with good results; potatoes were planted in twom last year as late as June 28 with good results; potatoes planted in twenty bushels to one of planting. Besides, President Wilson has sent another letter to the farmers inging the emergency of the food situation. Much is urged about buying a liberty tood, which is as valueless without another letter to the farmers in flowell on Wednesday. The portale in the morning by those who saw it.

Was considered especially good.

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Esty, also an operator and who has been in France since the outbreak of

journeyed to Harvard on Wednesday June 6, and were defeated by Brom-field school 8-7. Through some misunderstanding the visitors were no misunderstanding the visitors were not expected, but the game was quickly arranged. Walter Fletcher drove the team and many others in his auto truck. Others from here enjoyed the hospitality of Miss Eleanor Coburn, who took several of her classmates in the automobile.

Next Sunday will be the last day of Sunday school until September. Rev. W. M. Ford is making, arrangements to hold the Sunday school picnic shortly.

A daughter was born Saturday, June 9, to Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Connell.
Mr. and Mrs. Forest Andrews and little son Charles have returned to their home in Nashua, N. H., after an enjoyable visit at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Blodgett of the Ridges. gett of the Ridges.

Mrs. P. J. O'Hara and two children, Kathleen and Jennier of New-York are spending two weeks' vacation the home of Mrs. Jane Dare.

Miss Elizabeth Spinner is confined to her home with a severe cold. Herbert Smith of New Jersey is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. Smith for a short time.

George Wilson and another young man representing the Boy Scouts succeeded in securing subscriptions for Liberty bonds. Both young men worked hard and late in the interests of Uncle Sam.

Miss Theresa V. Lowther was able to be out of doors Saturday for the first time in many weeks, owing to an attack of tonsilitis that poisoned her One of the most wonderful collec-

One of the most wonderful collections of tulips throughout the village was to be seen at the residence of John Brown, where every known color was to be found. Some of the blooms were nearly two feet high. The owner, who is an amateur of no mean ability, has also a fine collection of flowers and vegetables that afford much pleasure to massershy as well as the owner. to passersby as well as the owner. Frank Bennett of Worcester visited his father, Alvin S. Bennett, the first of the week.

Mrs. Frank Bose returned to her home in Belmont after a few days' visit the last of the week at the home of her sister, Miss Abbie Splaine.

Graniteville.

Anna Forsan, the little three year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Anthony Forsan, died after a brief illness at her home here on last Saturday morning, June 9. The funeral took place on Sunday afternoon. Burial was in St. Catherine's cemetery.

Mrs. Elmer P. Hersey of Dorchester, formerly known as Miss Engla Mattson, is ill at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Mattson in West Graniteville.

A grand patriotic concert under the uspices of the Graniteville Auxililary of the American Red Cross society teld in the M. E. church on Thursday evening, was largely attended and proved to be a success in every way. Quite a neat sum was realized.

Many people from this village attended the flag raising and parade that was held in North Chelmsford on last Saturday afternoon. W. O. Hawkes, a G. A. R. veteran of this village, rode in a carriage with the other veterans as one of the guests of honor on this occasion. onor on this occasion.

The members of Cameron circle, C. of A., held a well attended and interesting meeting in their rooms on Tuesday night. Much business of importance was transacted and during the session the report of the delegates

the session the report of the delegates who attended the convention in Boston recently was given.

Edward Camey, treasurer of the Lowell Institution for Savings, visited the Abbot Worsted mills and Sargent's machine shop this week for the purpose of getting subscriptions for the new Liberty bonds. Mr. Carney was very successful, for many people did their bit by purchasing those bonds.

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in said County, on the twentieth day
of June A.D. 1917, at nine o'elock in the
forenoon, to show cause if any you
have, why the same should not be allowed.

machine shop this week for the purpose of getting subscriptions for the new Liberty bonds. Mr. Carney was very successful, for many people did their bit by purchasing those bonds. Several recruiting officers from Lowell were in town this week and secured many volunteers for enlistment in the 6th regiment.

The members of the local Rcd Crossmet in their rooms here on Wednesday afternoon at the usual hour. This auxiliary is doing a great amount of good and are now getting the young women interested in the roble cause. The Ladies' Aid society of the M. Echurch met with Mrs. Frank Caunter on Thursday afternoon.

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TOWN OF AYER BY-LAW

I, Guy B. Remick, Town Clerk, certiy that the following is a copy of the by-law adopted at the annual town meeting of the Town of Ayer held Febmary 5, 1917:

"Section 1. There shall be an Advisory Committee consisting of three voters of the town, appointed by the Selectmen, as hereinafter provided, no one of whom shall be a town officer elected by ballot or an appointed official receiving a salary, which committee may consider any or all municipal questions for the purpose of making reports or recommendations to the town.

"Sec. 2.- Said Advisory Committee shall examine all articles in all warrants calling for expenditure of money and recommend amounts to be appropriated for the ex-penditures of the town.

"Sec. 3. Said committee shall, when practicable, publish their recommendations in at least one newspaper published in the town at least three days before each meeting, and in every case shall report in writing their findings and recommendations at each and and recommendations at each and every town meeting.

"Sec. 4. Upon the approval of this by-law by the Attorney-General the Selectmen shall appoint said committee as follows: one member of said committee, who shall act as such member of said committee until the first meeting of the Selectmen after the next annual town meeting; one member of said committee, who shall act as such member until the first meeting of the Selectmen after the act as such member until the first meeting of the Selectmen after the second annual town meeting thereafter; one member of said committee, who shall act as such member until the first meeting of the Selectmen after the third annual town meeting thereafter. Upon the expiration of the term of office of each member the Selectmen shall then appoint a successor to serve as a member of said committee for the term of three years. Upon the becurrence of any other vacancy the Selectmen shall appoint a successor, who shall serve during the said unexpired term.

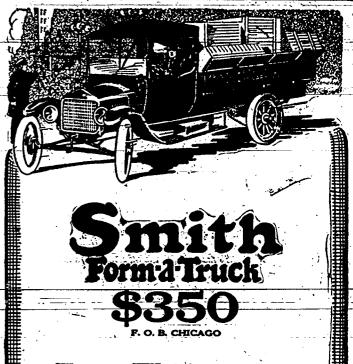
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"Sec. 5. (Signed) GUY B. REMICK.



The foregoing by-laws are hereby approved, with the exception of sec tion 5, which is disapproved. (Signed)

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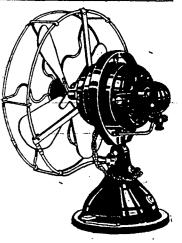
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SHIRLEY

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Fitchburg, Monday afternoon, followed by a supper and social in the evening. At the business session reports of the Montage of

All' the teachers of the public schools of Shirley have signified their intention to return in the full at the opening of the schools. The teachers are Mrs. Annie P. Collins, Miss Nellief M. McNiff, Miss Lura A. White, Miss Sarah Ross and Miss Grace Read.

The Church Debt society of St. Anthony's church held its regular meeting last Tuesday evening with Mrs. Joseph C. Provost. A goodly number was present. The evening was devoted to Red Cross work and much interest was shown. Refreshments were served at the close of the meeting.

Mrs. Katherine C. Fernald has re turned to her home on Front street. Rev. F. K. Dillingham, of Bridge port, Conn., will occupy the pulpit of the 'Universalist church on Sunday morning at eleven o'clock.

Mrs. David L. Lindenberg will give a talk this Saturday afternoon at 2.30 in the grammar school. Subject, "The elimination of waste and what to do with left cores"." to do with left-overs." It is hoped a large number will attend these talks and demonstrations, as Mrs. Lindenberg gives her time in the hope that many will be benefitted...

In the recent examinations of the divinity school of Harvard university the pastor of the Congregational church was successful in passing the written and oral examinations for the Master of Theology degree. This means that at the commencement exercises on June 21; Mr. Corley will receive the degree which is given by the university upon the vote of the faculty of the divinity school, and is the highest degree except the Doctor's, given by the university. Mr. Corley has also been the recipient recently of two honors at the hands of his fellow students. When the election of a marshal for the school was held Mr. Corley was unanimously thosen to act at commencement and has since been elected president of the Divinity club for the school year next ensuing.

Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman organized this wash Feldon.

Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman organized this week Friday a branch of the surgical dressings class of the Special. Aid. Mrs. Arthur H. Pray will have charge of the work. Mrs. Thomas E. Lilly is the chairman of the work.

The public library has received from the state library commission a num-ber of books in the Lithuanian language to be loaned to all who desire

Rev. Douglas H. Corley will occupy his pulpit at the Congregational church Sunday morning at 10,45; subject, "Mystery of pain." Regular praise service with sermon by the pastor, in the vestry at 6.30.

The Sportsmen's club of Fitchburg placed 1000° white perch in Shirley reservoir on Tuesday.

Virginia Comoa and Israel Leo Devarney of this town were married at the Pilgrim church parsonage. Leominster, last Saturday, by Rev. J. B. Kettle.

About fifty from this town attended the mass meeting held in the town hall in Ayer last Tuesday, to hear the speakers from Boston in regard to plans for the betterment of camp life for the soldiers.

The first open-air concert of the season will be held on next Tuesday evening by the Ayer and Shirley con-solidated band at the Railroad square

Mrs. Julius C. Holden, of Mansfield, was a guest this week at the home of Mrs. Inez F. Sawyer.

Mrs. George S. Wells entertained this week her uncle, Joseph Colby, and his son and wife, Dr. and Mrs. B. D. Cotby, of Sudbury, Vt.

Mr. and Mrs. John C. Babb are visiting Mr. Babb's sister, Mrs. John Shattuck, of Hudson, N. H.

Mrs. David L. Lindenberg is enter taining her cousin, Mrs. Warren Breed, Word has been received here of the

birth of a daughter to Rev. and Mrs. C. A. Knickerbocker, of Reading, Pa. Mr. Knickerbocker will be remembered as a former pastor of the Universa-list church.

ed the Crandall-Fletcher wedding and Center. reception in Ayer were Mr. and Mrs. C. R. White and daughter Doris, Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman, Earl C. Merriman and Mrs. P. J. Authier.

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At the close of the meeting of Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge last week Friday evening the following patriotic program was givene.—Readings. Miss Altie Howe: "Daddy's flag and my lag," Master Richard Lilly: "Old Glory or the banner Betsey made." Mrs. Lydia R. Binney: "Glory," Mrs. Jonnie S. Knowles; William Jubb gave readings and personal experiences of the civil war; song. "America," by all. The Stars and Stripes were discivil war; song. "America," by The Stars and Stripes were disall. The Stars and Stripes were dis-played at all points of vantage in the lodge room. Through the courtesy of the committee, Mrs. Ella F. Lawrence, Mrs. Letitia Mudgett and Miss Rena Churchill, ice cream and cake were served. There was a large attendance of members and several visitors pres-

on, having finished a two-year course n pattern making.

Daniel Credit, Jr., who has been orking for the Fitchburg Machine o., has given up his position and re-Co. has given up his position and re-urned to Shirley and bought out his father's business. His father will work for his son most of the time.

About thirty Odd Fellows of Fre-dontan lodge, I. O. O. F., and twenty. Rebekahs from Mary A. Livermore lodge observed memorial day last Sun-day at the Congregational church. A most excellent address was given by the pastor, Rev. Douglas H. Corley. At the close of the service members of both lodges marched in a body to the village cemetery and decorated the graves of deceased members.

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At the meeting of the Special Ald society held on last week Friday afternoon the president, Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman, presided. The various committees gave their reports of the work to date. Dr. Lilly spoke of the needs of equipment for emergency work, especially the need of a stretcher, an accident room and a Red Cross emergency kit. The sum of nineteen dollars was received from the Matrons Ald society and the Girls Sewing guild of the Center. The vestry of the Congregational church was tendered the society for its use during the summer.

Mrs. Nelle Ford has returned to

Mrs. Nellie Ford has returned to the home of her sister, Mrs. John H. Logue, after an absence of nearly a year. Mrs. Ford left town last July for the home of her daughter. Mrs. Frank Lee, in Everett, where she experienced a most serious operation. With the best of surgical skill and expert nursing she has passed the convalescent period and on Monday resumed her duttes in the warping department of the President Suspender Company.

Mr. and Mrs. Morris Cutler attended the wedding of Max. Fisher to Miss Ruth Silverstein at the Jewish syna-gogue in Fitchburg last Sunday.

Graduation Exercises.

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The grammar school held graduation exercises this week Friday aftermoon in Odd Fellows' hall. The decorations consisted of mountain, laurel and wild foliage. The class colors, green and white, were in evidence, and the class flower, lillies-of-the-vallel, were a pronounced feature of the floral effect. A large number of visitions were—present. The graduating class presented their teacher, Mrs. Anniver P. Collins, with a handsome patch work quilt which they had made. Another pleasing incident of the occasion was the presentation to the seventh and eighth grades of a statue.

The following incident of the occasion was the presentation. The statue was appropriate to the class motto, "No victory without labor."

The following program was given freeling song, chorus; invocation, Rev. Douglas H. Corley; address of welcome, Kathleen Miner: "Soldiers of the soil," Clyde Graves; "Spring sons." girls' chorus; 'The Russian sitted of the soil, "Clyde Graves; "Spring invitation, "Schorus; The Russian sitted of the soil," Clyde Graves; "Spring invitation, "Chorus, a brief address was given by Dr. Lally, chair-man of the school committee.

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on Saturday for her vacation.

A community lending library, known as the Shirley Center Lending library, has been opened in the vestibile of the First Parish church. There is a good collection of books, many of which are quite recent. The library will be open on Wednesday afternoons and Sunday mornings. The books are loaned free of charge and all who are interested are invited to avail themselves of this opportunity to read some excellent books.

Mr. Spear of Revere, who last sum-

The next meeting of the Grange occurs on Tuesday evening, June 19, and will be "Children's night." This meeting is in charge of the literary committee, Henry F. Grout, Mrs. Josie Dunn and Mrs. Bessie Euxton.

Mrs. A. S. Burnham and family have closed up their summer home in Woodsville for a short time and returned to their home in Revere.

"Caliban." Percy Mackaye's great maskue, which has been so widely advertised, is to be given in the Harvard Stadium in Cambridge every evening from June 28 to July 2, excepting Sundays. The proceeds are to be given for the use of the ited those and the reserve officers' training corps.

It is reported that the Mary Anna home may possibly be used as an emergency hospital in connection with the new training camp.

N. R. Graves has purchased a light ford truck for use in his milk business,

Death.

John Farmer passed away last week
Thursday at his home in Woodsville
at the age of sixty-three years. He
was the son of Markaret E. and Thomas Farmer, and was one of a large
family. Ho was borp in the house at
Woodsville which he occupied at the
time of his death, and had lived there
lines of his death, and had lived there
all his life. Mr. Farmer had been in
poor health for the past fifteen years,
and died from a paralytic shock. During his last-illness his niece. Mrs. W.
H. Miner, of South Weynouth, had
been caring for him.

The deceased leaves a sister, Mrs.
Augusta Harrington, of West Groton,
and a number of nephews and nieces,
among whom is George H. Farmer, of
Woodsville, who has made his home
with his uncle.

We Farmer was the only skilled

Center.

Miss Sybil Storer, who has been staying with Mrs Ralph Evans, has gone to Oak Bluffs for the summer.

Miss Ruth E. Clark, of North Leominster, has been spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves

Miss Grace Reed, of Lowell, has been re-elected to take charge of the Center primary school next year.

Miss Vera Bradford, who is teaching school in Bath, Me. is expected home on Saturday for her vacation.

American flag."

The Parker house, recently tented by Mrs. Bridget Nowell, of Quincy, it is now understood, will not be opened to summer guests this season.

Miss Carrie Shattuck, who has been teaching in Laconia, N. H., came home last Saturday for the summer vacuation.

Rev. E. M. Sheembe, and family.

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Mrs. H. L. Nutting, secretary, and John Pierce, treas. The new regular meeting will be held on Westershay at the home of Mrs. In June 20, at the home-Goff, Pleasant street, at requested to bring

Committat-Service.-

on Saturday from Car of ar the family lot in Walton Tuesday afternoon of n charge of R. H. Bloom was read by Rev. W. ii. linear, who also offered prayer and the analy is laid to rest beside her parents. Her brother, Harry J. Bear. of Boston, was present, also, her aunt. Mrs. Sarah J. Baker, and cousin, Mrs. Frank Juneson, and Mr. Jameson, from Milford. N. H., also an aunt, Mrs. Austin Saunders, of this town, and several triends of the family in past years. There were several floral pieces, among them a large and very beautiful pillow from was read by Rev. W. H. Ling large and very beautiful pillow from at Regina, where her death occurred procured for them here, by request A letter from the matron at the hospital stated that the deceased

itary hospital at Regina, Saskatchewan for some time preciding har
lilness from pneumonat tabercular
trouble resulting finally in her death.
The letter also stated that the deceased
made certain requests, among them
that the casket should not be opened
at time of public burial. The request
was respected, although the casket was
opened by Mr. Blood at his indertaking rooms for the immediate relaing rooms for the immediate rela-

Class Day Exercises.

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Mrs. Littletin, Blank Rena (acks were derviced). There was a large attendance of members and several visitors present of the summer, occupying the residence of Frank W. Shell, Center road. Their swell also books.

Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Allen, of Browk. Blank Rena and Mrs. Shell, Center road. Their swell also books.

Mr. and Mrs. Dam. B. Somes and dwo half of the home of the parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roan. B. Somes and the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Roan. B. Somes and Mrs. Roan. B.

requested to bring dineedles or crochet hook

A committal service to: Edna J. Bean, whose to the

among whom is George H. Farmer, of Woodsville, who has made his home with his uncle.

I Mr. Farmer was the only skilled basket maker in Shirley. He learned the trade at the age of fifteen and worked at it all his life; and throughout the same basket shop—that which formerly belonged to the late Edwin builte, and is now owned by Mr. Phelps, of Ayer. Mr. Farmer was an honest and upright man, and a good a neighbor, and his loss will be sincerely felt in the community.

The funeral was held on last Saturady afternoon at his late home, Rev. J. W. Thomas, of Ayer, officiating. In the Center cemetery.

PEPPERELL

The members of the South street Sunday school, to the number of about thirty with four of the Groton School students and two young ladies, enjoyed a gents and two young ladies, enjoyed a girler in the grove at Kemp's mill, near Shirley street. The warm weath of the Groton School students and two young ladies, enjoyed a girler in the grove at Kemp's mill, near Shirley street. The warm weath of the Groton School students and two young ladies, enjoyed a girler in the grove at Kemp's mill, near Shirley street. The warm weath of the groton School students and two young ladies, enjoyed a girler in the grove at Kemp's mill, near Shirley street. The warm weath of the Groton School students and two young ladies, enjoyed a girler shirley street. The warm weath of the groton School students and two young ladies, enjoyed a girler shirley street. The warm weath of the groton School students and two young ladies, enjoyed a gent and all seemed to have a good time. Rev. J. B. Lewis was a welcome street.

mas E. Madeline Desmond; class will, Wyoma Wolff; presentation of class will, Wyoma was a cream and cake was served at four o'clock.

Mrs. Mojer; presentation of displomas, Dr. Lilly; "Roaming," chorus, A brief address was given by Dr. Lilly; chair-law feeling and the served at four o'clock.

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News was recently received of the enistment of Frank B. Kaulbeck, of Boston, in the naval reserves. Mr. Kaulbeck has made some acquaintances in town during his visits here at the home of his wife's parents. Mr. and Mrs. L. A. Johnson.

The injuries of Mrs. Catherine Pierce received at the time of her fall about two weeks ago, are resulting more seriously that was thought at first. The ligaments were strained at the knee, causing most intense pain, which is proving detrimental to her general health. At her advanced age, seventy-eight, and considering her past fail health.—her—condition at present is causing grave fears to relatives and friends. She is cared for by Mrs. Minne Holcomb, the nurse, from Brookline, N. H., and everything is being line. N. H., and everything is being done to alleviate her suffering.

An Entertaining song service was held by the Coronean service will be proving a comprehensive article, thorough to prepared to their derivation of grange space and sumals, and their derivation of an anner of foording literature of the comprehensive meeting in charge in more foundary. The derivation of grange space choice, and we all who met her at her previous appearance last fall. She gave a variety of selections, and vecal solos were readered by Mrs. Esse Copp and Mrs. Louise Lawrence. Mrs. Foster Dole, of Littleton, the elections, and vecal solos were readered by Mrs. Esse Copp and Mrs. Louise Lawrence. Mrs. Foster Dole, of Littleton, the elections, and vecal solos were readered by Mrs. Esse Copp and Mrs. Louise Lawrence. Mrs. Foster Dole, of Littleton, the elections, and vecal solos were readered by Mrs. Esse Copp and Mrs. Louise Lawrence. Mrs. Foster Dole, of Littleton, the elections, and vecal solos were readered by Mrs. Esse Copp and Mrs. Louise Lawrence. Mrs. Foster Dole, of Littleton, the elections, and vecal solos were readered by Mrs. Esse Copp and Mrs. Louise Lawrence. Mrs. Foster Dole, of Louise Lawrence. Mrs. Foster Dole, of Louise Lawrence. Mr among us, to share the hospitality of our homes, our churches and our namy organizations.

The work of our citizens and last dies can be and must be along lines of nutual helpfulness to the young men. They are coming to us by thought sands from homes where they will be missed. The prayers of consecrated fathers and mothers will follow them. We can all do our "bit" along practical lines of work in their behalf.

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GROTON

News Items.

On Tuesday afternoon, June 19, at three o'clock, in the lower town hall, Miss-Luey-H. Nash, of Simmons college, will explain and demonstrate the canning of fruits and vegetables. Mrs. James Lawrence, who has shown much interest in the efforts of the Groton food committee, has kindly secured Miss Nash, a well-known expert, for this lecture. All are cordially invited to attend.

Several Grangers went to Ayer on Wednesday evening to witness the inspection of Ayer Grange by Deputy Charles R. Damon, of Williamsburg, and, the conferring of the third and fourth degrees on a class of candidates. A card has been received announcing the marriage of Albert Souther, son of Warner Souther, and Miss Peroty-F. M. Bretherick, of Holyeke, June 12. They will be at home after August first in Leominster.

Mrs. Jane Clark has rented the cot-tage on Court street belonging to George Stevens and expects to move there by the first of July;

Mr. and Mrs. Adams took their lit-tle grandchildren to Lowell Wednesday to see the parade of the Ringling Brothers circus.

operation A. Shaw underwent an operation for appendicitis at the Gro-ton hospital last Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Frank Patterson has been visit

Mrs. Frank Patterson has been visiting her son William and family, of Dorchester. On her return home, accompanied by her grandchild, she caught her heel on the platform of an electric car, straining the ligaments of her knee. With difficulty she reached home, where a physician was called, who put her knee into an ice-pack. Miss Marie Kemp has been staying with her for a few days. Mrs. Patterson is able to get about a little at last reports.

Mr. Beers is moving his tamily into the lower tenement of the Boynton homestead on Pleasant street this week. Mr. Anderson has sub-let the upper tenement to Mr. Robley, who is employed by Mr. Howes of Riverdale

Charles Gerrish is ill in a hospital

Wednesday afternoon the Worces-ter Commercial high school baseball team was defeated by Lawrence academy on Shumway field by the score of 12-to-1. Rev. Oliver J. Fairfield, of Littleton,

and Rev. Charles B. Ames will exchange pulpits on Sunday.

Theodore Richardson returned home on Wednesday for the summer from Cushing academy.

Cushing academy.

Elizabeth Miller, the six-year-old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Abram Miller, of Champney street, was taken to the Clinton hospital last Monday, where she was operated upon for adenoids and a growth of the bone of the nose. The operation was performed by Dr. Monahan. The little girl was taken home on Tuesday and is doing the winter, we are beginning the season severely handicapped and with not a few of our rosy prospects decidedly dimmed. We expect, nevertheless, to give as good concerts as in the past under the care of Dr. Priest of Ayer.

Rev. B. E. Tucker is having his household goods stored at the home of character. The first concert will be patriotic in character. We will play some of the music of our allies, England, France Mr. McGregor. He starts Saturday morning for North Sutherland in the western part of the start, where he well play some of the music of our allies, England, France will prach on Sunday as a supply.

Rev. Endicott Peabody officiated at the wedding of Miss Olive Caldwell and Sydney Geoffrey Buddle of Philatidate battle of the Marne to."

delphia in Keene, N. H., Monday.

The band will run a few items each

The first work in the school ens was begun by the pupils

nesday afternoon, when twenty-four were assigned their individual space were assigned their instructor. Miss Elizabeth Hill, of West Groton. Mr. Upton, of Péabody, who is connected with the Middlesex Farm Bureau, was present and laid out the ground in a systematic way.

A large delegation from Groton attended the mass meeting held in Ayer on Tuesday afternoon and was greatly interested in listening to the plans for social welfare work connected with the

Miss Helen Forbes returns home to-day from Fitzwilliam N. H., where she has been very successful as a

Miss Cornelia Earle, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. Earle, has given up her position as matron in a boys private school in Providence, R. L. and is at home for the summer.

All persons holding bills against Mrs Mary W. Shattuck are asked to pre-sont them at once to her. 2t41

will be held from the bandstand Sat-

erties and will undoubtedly be one of the finest town bandstands in the state

Further particulars in regard to the dedication ceremonies, etc., will follow

The band is now passing through a critical year in its history. The new men from the beginner's band, although they have done well, have not.

extra work, due to the war, feels him-self compelled to sever his connections with the band. Other members of the

with the band. Other members of the band are working evenings on increased gardening operations and find it difficult to attend rehearsals regularly. We have been especially unfortunate; too, in the loss of the services of Mr. Call, who because of illness, has been forbidden by his physicians to play for the present. So, in spite of the hard work that many of the members of the hand have put in during

The hand will run a few items each week concerning the concert programs and other matters pertaining to the hand in these columns, under the head of "Band Notes" F. B.

Grange.

A general good time was enjoyed by the members of the Grange last Tuesday evening, when the third and fourth degrees were conferred on a class of three candidates and a bountful supper was served. The next meeting, June 26, will be the annual strawberry festival with entertainment. By vote of the Grange this meeting will be made public and an admission

will be made public and an admission will be asked. The unique feature of the evening will be the marriage of

Band Notes.

Miss Helen Nelson, of Brockton, is soon to be the goest of Miss Mae Mc-Kean, of Chicopee row. "The silent champion," which was only thrilling for the moment. On account of liness Mr. Barnes was unable to be present and address the Odd Fellows, as was announced in one of the late issues of this paper, but will arrive in Groton the latter part of the week for a short visit with relatives.

only thrilling for the moment, but made an impression on the minds of the boys which will remain through life. This was followed by a few farewell words in which Mr. Tucker reviewed the work of the troop, referring to the many pleasant times which he had enjoyed with them, the importance of keeping the scout oath and laws, the value of loyalty to the home and school, and of commanion and fellowship with the unseen friend of man. His parting words were very imman. His parting words were very im-pressive and the boys are determined to strive to live in the spirit which their scoutmaster has tried to instill in them. The boys then formed a circle and united in singing "Yield not to temptation," scout taps, "Flest be the temptation," scout taps. "Blest be the tie that binds," and mizpah benedic-

The members of Troop I, with scouts of West Groton, enjoyed the privilege on last Saturday of visiting the Harvard Stadium and witnessing the annual rally and demonstration of the members of the Greater Boston council of the Boy Scouts of America. A very enjoyable and long to be re-membered day was passed by the dates of the remaining concerts will be published in a week or two. About July 1 work will be begun on a new bandstand, which is to be given to the band and town by a yet unknown donor. This bandstand will be of cement of the most modern style, built with a view of having good acoustic properties and will undoubtedly be one of the finest town bandstands in the state.

West Groton.

It is understood that E. K. Harring-ton, going on Saturday, visited friends in Watertown, returning with Mrs. Harrington on Sunday.

Though they have done well, have not except in one or two instances, quite arrived at a point where they can be of much assistance to the old band. Another year will be necessary to bring them to that point. The members of the old band are not working under the inspiration of the enthusiasm which the history of the sacrifices of the past members of the band seemed to waken in them last year. The war, too, has not left us unaffected. Mr. Donahue, under pressure of extra work, due to the war, feels himself compelled to sover his care.

We were misinformed last week as to the location of the Sullivan family. The Shepley house on Main street is still unoccupied, the newcomers being in the Adams house on the opposite side of the street.

Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Strand have hand will not lease the house vacated by Mr. Humphrey.

Mrs. A. H. Thompson is entertaining her brother, Frank Sparrell, of Ohio.

Born on Saturday, June 7.

class," Misses Rand, Ryan, Fidelia and Squannacook lodge has thought it expedient to change its memorial program from the one announced last week. Members are requested to meet at the hall at ten a. m. on Sunday. They will later march to the chapel for the regular service, during which they will be addressed by Rev. Mr. Mills of Pepperell. Invitations have been extended to Littleton and Ayer lodges, All Mest Groton members are urged to be present and to assist in furnishing the usual lunch served before visiting the cemetery. ing the cemetery.

A number of people from this vil-lage attended the commencement exer-cises of Groton High school on Thurs-

A number of people from this village attended the commencement exercises of Groton High school on Thursday and Friday-evenings. West Groton graduates are Misses Ruth Eixby and Ruth Mellish, both of whom were given a place among the honor pupils. Missed Bixby being valedictorian.

There was an unusually large attendance at the chapel Sunday morning for it was children's day and in spite of the rain children were out in full numbers. No clergynan being present the little people had the service all to themselves and carried out an interesting program in a very pleasing manner. The exercises were conducted by Mrs. Charles Bixby. S. S. supt.

Graduating exercises were held in Tarbell graduates are Fidelia Campbell: "America"; benediction, Rev. H. C. Merrill.

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Miss Evadne Harrington will leave on Saturday for Worcester, where she will spend the summer with relatives.

The newly formed society for sol-diers' relief work met on Thursday atternoon and made further plans for work, the ordering of materials, etc. is hoped many others will join bedo home knitting please see Mrs. E. Harrington and Miss Elizabeth Hill fil teach a class of girls over coven

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bert Sawyer in LaGrange, Ill. The young lady has been named Dorothy.

Miss Mary Thayer has been visiting her brother, H. A. Thayer, at Fruit Acres.

Canning Club Meeting.

The girls of the canning club are asked to meet at town hall on Wednesday morning, June 20, at 9.30 fework on asparagus under a demonwork on asparagus under a uemonstrator. You are asked to bring your
note book and from one to three cans y
of product you have canned at home.
The membership list will be closed
on June 25. Anyone wishing a card
can obtain one from Miss Nancy Harlow. Ladies are also invited. Artrangements will be made to give the
girls a lunch at noon. From 1.30 to
2.30 Mr. Nims will scere the products
the girls have brought.
Miss Clara Endicott Sears has another supply of note books for the girls
who did not get one before and has
given money for purchase of a box of
asparagus, which the girls will can.
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Mr. Nims to purchase a canning outit for the use of the canning club and s You are asked to bring your

it for the use of the canning club and we expect to have it for use on Wed

scouts.

On Tuesday the Boy Scouts' campaign for liberty loan bonds resulted in securing over \$1500.

From three to five Mr. Nims has something of interest to say to the boys on the food question, pig, poultry, corn and potato clubs, as well as gardening.

E. P. Fairchild has sold his Still River place, the buyers to take possion about July first.

A. A. Hutcherson take possion and potato clubs, as well as gardening.

The grammar school closed the season of school on Thursday with one of the best programs ever given by this school. The exercises were held at the school building and the upper rooms—were filled with parents and friends who came-out for this affair. friends who came out for this affair, it is to be regretted that the work could not have been given in the town hall so that more could have attended, as the work of the children was unquestionably of high order and showed the thoroughness with which the principal and her assistant teachers have worked during the school The following program

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The regular meeting Wednesday evening was largely attended and it was voted to instruct the executive committee to cooperate with the Public Safety committees of other towns whose interests were affected by the military training came. This action military training camp. This action was taken on the report of the execucanning demonstration will be the executive committee regarding the confer-tatine half on We freedry at two conce in Ayer Thursday of last week. by an expert from the Middlesex Dr. H. B. Royal, chairman of the Bareau. All lades are invited. society will hold its semi-committee of health representatives, entertainment and sup-from the various towns, had been

matters and the benefit to home and farm.

Business was so good last Saturday-evening at the Red Maple Inn that extra rooms had to be taken at Mr. Fairchild's to care for the guests.

Mr. and Mrs. William H. Barnes, of San Francisco, Cal., were guests Mr. and Mrs. William B. Haskell couple, of days this week, going fron there to visit friends in Groton

Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Morse attended the Wachusett Bible School convention in Sterling on Tuesday, repre-senting the Still River Baptist Sunday school.

the summer vacation from her school teaching duties in Lunenburg. Arthur Holland visited relatives in Boston a few days this week.

F. W. Bateman, Miss Eliza Bateman, Mrs. S. B. Haynes and Mrs. Anna Flanders took a trip to Boston in Mr. Bateman's auto on Wednesday. The many Still River relatives and

friends of Luther Bateman, of Arling-ton, will be glad to learn that he is making a good recovery from a recent surgical operation. Mrs. S. B. Haynes spent Thursday with Miss Louise Dyar in Harvard.

A. A. Hutcherson took a load of oung people to Mt. Wachusett on

BOXBOROUGH

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. S. D. Salmon 3rd and Mr. and Mrs. Earle Littlefield attended the wedding and reception of Ruth G. Knowlton, youngest daughter of Frank-Knowlton, and Glen C. Gould, at the Baptist church in West Acton, Thursday evening, June 7.

Miss Speid 10-16-613

Miss Susie Littlefield, of West Acton, spent last week at Littlefield farm. Congratulations are extended to M of their son, a nine-pound boy, named John Gamble, after his grandfather.

Mrs. John Cobleigh had as guests for the week-end Mr. and Mrs. McLeod and son of Easton; her daughter and family, Waltham, and her son Frank and two young friends from Lynn. Mrs. Herbert Livermore entertained her niece, Miss Irene Barker, from Waltham, over Sunday,

ence, who is an attendant there. -

The Randall Livermore family, who have been living at Bide-a-Wee cotage, leave this week. On Saturday, Mrs. Livermore and child go to Long Mrs. Livermore and child go to Long Island to spend the summer, and Mr. Livermore will live at his father's. Their new bungalow is being con-structed, Frank Priest, of West Acton.

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Public Safety Committee Notes.

The regular meeting Wednesday evepeane. Mr. Millington, superintendent, presented the diplomas. There were sixteen who received honor certificates for perfect attendance this year. Music for the dancing and the march was furnished by the Grange orchestra.

At the town hall, Harvard, Saturday evening of this week, "The jugger-naut," in five parts featuring Earl Williams and Anita Stewart, the two stars that were in "Neal of the navy," will be the principal picture. "On Broadway," a Hugh Mack comedy, and a Frank Daniels comedy will complete another one of the good shows of the season.

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AYER, MASS.

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several entertainments were provided for the ten units, but just when or from what place they would sail was not known. Mr. Steele, who goes as not known. Mr. Steele, who goes as director, leaves his farm interests, in the hands of his son Wilbur, who has come home for that purpose, and he has also hired three other men to look out for his extensive orchard. The young men will be greatly missed from all social gatherings and news of their traveling eagerly looked for.

Petticoats

69¢ to \$1.75

50¢ and 75¢

50¢

Children's Night Robes

Sunday services-Morning worship at eleven o'clock. Sunday school at 12.15. ('. E. meeting and evening service at seven o'clock. The pastor has returned from his

with his people in the town on Sunday. In spite of the rain and storm last Sunday morning a large congregation heard and enjoyed Prof. George La-

Mrs. John Whitcomb is having her house improved by framing and screening in the porch.

Warren Hayward has gone to work in Mead's store, West Acton.

The school closing exercises took place in the town hall last Saturday procedure. The school closing exercises took place in the town hall last Saturday procedure. The scrament of baptism will be administered, if the paster is procedured to the scrament of the paster is procedured. wili be administ notified thereof.

SHIRLEY

Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge will hold its regular meeting on Fri-day evening, June 22. It is expected that the entertainment will be given or cur-of-town members of the order, and it it hoped that as many members will be present as possible.

Miss Agnes Lynch arrived home the part of the week from St. Law-university, Canton, N. Y. Josephine Bagdon, an eighth grade

Josephine Bagdon, an eighth grade pupil, was presented a prize of five dollars on Thursday by Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., for having the highest average in history during the year, her average being 93.5 percent, and Marion Jubb, for making the greatest improvement during the year was given the second prize of three dollars, Mrs. Themas L. Hazen, regent of Old Shirley chapter, made the presentation. presentation. Elmer H. Allen visited the

Mrs. Elmer H. Allen visited in fifth and sixth grades on Thursda; and gave prizes to three pupils for the building of bird houses Leonar lubb won first prize; \$3; Josepl Norkus second, \$2, and Harold Wat ton third, \$1. The houses were built by the pupils during their work at manual training. The prizes were per-sonal gifts of Mrs. Allen.

Center.

A pleasant home wedding took place at the residence of Rev. Howard A. Bridgman in Brookline on Thursday afternoon when James MacKillop, of the Gordon Bible college, and Miss Merle Crockett, of Shirley Center, were married in the presence of a company of friends, who included a delegation from Ayer and Shirley. The ceremony was performed by Mr. Bridgman, assisted by Dean Nathan F. Wood, of Gordon college Miss Blanche Speer, of the New England Conservatory of Music, sang "Oh perfect love." A wedding march was played by Mrs. Bridgman and her little daughter Marian After the ceremony Miss Elizabeth Walker played several selections. lections.

Mrs. Clifton Derby of Leominster is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Holden. Sixteen from Shirley attended the meeting of Ayer Grange on Wednesday evening, when the third and fourth degrees were worked.

The annual picnic for the Sunday school of Trinity chapel was held on Thursday afternoon at "Paradise."

At the next meeting of Shirley Grange, which is children's night, a reader will furnish the entertainment. Frank J. Lawton, Miss Shirley Lawton and Miss Christine G. Longley attended the wedding of Rev. Frank B. Crandall and Miss Doris Fletcher at Ayer Tuesday evening. Ayer Tuesday evening.

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Members of the Special Aid society met on Wednesday morning at town hall and cleaned out the small room formerly used as a kitchen for use by the Center branch of the society in the work preparing bandages, etc. The work is to be done under the instruction of Mrs. Arthur S. Pray.

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The best method for prevention of "scab" on potatoes is immersing the seed potatoes in a weak solution of Formaldehdye.

The directions are-Mix 1 pint of strong Formaldehyde with 30 gallons of water. Immerse pota-toes in this solution for 2 hours. Remove potatoes, dry and plant.

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Monday, June 18-Afternoon and Evening DOUGLAS FAIRBANKS, the Celebrated Screen Star, in His

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AYER

News Items

At a meeting of the executive com-mittee of the Ayer Branch of the American Red Cross Thomas F. Mul-en was appointed chairman of the Ten was appointed chairman of the committee on membership. It is hoped that everybody in Ayer will be glad to pay one dollar and become a member of the organization. Application cards may be obtained of Mrs. E. W. Carley on Main street and the membership fees may be paid to Mrs. Carley, Mr. Mullen or any officer of the local branch. All members of the Red Cross are asked to help in getting new members. Watch the clock in E. W. Carley's window and keep track of the campaign. It will be set each night at six o'clock. Everyone boost.

Henry Gendreau, a valued employee at Phelps' mill, met with an unfor-ate accident Monday, in losing the thumb of his left hand at the first joint, while operating a circular saw.

The graduating exercises of the high school will take place in the town hall on Thursday evening, June 21.

The annual reception of the semon class will be given Friday evening.

All the schools from grades one to six, inclusive, closed this week Friday. Grades seven and eight and the high school close next week.

The W. R. C. will have a food sale at Mrs. Harry Allen's, East Main street, Friday, June 22, from two to five.

Albert B. Irwin, son of Mr. and Mrs. Robert-Irwin, graduated on Wednesday from the forestry course at the Syracuse university and Mrs. Irwin left Monday to attend the exercises and returned this Friday.

Miss Charlotte Sanderson, daughter of Judge and Mrs. Sanderson, daughter

of Judge and Mrs. Sanderson, is this week attending the Northfield con-

Ralph-II. Griffin spent the week-end recently at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Samuel E. Griffin, Owing to excellent markmanship he was lately transferred from the suppy company D. 6th regiment, South Framingham, to Co. E, infantry, 6th regiment, Holyoke.

A. M. Trull, of Lowell, visited his daughter, Mrs. Jennie E. Kittredge, on

Newbert Sanderson moved Tuesday into the upper tenement in Mrs. J. W. Bulkeley's house on Washington street. Mrs. Cora Burnham has moved to ashua, N. H., from her headquarters Phelps' block.

Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Barry, of New York city, are visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene Barry, Washing-ton street. Mr. Barry is a professor in Columbia university, New York.

Hon. Edward Fisher, of Westford, who has been appointed by the Lowell chapter of the Red Cross to organize committees to assist in raising a fund, next week to help the national campaign for \$100,000,000, will meet the executive committee of the Ayer branch on Saturday evening to formulate plans.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Federated church will hold a lawn party at the home of John Traquair on Wednesday evening. June 20, at eight o'clock. A patriotic pageant will be given during the evening. All are welcome.

The graduating class of the high The graduating class of the high school contains nineteen pupils this year, as follows: Mendel Miller, Amy L. Nixon, Edmond A. Wills, Ruth E. Zoller, classical course; Louise J. Briggs, Alice J. Guthrie, Bessie C. Johnson, Catherine J. Keegan, Cecilia Maynard, Elva H. Mosher, Elizabeth Murray, Rose Savin, commercial; Anthony J. Anno, Stanley J. Chaffin, Allan B. MacDonnell, John H. Pender, Hazel G. Murphy, Kendali V. Pierce, Lucy O. Smith, general.

Mrs. Susan Barker, Mrs. H. A. Bix-

nesday afternoon in Pepperell, the score being 2 to 1.

The Schwartz case was begun in the The Schwartz case was begun in the superior court at Cambridge on Thursday and continued through this week Friday, the verdict not having been reached before we go to press. The defendant, Morris Schwartz, is charged with receiving stolen goods which are alleged to be the property of the Ayer Tanning Company. The goods were seized in a raid at the Schwartz place last March.

The health and child welfare exhibit under the auspices of the state and local boards of health, Thursday and Friday of this week, in Page hall, proved to be very interesting as well as valuable to those who attended. There was a good attendance; but there should have been more. The final lecture comes this week Friday evening.

A regular convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter of Masons will be held on Tuesday evening. June 19, at 7.30 o'clock. Work—Royal Arch de-gree. Lunch.

William Brown, for many years clerk of the board of water commissioners, has resigned.

The amount of money represented n the nurchase of liberty bonds in both he National and Savings banks up o this week Friday noon aggregates to this week Eriday, noon aggregates \$123,000. Of this amount \$93,000 was received by the National bank and \$30,000 by the Savings bank. The money expended for bonds came from Ayer and surrounding towns.

Alfred L. Felch, son of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Felch, Washington street, has been elected captain of the senior relay team of the Fitchburg high school.

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The response that is being made by the peopie to the liberty loan is both inspiring and encouraging. Individuals and corporations alike are subscibing generously, among the first of the latter being the National Biscuit Company, which took a half-million dollars of the bonds. To conserve what our ancestors fought for and to make the world safe for democracy the liberty loan must be made a great patriotic success, for the future peace and security of the world are in the balance. Here is a real sopportunity to help the nation. Now is the time for all good men to come to its aid.

"Friday, the 13th," with the celebrated screen star, Robert Warwick, in the leading role, is the feature picture this Saturday afternoon and evening. The play is produced in five pparts. This will be followed by a farce comedy entitled "Lonesome Luke's ilively life," and the Pathe News. On Monday afternoon and evening. Douglas Fairbanks, the celebrated screen star, appears in the latest screen comedy. "In again—out again." On twednesday afternoon and evening Frances Nelson appears in "The power of decision," five parts, which will be followed by a Foxfilm comedy in two release. Here father's station,"

Nelson Root moved last Saturday if from his former home on the Shirley road to the house formerly occupied by Douglass C. Smith on Jackson street. Mr. Root's place, on which he had lived for muny years, has hear scentred by the group and to work and the shall here of the bouse formerly occupied by the government as a part—of the new military camp.

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Miss Pauline M. Sherwin, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. William U. Sherwin, graduates next Tuesday from Wellessley college. Mrs. Sherwin is now in Wellesley visiting her daughter, and Mr. Sherwin went Friday, planning to return this Saturday.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Bedester of the Part of the Pa of Upper Montclair, N. J., formerly of this town, made a short call on friends here Wednesday afternoon, motoring from Shirley, where they Their son, Conant Manning, expect to enter Exeter academy this fall.

Join the Red Cross now. Next week Red Cross week. is Red Cross week.

The announcement in the daily papers that Michael Crummey, formerly of Ayer, and son, James Crummey, of Lowell, were killed in the Butte, Mont, horror last week is untrue. Word has been received by Mrs. Crummey to that effect. Both men have been working at the mine for some time past.

E. A. Whitney had a carioad of new horses arrive on Wednesday.

At 2.30 o'clock Thursday afternoon, June 21, the conservation department of the public safety committee will conduct a canning class in the lower town hall. The class will be in charge of Miss Edna Brown. The public is cordually invited to come and observe the work and Miss Brown will give suggestions and help in every way non-Lucy O. Smith, general.

Mrs. Susan Barker, Mrs. H. A. Bixby, Mrs. Hall, Miss Emma Butterfield.

Mrs. Alice Butterfield, Mrs. Lucy Pickard, Mr. and Mrs. George H. Hill, Mr. and Mrs. H. L. Farnsworth, Mrs. Florence-Vermille attended the North Middlesex conference held in Ashby on Thursday.

The Society for American Prepared-

near the camp. The building will be used, it is said, mainly as a moving picture place.

leture place.

Plans are under way for the laying tracks from the Worcester. of spur tracks from the Worcester. main camp on the plains.

District Court

Three continued cases of alleged reckless driving of automobiles on the state highway at Woods Village on Sunday, June 3, were disposed of by Judge Atwood Morday morning. Chief Riley, Shirley, the chief witness, told the court that the evidence against these men was the same a the same as the told the court that the evidence against these men was the same as that giver in the cases of several others who were found not guilty last week therefore ordered their discharge from custody. Orrin Murray, of Ayer, was found

Orrin Murray, of Ayer, was found not guilty of larceny and discharged. It was alleged that the defendant took a few dollars which were in a pocket-book in a handbag belonging to Mrs. Sidney Allen, which laid on a seat in the waiting-room of what is known as the Fitchburg division station, in Ayer.

Mrs. Allen testified that she arrived on the express from Boston due here at 6.55 Sunday evening on her way to Groton. She left the station for a short time, unintentionally leaving her bay in the station. Upon her return the bag was given to her by one of the telegraph operators with the pocket-book and contents missing, the operator saying that the bag had been left at the office by some unknown person, Murray said he found the bag and placed it where he had picked it up. He denied taking the money. The court, for lack of sufficient efficience, ordered his discharge.

The preacher for Sunday is a field association. As this parish has owed in a hearism for this assistance at a time of the Greek charge, he present in accordance with a heant-fall mander of each the visitor should receive beach the visit of good attendance

Death.

Mrs. Ellen Murphy died at her home on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on West Main street Monday afternoon on the numbered on the numbere

Noah Denault, of Hollis, N. H., was Noah Denault, of Hollis, N. H., was arraigned on a complaint charging him with cruelly beating a horse and J. O. Williams, Jr., Pepperell, for driving a horse more than ten miles an hour in violation of the by-laws of hour in violation of the by-laws of Pepperell. Both pleaded not guilty. The alleged oftenses occurred in Pep-perell last Saturday forenoon. Both-were found guilty. Denault was fined twenty dollars and Williams ten dol-

were found guilty. Denault was fined twenty dollars and Williams ten dollars and Williams ten dollars.

Officer A. A. Lawrence, of Pepperell, said his attention was called to the horse that Denault had driven. The animal had evidently been severely beaten with a whip, several marks being noticeable on both sides of the horse's body. The animal was found to be very lame so that it was scarcely able to walk. Fred A. Davis, a veterinary was called, and examined the horse, which later was killed to relieve it of its sufferings. Dr. Davis said that in addition to the marks on the horse he found that the animal had a fractured shoulder. He stated, however, a that the horse might have received the fracture from driving, as sometimes perfectly good horses are affected in this way by the continued "pounding" of the feet even on the race track. On a hard road the danger of a fracture would be all the more probable. The doctor said that the probable. The doctor said that the fracture noted would not necessarily the caused by abuse. He should say, however, that the marks on the horse's body indicated that it had been abused.

Mrs. Irene Tarbell Attridge testified that she saw Denault and Williams driving their horses for "all they were worth" on Main street, near the overthat she aw Denault and Williams driving their horses for "all they were worth" on Main street, near the over-head bridge close to the rull and thead bridge, close to the rathroad struction on the Milford (N. H.) branch.

Chief Smith spoke a good word for Denault, saying that he was ordinarily a good citizen when he was "all right." He said that both men had been drighten which

right." He said that both men had been drinking, which was the cause of the trouble.

Denault said that he had bought his horse a week before the alleged offense had been committed and considered the animal in gool condition. He denied the charge preferred against him

Mass Meeting.

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A mass meeting of the towers which will border on the rew undiverse composed by the plans was held in the town half on Tuesday afternoon at 2.15 o'clock, when plans were explained for social welfare work in connection with the camp. The half was crowded to the diors by a very much interested audience, the greater number of which were ladies. The towns represented were Ayer, Groton, Shirley, Lancaster, Clinton, Entiteton, Pepperell, Townsend, Bolton and Harvard, Mrs. Annie B. Sanderson, president of the local Special Aid society. vaid. Mrs. Annie B. Sanderson, president of the local Special And society for American Preparednes, presided.

The meeting opened with the singing of "The Star Spangled Hanner," by Mrs. Walter C. Sargent with Mrs. Avis Burns Fisner as accompanist on the plane.

The first speaker was Mrs. W. L. Jackson, a representation of the Star

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cause of death.

Mrs. Murphy was a native of County
Clare, Ireland, and had been a resident
of this town for over fifty years. She
leaves three sons, Thomas H. Murphy, of
Springfield; John F. Murphy, of
Winchester, N. H., and Dennis E.
Murphy, of Ayer; also, two daughters.
Misses Margaret J. Murphy and Minnie T. Murphy, of Ayer.

The funeral was held on Thursday
morning with a requirem high mass at
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The funeral was held on Thursday morning with a requiem high mass at St. Mary's church at nine o'clock, of which Rev. Thomas P. McGinn was like celebrant. The bearers were John H. McGuane, James J. McGuane, Dennis E. Cullinan, Joseph E. Donovan Thomas O'Meara and Thomas J. Ryan. The interment took place at St. Mary's cemetery, where Rev. Frank H. Houston performed the committal, service.

The firm of L. Sherwin & Company has sold out to Louis H. Cushing and a party of local men. The firm will take account of stock next week and later the store will be turned over to the two woners. Just what will be done by the purchasers is now uncertain. However, it may be said that the store will be turned over the requirements of the new firm, which will be definitely announced in due time.

and the Gypsy Michela, Rose-Savin.

The second-episode was twenty new en years later, "Golumbus at the Court of Spain," the scene being in the throne room. Harold Wentworth well harole for made a fine given being in the queen stabella; Stanley Fleet was the queen streasurer, and Harold Cushing. King's advisor; Clarence Nixon, Irwin Pillman and Matthew Anno, the doctors of Salamonca; Dudley Whitney, the page; Helen McGuane and Hazel Scruton, maids of honor.

The third episode showed the relief of the sailors on board the Saint Mary, closing with the discovery of land. The sailors were Ryan Sprague, Sculley, Willis, Chaffle, Allah MacDonnell, Peter Levarney and Rob-

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low, Gladys Porter Mildred Palman, I were Indian women and the warriors were Harold Griffic William Woods Pillman, Cushing and Nixon.

The actors were all in cost ime and did their parts with credit to their director. Miss lizzooth R. Lurghton, swho has been until in the play. Everything was very real site and espace the interest.

The hall was very prettily decorated with American flags. Super was served in the Unitarian character water to the gathering. There were 134 hourd and vesting members of the order and vesting members of the order of the budgetnards carrying a white cane with pank savet peas, tied with with rithous. The maid of honor wore pink silk taffeta with not over large, and carried a shower-house of pink sweet peas.

Linitarian Church.

Sunday Service—Regular offices, morning prayer and sermon at 19.45.

Music, prelude, "Song without words," the savet peas, and carried a shower-house of pink sweet peas.

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Annual Public Speaking.

The annual public speaking of the high school took the form this year of a pageant, "Chistopher Columbus," which was presented last week Friday evening in the town hall. There were four episodes represented. The first showed Columbus as a youth in Genoa, the scene being outside the house of a Genoese fisherman. Here Albert Chauvin, as Columbus, enacted well the part of the serious-minded youth inspired with a high ideal: Miss Amy L. Nixon, as a Franciscan monk, was excellent; the others taking part being "the old sailor Baccicia, Edmond Willis: Uncle Peter, the ship's captain, Lyman Sprague; Gasper, the fruit seller, John Scully; the young sailors, Anthony and Leopold, Gerald Ryan and Stanley Chaffin; Catherine and and Stanley Chaffin; Catherine and and Stanley Chaffin; Catherine and wred by the latest, T. Barriett. After Bella, wife and daughter of Baccicia, Lwy verse in this mace the flushress of the new firm, which will be definitely announced in due time. The withdrawal from business of the firm of L. Shrwin, & Company, one of the oldest firms in this town, removes an old landmark whose passing, is learned of with regret by their wide number of customers and friends. The founder of the business was Levi Sherwin. The claer Mr. Sherwin was born in Townserd in 1916. All his family were tiso hor, in that town, now Ayer, in 1952, and started a grist mill on the site later occupied by the Ames Plow Company. After a short time in this business here in the provided started of George H. Brown and Stanley Chaffin; Catherine and Anthony and Leopold Gerald Ryan and Stanley Chaffin: Catherine and owned by the late II. T. Bardett. After Edizabeth Murray and Alice Guthrie: Mary and Margaret. Bella's cousins, and sirl friends, Irene Hassam, Lucile Hollis, Beulah Hassam, Cecilia Maynard, Carol Pierce and Ruth Zoller; and the Gypsy Michela, Riose-Savin, The second episode was twenty several to the present location of Fage block; where any years later. "Columbus at the Court was conducted by Mr Sherwin and the grant life of that

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Conter.

The children of the Methodist Sunday school gave a fine concert at the Sunday morning service under the direction of the pastor's wife. Mrs. Tuttle. The program consisted of songs by class and chorr; welcome by Evelyn Bustim songs by Isabelle MeMaster. Holen Stuart. Florence Misner, Marie McMaster. Phyllis Wilson, Bermer Woods and Myrtle Marshall and Mister Edgar Wilson, rectations by Edith Tibbets, Phyllis Wilson, Marie McMaster, Evelyn Natung, Helen Stuart. Edith Thorpe, Isabelle McMaster, Edith Thorpe, Isabelle McMaster, Edith Thorpe, Isabelle McMaster, Ewelyn Natung, Helen Stuart. Edith Thorpe, Isabelle McMaster, Mamie Johnson and dialogue, Ellem and Verna Bohver. The services closed with a talk by Mrs. Tuttle on the children's day fund for Methodist students.

Mrs. Sylvester P. Robertson, of Malden, a former pastor's wife, has been the guest this week of Mrs. A. I. Dow.

Last Sunday was observed as memorated the convention on April b was more the product of the product the pro

Last Sunday was observed as memorial day by the members of North Star lodge and E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge, I. O. O. F. Graves of former members were decorated at West Townsend, about sixty making the trip there in autos and attending special there in autos and attending special services Sunday morning at the Buptist church, where there was a ser-mon appropriate to the occasion by mon appropriate to the occasion by the pastor, Rey. Joseph McKean. At three in the afternoon the members assembled at Odd Fellows' hall and with Fred J. Piper as marshal, and John Dobson as bugler, marched to the Hillside cemetery where the graves of eighty-five departed members were decorated with wreaths and flowers.

The Memorial association met a their room in Memorial hall last Sat-urday afternoon and elected the fol-lowing officers for the new year: C. W. Hidreth, pres.; T. J. Harvey, v. p., Leander Jefts, treas.; George Adams, trustee 3 yrs.; William Bush, color bearer.

Clarence Sherrin, of Fitchburg, is visiting his mother and other relatives this week.

Dr. E. C. Charlton, of Haverhill, N H., a former Methodist pastor, was in town the first of the week.

Rev. A. L. Struthers, F. B. Higgins, Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Whitcomb, Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Howard attended the mass meeting held in the town hall, Ayer, Tuesday afternoon, for the purpose of forming plans for social welfare work connected with the coming

The annual election of officers of the Parent-Teachers' association was held on Tuesday evening, when the followon Tuesday evening, when the following officers were elected: A. S. Howard, pres.; Mrs. F. B. Higgins, v. p.; Mrs. C. W. Meade, sec.; Mrs. Robert Smith, treas.; Mrs. A. L. Struthers. Mrs. H. L. Whitcomb, Mrs. Clara Craig, A. N. Fessenden, T. J. Harvey, entertainment com.

At the last meeting of the Red Cross At the last meeting of the Rea Cross Auxiliary, held at the home of Mrs. Robert Fessenden, the following new names were added to the membership roll: Mrs. James Woolley, Mrs. Wilbur Bruce, Mrs. Mary L. White. Mrs. George Kendall, Mrs. George Wilder, Miss Carrie Dorr, Miss Alice Day.

Miss Mabel Bliss, teacher in Farmington, N. H., is enjoying her summer vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. D. Bliss.

and Mrs. E. D. Bliss.

Fred Miner, the auto driver, who was pinned under the car in a plunge from a bridge on the South Ashburnham road. Sunday morning, and drowned; was formerly a resident here, working for the B. & A. D. Fessenden Company at the mill.

The Company of Served Neighburn

The Grangers observed Neighbors night with Ashly Grange at Ashby list week Thursday night and presented the following entertainment: Overture by the Grange band in which T. E. Flarity, F. J. Piper, H. Bray, F. Wood and A. Seaver as piano accompanist, took part; vocal duet, F. Wood and H. Knight; baritone and alto duet, T. E. Flarity and H. Bray; selections by male quartet; reading, Dr. Atwood; vocal solos, Mrs. Brackett and Mrs. Greenleaf; baritone solo, T. E. Flarity; piano solo, A. Seaver. Part second consisted of a minstrel concert with little Miss Florence Higgins as mascot. Local lokes were given, popular songs and plantation melodies were rendered. An evendent bunquet was served by the Ashby Grange at the close of the meeting. The Grangers observed Neighbors

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years and Saturday diagrams as inches her ness Mass Manel Harley, where she had been tenderly excel for since her removal from Burlerk hessipital five weeks age. She was the sister of the late S Ous Marshall of this town and a marive of Labelburg and most of her life was spent in that fown and a marive of Labelburg and most of her life was spent in that fown and a marive of his entermination of Spentis of Principles (piner position to take a position as many them is to be no are her as She many them is to be no are her as She in the first termination.

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Annual C. E. Meeting,

The banner for attendance at mid-week and Sunday services and rallies since the convention on April 2 was awarded to the Highland Baptist church, Fitchburg, which had 58.4 percent, while the C. C. church was second with 57.4, after having held the three previous banners.

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At the election of officers Harvey livers P. Sherwin, Miss Emma value.

Jones, of Fitchburg, was elected pres: acting as accompanist. The bearers charles Dunbar, Fitchburg, w. p.; Miss were her four brothers, George, Alford and James Tarbell and Elbridge Farrar. The interment was in the family lot in the cemetery in Mason, N. H.

Tendents and committees were also N. H.

Decod will be missed by a large daughter

Florence Stration Leominister, see: Ernest Williams. West Fitchburg, treus. Various department superint tendents and committees were also elected.

Two pleasant surprises of the evening were provided through the presence of Ronald R. Johnson, state superintendent of intermediate work, and Lester W. Moore, president of the Worcester Local Union, both of whom were called upon and briefly addressed the meeting. Then followed the address of the evening were leaded upon and briefly addressed the meeting. Then followed the address of the verning by Leland Weiles. Pollock, of Boston, secretary of the Middlesser County Union, who spoke upon definite practical work in the Y. P. S. C. E. Temperance and prohibition activity were urged as well as home garden plans by the C. E. He emphasized the fact that "greatness consists in not always doing the uncommon things but in doing the common things uncommonly well." and urged that all use the talents they possessed for the good of others.

The meeting closed, with the benediction pronounced by Rev. Ernest Merriam, of Fitchburg.

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S. Leroy Shapleigh from Somerville is spending a few days with his grand-mother. Mrs. Mary Foster who al-though still very lill is reported as improving.

Death.

Mrs. Belle Blood, widow of Paimer Blood, passed away at the home of her steer. Mrs. Mary Robins, early Saturday morning from the enects of and her inith cumulative advanced registry record closed April Saturday morning from the enects of the attack of heart trouble. Although she had been in facing health for the past year the end came sublenly and friends. Mrs. Blood, was aged, 64 years, 9 months, 5 days, and was a native of Alton Bay. N. H., the daughter of Alton Bay. N. H., the daughter became residents of Mason, N. H., where much of Mrs. Blood's early fifth was spent. After the death of her hasband, twenty-eight years ago, she made her home with her sister. Mrs. Record Bos. milk bis fat Phothms, when not employed as house-bashand, twenty-eight years ago, she keeper or nurse.

The deceased is survived by three brothers, George Tarbell, of Townsend, and James and Alfred Tarbell, of Mason, N. H.; a half-brother. Elbridge Seventh, mature 11,295 302,79 Sixth, mature 11,295 401,17 Seventh mature 19,525 401,17 Sixth, m

Funeral services were held at the Baptist church at two o'clock Monday afternoon, Rev. Joseph MacKean officiating, and two selections, "Face to face" and "Beautiful isle of some-where," were very pleasingly rendered where," were very pleasingly rendered by Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin and Mrs.

Sunday guests of the Eilwell family of Malden and Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. S. Z. Cleaves of Rindge, N. H., spent Sunday at J. H. Kimball's, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kimball and son lialph of Odgen, Utah, were guests of Mr. Kimball's orother. Waiter Kimball, and family, this week. They called on other Littleton relatives and former neighbors and paid brief visits in savarial relatives. In different parts of the state of t

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Sunday guests of the Eilwell family of Malden and Ayer.

Barbara Hibbard is recovering from German measles.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Bradley have moved into one of the new houses of the Littleton Associates at the Common.

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mon.

Bird night is slated for the Grange
Wednesday, June 20.

Hartwell & Hosmer are running a
motor butcher cart.

Mrs. A. W. Knowlton leaves Saturday, June 16, for Hanover, N. H.,
where-she will attend her son's gradauton and other commencement eversates. She will be accompanied by her
sister-in-in W. Mrs. George H. Patch of

sister-in-law, Mrs. George H. Patch, of South Framingham and Mrs. H. F. Broctor of Littleton.

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The intermediate of E society closed its Sunday meetings for the saminer Jones 10 M day evening the society of the Raptise Church will hold its last feed many over the 17th of June

The Woman's Missionary society of the Baptise church will hold its last meeting of the season June 20 in the church parlor Leader, Mrs Alice of Kin icall. Subject, Mexico.

The Franklin class of boys in the Laprics: Sunday school bought a Laberin the variations of working on the few movements cannot be placed as the second of the control of the control

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subscribed to by the twenty boys, each paying \$2.50 out of their own pockets. They have also convassed the town in the interest of bond selling and have sold \$5.750 worth at last reports.

Mrs. C. B. Bigelow has taken an especial interest in the troop and has given to their use 1½ acres of land. The boys have ploughed and planted this to white beans, the cost of horse labor. Seed and, fertilizer to be Taken

this to white beans, the cost of horse labor, seed and fertilizer to be taken out of the gross receipts, the balance to be put in the treasury for whatever use the boys see fit.

Mrs. Bigelow has also presented the troop with a new flag, 4x5, with a staff and belt for carrying on parade. The hoys are bustlers and under such able leaders as Merrill and Bigelow are certainly doing some excellent work.

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war expenses If we should attempt to do as much in the first year of the war as Great Britain did in the third year it would suffice to raise by taxation \$1,250,000, 000. If, in order to be absolutely on the safe side, it seemed advisable to increase the sum to \$1,500,000,000, this should, in our opinion, be the maxi-

In considering the apportionment of the extraordinary burden of taxes in war times certain scientific principles are definitely_established: PAY FOR THE WAR?

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Five Reasons Why Excessive Taxes at

By EDWIN R. A. SELICMAN

McVickar Professor of Political Econ-omy, Columbia University.

On May 23, 1917, the House of Rep-

resentatives passed an act "to provide

revenue to defray war expenses and for other purposes." In the original

bill as presented by the Committee of

Ways and Means, the additional reve-

nue to be derived was estimated at \$1,

810,420,000. The amendment to the in-

ome tax, which was tacked on to the

bill during the discussion in the House,

In discussing the House bill, two

I. How much should be raised by

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I. How Much Should Be Raised by

Taxation?

How was the figure of \$1,800,000,000 arrived at? The answer is simple. When

the Secretary of the Treasury came to

estimate the additional war expenses

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they would amount to some \$6,000.

000,000, of which \$3,000,000,000 was to

be allotted to the allies, and \$3.600,-

000,000 was to be utilized for the do-

mestic purposes. Thinking that it

would be a fair proposition to divide

this latter sum between loans and

taxes, he concluded that the amount

to be raised by taxes was \$1,800,000,-

There are two extreme theories, each

of which may be dismissed with scant

courtesy. The one is that all war ex-

penditures should be defrayed by loans,

and the other is that all war expendi-tures should be defrayed by taxes.

It is indeed true that the burdens of

ent rather than the future generation;

but this does not mean that they should

Meeting all war expenses by taxation

years bear the burden of benefits that

ought to be distributed at least over a

In the second place, when expendi-

tures approach the gigantic sums of

present-day warfare, the tax-only pol-

cy would require more than the total

surplus of social income. Were this

where the disasters are so great and

at the same time so unnecessary, the

tax-only policy may be declared im-

Secretary McAdoo had the right in-

stinct and highly commendable cour-

age in deciding that a substantial por-

tion, at least, of the revenues should

be derived from taxation. But when

he hit upon the plan of 50-50 per cent., that is, of raising one-half of all do-

question arises whether he did not go

The relative proportion of loans to

taxes is after all a purely business

proposition. Not to rely to a large ex-

tent on loans at the outset of a war is

practicable.

oo far.

a mistake.

decade within the same generation.

be borne by this year's taxation.

Each theory is untenable.

Was expected to yield another \$40,000, 000 or \$50,000,000.

Be Apportioned.

problems arise:

taxation?

be raised?

How Taxes Should Be Apportioned. (1) The burden of taxes must be spread as far as possible over the whole community so as to cause each Individual to share in the sacrifices ac-A Constructive Criticism on the cording to his ability to pay and according to his share in the Government.

(2) Taxes on consumption, which are necessarily borne by the community at large, should be imposed as far as possible on articles of quasi-luxury rather than on those of necessity.

LOANS BETTER THAN TAXES .(3) Excises should be imposed as far as possible upon commodities in the hands of the final consumer rather than upon the articles which serve pri the Outset of War Are Disadvantagemarily as raw material for further ous-Great Britain Example Worthy production. of Emulation-How the Taxes Should

(4) Taxes upon business should be imposed as far as possible upon net earnings rather than upon gross re or capital invested

-(5) Tuxes upon income which will recessarily be severe should be both differentiated and graduated. That is, there should be a distinction between earned and unearned incomes and there should be a higher rate upon the large incomes. It is essential, bowever, not to make the income rate so excessive as to lead to evasion, administrative difficulties, or to the more fundamental objections which have been urged above.

(6) The excess profits which are due

to the war constitute the most obvious and reasonable source of revenue dur-ing war times. But the principle upon which these war-profit taxes are laid must be equitable in theory and easily calculable in practice.

The Proposed Income Tax. The additional income tax as passed by the House runs up to a rate of 60 per cent. This is a sum unheard of in the history of civilized society. It must be remembered that it was only after the first year of the war that Great Britain increased ber income tax to the maximum of 34 per cent, and that even now in the fourth year of the war the income tax does not exceed 421/2 per cent.

It could easily be shown that a tax with rates on moderate incomes sub stantially less than in Great Britain. and on the larger incomes about as high, would yield only slightly less than the \$532,000,000 originally estimated in the House bill

It is to be hoped that the Senate will reduce the total rate on the highest incomes to 34 per cent, or at most to 40 per cent, and that at the same time it will reduce the rate on the smaller in comes derived from personal or professional earnings.

war should be borne by the pres-If the war continues we shall have to depend more and more upon the in-come tax. By imposing excessive rates now we are not only endangering the future, but are inviting all manner of difficulties which even Great Britain has been able to escape. makes the taxpayers in one or two

Conclusion.

The House bill contains other funds mental defects which may be summed up as follows: (1) It pursues an erroneous principle

in imposing retroactive taxes. (2) It selects an unjust and unwork able criterion for the excess-profits tax

absolutely necessary, the ensuing hav-(3) It proceeds to an unbeard-of oc in the economic life of the communibeight in the income tax. ty would have to be endured. But (4) It imposes unwarranted burdens upon the consumption of the community.

(5) It is calculated to throw business into confusion by levying taxes on gross receipts instead of upon commodities. (6) It fails to make a proper use of stamp taxes.

(7) It follows an unscientific system in its flat rate on imports. (8) It includes a multiplicity of pet-

ty and unlucrative taxes, the vexatious. mestic war expenditures by taxes, the ness of which is out of all proportion to the revenue they produce.

> The fundamental lines on which the is gone. House bill should be modified are summed up herewith: (1) The amount of new taxation

should be limited to \$1.250,000,000-or

be revised with a lowering of the rates plete the surplus available for invest- on earned incomes below \$10,000, and Deaths. ments and interfere with the placing of with an analogous lowering of the

000,000, which is the amount of money

BROOKLINE, N H.

News Items.

The epidemic of measles which had cen sweeping over the town seems o have subsided sufficiently to allow he reopening of the schools and week.

A large number from here avended he patriotic demonstration which was deld in Milford June 5.

There was a large gather a z of Loval

Miss Josephine Seaver and Mrs. Hat-e Stiles were Milford visitors last eek Tuesday.

Mrs, Mary Gerrish returned from Amhers: last Friday where she had been spending a week as the guest of Mrs. C. P. Wheeler. Mrs Wheeler accompanied her home for a day's visit.

A successful social dance was held in the town hall last week Friday eve-ning under the auspices of John Whit-comb and James Gilson. Guests were present from all nearby towns.

Mrs. Elsie Shattuck, accompanied by her two nieces, Hazel and Eleanor Storer: left last week Wednesday for her summer place at Oak Bluffs.

Mrs. Minnie Grove has been engaged stay with Mrs. Charlotte Shattuck or the summer.

to stay with Mrs. Charlotte Shattuck for the summer.

A meeting of the townspeople was held at the town hall in the evening of last week Wednesday to hear an address by Dr. Charles Reese of Milford on Red Cross work. Dr. Geo. L. Perrin was chosen chairman for the evening, who after a few introductory remarks introduced Mr. Iwese spoke Gulte extensively on the Red Cross movement, what it stood for and the urgent need for more help during the urgent need for more help during the remainder of this war, it was voted to form a Red Cross branch in this town and so far a list of between thirty and forty names have been sent in settled. The charter has been applied for and just as soon as possible the meetings of the order will be held. More names for membership are earnestly solicited and all those whose names have not already been sent in are urgently requested to respond to this call to help in the work.

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Betterly of Worcester were week-end visitors at the

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Betterly of Wor-cester were week-end visitors at the home of their parents, Mr. and Mrs. George Betterly

LUNENBURG

News Items.

Last week Friday morning the eighth grade pupils accompanied by their teacher, Miss Nellie B. Russell, entered a large auto truck and took a trip to the history towns of Lexington and Concord. Rev Lonel A Whiston was one of the party by invitation. Although the weather of early morning was very forbidding damp and foggy, the sun soon broke through the clouds the sun soon broke through the clouds. he sun soon broke through the clouds and a most delightful day was enjoyed y all with pienic le ch at noon

by all with picnic 1.5 cn at noon.

Mrs. Simon F. Nild took a trip to her old home in Skowhegan, Mo., last Saturday. She exports to be away about two weeks and will visit friends in Portland and vicinity. Mrs. Mc. Gregor of Fitchfort, will look after the wants of her he schold while she

Rev. and Mrs. R. ert F. Leavens have opened up the summer home, formerly the L. W. Bowles place for the season.

this kind would yield some \$450,000, 000 additional.

(4) The tax on whisky and tobacco ought to remain approximately as it is, with a yield of about \$230,000,000, These three taxes, together with the stamp tax at even the low rate of the House bill, and with an improved automobile tax, will yield over \$1,250,000,000, which is the amount of money age.

thought desirable.

The above program would be in harmony with an approved scientific system. It will do away with almost all of the complaints that are being urged against the present. It will refrain from taxing the consumption of the poor.

It will throw a far beavier burden upon the rich, but will not go to the extremes of confiscation. It will obviate interference with business and will keep unimpaired the social productivity of the community.

It will establish a just balance be
The funeral was held in the Methodist the Methodist chapel on Tuesday afternoon and was conducted by Rev. Charles W. Loomis of North Leoninster. One of the distribution of the strength of the christian's good night' and "Sometime, well understand." Interment was in the family lot in the North cemetery. She is survived by one niece in Townsend, deceased to N. BLICNET SMITH of the strength of the community.

It will establish a just balance beago.

Her funeral was he'd in the Metho-

It will establish a just balance between loans and taxes and will not succumb to the danger of approaching either the tax-only policy or the loan only policy. Above all, it will keep an undisturbed elastic margin, which must be more and more heavily drawn upon as the war proceeds.

George Frank Emerson, another to give pick and the provide And the part of a give pick are to give pick a reach week to give pick a reach week in Turner's noon June 10. His health had been for three success to weeks in Turner's noon June 10. His health had been for three success to weeks in Turner's noon June 10 as week's duration. He was sixty years of age. He is surful with the last in the last of the provide And the part of the given has dead of the provide and the provide at the last of the provide at the provide at the last of the provide at the provide a

Mrs. William Hildreth and Mrs. George F. Tyler, Loth of Lunenburg. The function was held in Sawver chapel in Enterhouse or Wednesday at two delock and reference was in the North cemetery.

The school comment

There was a large gather, got Loval Workers at the home of Mrs George Standley on June 6. Much work was accomplished during which there was singing by all present with Mrs. Hattle Stiles presiding at the panno. The guests were served with banana split. Freeman Wright has rented the will soon set up housekeeping there. Frank Willoby has erected a beautiful new bird house on a tall pole near his home on Mason street. The one which he had there previously was very much used by the birds all last winter.

Miss Josephine Seaver and Mrs. Hattle Stiles were Milford visitors last week Tuesday. week Tuesday.

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There were forty-one men of the Town who answered the call to register and 8 in the United Stances has been re-elected for grades. Mrs. Emily Rideout who fell and injured her hip sometime ago is still confined to her room.

Oscar Eliot last week entertained his sister, Mrs. Jennie Worcester, of Fitchburg.

Burt Swift and his brother Joseph are fixing up their summer place in the west part of the town preparatory to opening for the season.

Mr. and Mrs. Theodore Chase have arrived at their summer home for the remainder of the season.

Mrs. Carrie Whitcomb entertained her sister, Mrs. Sylvia Joy, of Lunenburg, last week Thursday.

Mrs. Mary Gerrish returned from Mrs. Mary and Elizabeth Manners last Friday where the season was a few last of the Congregational church. Will preach the baccalcureate sermon to the graduating class of cleven on Sunday, June 17. They are Beatrice F. Carr, Alice DeCoff, Frances E. Harburgham, Mrs. Mary Gerrish returned from govern, Hazel P. Martin and Elizabeth govern, Hazel P. Martin and Elizabeth

govern, Hazel P. Martin and Elizabeth Warren.

Beatrice Archibald and Frances Harley intend to enter normal school at Flichburg! Dorothy Cass will go to Sargent school for physical education; Willard Adams and Dwight Magovern will prepare for college.

The service at the church on Sundayfor the graduating class will be a union service of both churches to which everybody in town is invited, as well

ion service of both churches to which everybody in town is invited, as well as to the exercises at the town hall on Wednesday evening. Jane 29. No formal invitations will be sent out this year but all air just as cordially invited as though each one had received a special printed one. The exercises will include at essay to Miss Hazel P. Martin and the from Willard T. Adams; also, an address by Prof. Leo Weiner of the department of Slavic languages and literature of the program a recognition will follow, but there organ a recognition will follow, but there

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Disadvantages of Excessive Taxes.

The disadvantages of excessive taxes at the outset of the war are as follows:

1. Excessive taxes on consumption will cause popular resentment.

2. Excessive taxes on industry will disarrange business, damp enthusiasm and restrict the spirit of enterprise at the very time when the opposite is needed.

3. Excessive taxes on incomes will deplete the surplus available for investigation.

Should be limited to \$1.250,000,000—or at the outset to \$1.500,000,000. To do the thing would be as unwise as the outset of the war are as follows:

I. Excessive taxes on consumption will cause popular resentment.

2. Excessive taxes on industry will disarrange business, damp enthusiasm and restrict the spirit of enterprise at the outset to \$1.500,000,000.

(2) The excess-profits tax based upon a graduate of Francischam normal accepted her electric as one of the cachers in the Central schools.

(3) The income-tax schedule ought to present the provided with a lowering of the rates of the provided with a lowering of the rates.

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Saturday, June 16, 1917. PEPPERELL

Lloyd Tower received notification on Thursday that he had passed the two examinations admitting him to Annapolis military school. He was num-Englishing that he had passed the examinations admitting him to Affinapolis military school. He was number one in a class of twenty-five applicants, the first examination being in Mity at Lowell; and the second about two weeks ago, in physical tests, in Charlestown. He will be in training, certainly for two years, and perhaps for four, at Annapolis.

Mrs. Louise Dunton started for Point du Butte. N. B., on Thursday Her-mother, Mrs. Elizabeth Deware, will return here with her next week in time for the French-Deware wed-

are no new symptoms.

On Tuesday noon a message was received by Chief Smith from Dr. George B. McGrath, medical examiner, Boston, concerning the body of a man found floating in the Charles River basin. The man was identified as a former inmate of the Charlestown prison, by name Albert E. Balley, aged thirty-six, the identification being made by the prison warden. The case had the appearance of suicide. Bailey had claimed a former residence in Pepperell, which accounted for the communication. After hours spent in a research on the case, however, Chief Smith decided the man had no legal communication. After hours spent in a research on the case, however, Chief Smith decided the man had no legal residence here and notified the examiner in Boston to that effect. If the identification was correct, the party is one who has lived at times past with different families on River street. He had quite a record before leaving town, having been connected with several breaks, and since leaving here was convicted and senterced for similar offense.

Mrs. Ida Boynton and dought.

for similar offense.

Mrs. Ida Boynton and daughter
Flora went to Mt. Holyoke last week
to attend commencement at the college, Miss Margaret being one of the
orraduates.

The German measles have been The German meastes have been prevident in town, keeping many school children out the last two weeks, and in some cases probably preventing their passing into the higher grade.

William Thayer, from Rochester, N. H., spent the week-end in town. His small niece, Parrica, came with him for a short visit.

Mrs. Webster and maid from Brook-

c. from Beachmont were 2 ass wn the carry part of the wee - w. 1 Joseph Daves

Miss Jane Marshall is carried for Mrs. William Roles, which is the Service of cooling from her latter.

has been retined een retrined as overseer, with as Stone and others in that vicinof, but the mope is generally expressed that the amount architecture of the company contains to charge matchinecture of the company as the co

parents, Mr. and Mrs. Rainsford De-ware, on Saturday afternoon, June 23, at four o'clock. The marriage is among the many others which are hastened by the "war cloud," as Mr. French expects to be called to Platts-burg in Camp No. 2. He is a gradu-ate from the University of Vermont, class of 1916.

Mrs. Ida Bayaton and daughter Woman's Missionary society will be second year in practical arts course. held at the parsonage on Wednesday Mr. Stevenson is actively connected with the Boys club, Fitchburg Y. M. C. A. has hen two years instructor at the college. Mrs. Margaret beltz one of the All ladies are invited.

The ringing of church bells at mine of clock for the Liberty loan startled mathed as was not as strengous at method as was adopted in Milford N. H. There the fire aiarm was sounded and manswer to inquiries everyone was fold to "Buy a Liberty loan bond."

Prof. and Mrs. Woodman and children arrived by atto at the Smith homestead Tuesday from New York.

Another case of diphtheria developed this week in the family of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Davis, their nine-year-old son, "Billy" Davis, being the patient. The child is a pupil at Ground and the Dwyer boy was taken fit with the sume disease about two weeks ago.

The Davis boy has been sick since Sat-

mn encon year to kerve turce years. The other article concerns the purchase of that part of Parker's hill from which graved may be obtained for the roads.

Mrs. Harry Brown and friend, Miss Edith MacPherson, of Canton, have been the guests of Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Slocombe this week.

The Pepperell hikh school alumniwill hold the annual reception to the graduating class on Friday evening.

June 20 at the usual place.

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June 22, at Prescott hall. Music by Thayer's orchestra.

Fred S. Bancroft, of this town, meliging of the Middlesex County Farm Bureau, Miss A. G. Halbower, will give a deministration at the Tabell street cooks and soncussion of the brain, and to cause a scalp wound and concussion of the brain, and to cause an injury to the neck and nerve centers at the back of the head. He returned home that night as usual, and on Tuesday, although suffering at the British of the Br

nearest to the west, with but a narrow driveway between, but the occupants did not move anything from their rooms, trusting to the wet night and the ready volume of water. The corner of the Pike stable and shop came in for the most singeing, but were saved. The house had not been occupied for a short time, but was being fitted up as a boarding house for the new operatives at the paper mill. Quite a quan-

Mrs. John B Lewis returned on Wednesday from attending her class reamin at Abbutt academy. Andover, at short time, but was being fitted up as a boarding house for the new oper. The members enjuyed the occasion, the presence of some of their children adding to the event.

The W. C. T. U. will hold their annual reception for all eiderly people of the town, seventy years of are and ower at the Contregational every on the course and ower at the Contregational every on the course and west of the town, seventy years of are and ower at the Contregational every on the course and ower at the Contregational every on the course and the seventy of the town, seventy years of are and ower at the Contregational every of the town, seventy years of are and ower at the Contregational every of the town, seventy years of are and ower at the Contregational every of the town, seventy years of are and ower at the Contregational every of the town, seventy years of are and ower at the Contregational every of the town, seventy years of the fishing party Mrs. F. W. Levejoy, seentertaining the august of the town, seventy years of the fishing party Mrs. Bell. of Pennacook, N. H.

The members of the fishing party Mrs. Weston, Attinder, Coy, Harris and Gilman, revening from Beargle by Lakes last week report 2 of 1 sport but odd weather. Show and ce were visible on Baild Mountain, where they camped, and the New Hampshire are are, including Mr. Washination, was snew covered. Joseph Attindep provided the sar fisherman in point of numbers of the fire and the second of the fire was to the probable ordina.

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At the methodist courementee new heating apparatus is to be added to take the place of the old furnace which had proved inadequate. Excavations are being made and a larger furnace will be placed for the church and the smaller one under the large vestry.

About Town.

The relief committee of Prudence Wright chapter. D. A. R., sent 516 dressings and 96 polled bandages to Lowell last week he result of the work done at the chapter house during the last week of two: also, 36 knit sponges, 24 bags for "tucker" pillows, and two pairs of wristlets, which were donated. The chapter house will not open for work-on Monday, June 18.

Dr. Frederick R. MacGrail is in Joseph Barber has joined the saw-Dr. Frederick R. MacGrail is in Boston this week, taking a special course for the dental reserve corps.

The next meeting of Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., will be held at the chapter house on Monday after-noon. Hostesses, Mrs. Rolan Blood. Mrs. N. M. R. Gutterson, Mrs. M. J. Mault and Miss Josie Lawrence.

Other Pepperell matter on page 3. HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Nows Items.

On last Tuesday evening the Grange held its usual meeting, and as this was children's night the program was given by the children as follows: Piano duet, Bernice Lovejoy and Florence Pineo: recitations Eleanor Marvel, Rheta Lock; whistling solo, Hazel Lovejoy; recitations, Judith Brown, Loren Lock, Henry Pineo and Francis Morrill. Ice cream and cake were served and a social time enjoyed by the little people.

On Thursday afternoon the Ladies'

On Thursday afternoon the Ladies' Reading and Charitable society met in the ladies' parlor with Mrs. Ralph E. Tenney, Mrs. Elmer Boulton and Mrs. Frank Bell as hostesses.

Sunday was children's day and

with the Boys club, Fitching 1. 32 C. A., has heen two years instructor at the Fitching playground, prominent in high school, normal and city affection of the better and is now the normal school reporter for local papers.

Supt. Hill presented diplomas to the members of the Carliste graduating class Friday evening.

The Littleton church was represented by twenty-four at the Unitarian conference in Ashby Thursday. They report an exceptionally good program and a very pleasant time.

It is expected that there will be a flag raising at the public library Monday, June 18, at 8.10 a. m. All come. A box for the Red Cross will be sent to Boston early in the week of June 18. Finished articles kindly send to Mrs. J. M. Hartwell.

The teachers in our public schools have all signified their intentions to accept re-elections except Miss Hodges

The warrant issued for the special town meeting to be held in the town hall this week Friday evening, consists of an article to see if the town will yof to choose three selectment to green method of the special resent method of thosesing as about two weeks ago.

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William Brown and Langdon Prouty were present at the Brattleboro, Vt., cattle sale at which George W. Whit-comb bought the cow that topped the sale in price

Joseph Barber has joined the saw-mill unit that left for England Thurs-

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Fuller of Winthrop are spending Sunday and Monday at Mrs. Minnie T. Johnson's. Rev. W. C. Brown has been in West Virginia several days this week.

Mrs. W. C. Brown selected a room at Wellesley this week for her daugh-ter Elizabeth, who is to enter college this fall.

The Tufts college students are ex-pected home today or the first of next The Charles Gordons of Newton spent the week-end at P. L. Brown's, Foster street.

The Littleton boys lost in the ball game with Westford, the score being 8-4 against them.

A large delegation from the Littleton, church attended the spring conference in Ashby Thursday.

Most of the camps at the Littleton ponds are occupied for three days and many will remain in use for the sum-

mer.

Last Saturday and Sunday Miss Alice
Howard had the pleasure of being in
Prof. Barton's party in the trip to Mt.
Tom and Mt. Holyoke. The rain spoiled
some of their happiness, but they managed to get all the things in they had
planned. At 6.30 Sunday morning before it began to rain the party had fore it began to rain the party had their before breakfast walk and at one their before breakfast walk and at one of the loveliest places stopped and Prof. Barton read two poems. "The thought of God" and "Sunday morning on the mountain," taken from a little book which he always carries with him and which he had when he was with Peary up North. After breakfast—the company again tramped around and at noon returned to the hotel, drenched, but full of fun and certainly with all formality broken down.

machine.

The finance committee of the public safety has received from public subscriptions \$225, besides other contributions for the work.

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Rev. Joseph McKean on Sunday evening in Memorial hall.

Graduation exercises will be held in Memorial hall on Thursday evening. June 21: Music, Thayer's orchestra. Band concert on the common Friday vening, June 15, weather permitting

Mrs. Amanda E. Gordon, of Reed's
Ferry, N. H., is enjoying a visit with
her sister, Mrs. John Spaulding, on the
fitchburg road.

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We want several taring
list, as we are having numerous calls
for farms with two to fifty acres. Anyone desiring to dispose of his farm

Frank B. Higgins, chairman of the public safety committee, attended the mass meeting which was held in Ayer on Tuesday, afternoon. Rev. and Mrs. Robertson were recent visitors in town at Mr. and Mrs. Dow's. They had with them a little girl which they have recently adopted.

Charles W. Clinton recently went to Tarrytown, Conn., to work, where sev-eral Townsend boys are employed. Joseph Temple, who recently lost his blacksmith shop by fire, has accepted a position as a tool dresser in Boston.

Joseph Temple, Jr., has enlisted in the navy as a steam-fitter. Mrs. George Wyeth returned home in Wednesday after spending the winger months in California with her two sons and their families.

George Clark has recently purchased new Ford car. Dr. Chariton was in town on busi-

ness, Monday. Mrs. John Arlin and Mrs. Michael avoic were in Fitchburg on Thursday

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