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PEPPEREIL

We note in a recent Boston daily

News Items

Nows Items

Fred S. Bancroft, who was the vicinin of a curious accident a short time ago at the Brighton stock yards, is improved sufficiently to return to his work there this week.

Dr. Nelson Wood took a short vacation over the Fourth and the remainder of the week with his parents in Springfield.

Mr. and Mrs. A. N. Sederquist and two sons came from Waitham by auto, visiting over the Fourth with Rev. and Mrs. George M. Newhall, Towns who are the blonging to Harry K. White came from Boston and was placed in his new purchase, the Col, Prescott place.

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We note in a recent Boston daily Mr. and Mrs. James Dunn enterthan With Rev. with a New Fowler, "the well take Sunapee, N. H., and between fishing trips is finish the spring ing up his book No. 34." Mr. Fowler spending up his services on Sunday at the South trices on Sunday at the South the services on Sunday at the South trices on Sunday at the South the services on Sunday at the South Winthrop over the week-and."

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Myron Murphy, who has recently been employed at the railroad station in Ayer as telegraph operator, was transferred here last week to a similar position at the station on the Worces-ter and Nashua division.

ter and Nashua division.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred diffesple and two
sons arrived from Philadelphia, Pa.,
Sunday. They are the guests of Mrs.
Emily Gillesple on the South road.
The family will spend the summerhere, Mr. Gillesple having but one
week of vacation at his old home.

Light recently received here from
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half, now acting as regular nurse in
base hospital No. 5, in France, with
the Harvard unit, gives us some unvarnished, uncensored facts concerning certain details. He speaks of being one of the force sent out on a con-

In the morning, when 124 stretchers were brought to his hospital, and speaks of his ward holding fifty-two, as "filling up." In speaking of the daily routine he speaks of the food as rather poor and scanty at that. Breakfasts of bread, alcomargarine and weak coffee, and dinners of the ned meats, with rice instead of potatoes, and no available vegetables or green garden food, although they are hopling for some change soon. When actual facts are presented in this manner it seems to bring matters nearer home, and makes the result of our "garden fad" something more than a Joke.

Mrs. Thomas Byrnes and son spent

Mrs. Angus Cuthbertson and son Clyde with friends, Mrs. Shroeder and son and daughter, all from Fitchburg, were guests of Mrs. Robert Sherwood over Sunday, coming here from Groton with Mrs. Maude Lackey, whom they had been visiting.

Mrs. Allen McElenney, as usual.

Mrs. Amos Boulia is entertaining her father. Mr. Lacrosse, of Lebanon, N. H., this week.

At the auction sale of the Frank H. Behrens property on Monday afternoon the late residence of Mr. Behrens on Mill street was bid off by C.

Raymond Paull has gone to New-port, R. I., where he goes on duty as a yeoman

David Sharpe has assumed his duties as superintendent at the Nashua River Paper Mills, filling the position left vacant by the resignation of Mr. McMurray. Mr. McMurray.

Mrs. Frank Kennedy has been en-tertaining Miss Ruth Hagstrom of New York and the Misses. Walton and Chinn, of Brighton, at Pinehurst, for

38¢ VOILES now 25¢ per yard

Center Aisle

Right Aisle



Miss Blanche Supernault started for Bay City, Mich., Monday to visit her brother, having changed her plans from spending the summer at New

Mr. and Mrs. Lindsay Perry of Som-erville spent last week in town with relatives.

Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Sanborn of Boston, former residents on Oak hill, are spending the summer at the home of Mrs. Allen McElhenney, as usual.

At the auction sale of the Frank H. Behrens property on Monday afternoon the late residence of Mr. Behrens on Mill street was bid off by C. F. Worcester of Ayer for \$1350. The double tenement house on Chapel place was bid off by Rainsford Deware for \$1850. No bids were made on the house on Cottage lirest.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ashton, with

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Ashton, with riends, motored here from Fitchburg or a short call on relatives and friends

Mrs. Spurgeon Cuthbertson went to Sunapee, N. H., Tuesday, to take back home her two nephews, Nathaniel and Richard Parker, who have been visit-

Richard Parker, who have been visiting relatives here. Mrs. M. A. Cuthbertson came from Fitchburg to keep house for her somduring her absence. The death of Julius Thayer occurred on Thursday evening at his home on Pleasant street Richarday, weeks of illness, aged about sixty-six years. He leaves a wife, four sons and two daughters, who have the sympathy of the entire community. Services will be held at St. Joseph's church on Saturday morning at nine o'clock.

Mrs. Cassidy, thinking her husband was rather late in coming home on Saturday with his pay, went to the police station to inquire if he was there.

"Is my Pat here?" she asked.

"No." replied the desk officer; "but sit down, we're expecting him every minute."

Doctor—You will have to give up all nental work for a few weeks.
Patient—But, doctor, in that event ay income would cease. I earn my wing by writing poems for the maga-

Doctor—Oh, you can keep right of at that.

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The Pepperell Clarion-Advertises The Littleton Guidon The Westford Wardsman The Harvard Hillside The Shirley Oracle
The Townsend Tocair The Brookline (N. H.) Beacon The Hollis (N. H.) Homestead

Entered as second-class matter at the postoffice at Ayer, Mass.

Saturday, July 14, 1917.

WESTFORD

Center.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph E. Knight are enjoying a two-weeks' vacation with relatives in White River Junction, Royalston, and Windsor. During Mr. Knight's absence Henry Colburn is taking care of the Congregational church.

Mr. and Mrs. Preston H. Skidmore and daughter Elaine and Mrs. William R. Carver and children, Elizabeth and William, go this week-end for a stay at Chatham Beach. The party drive down to the cape in the Skidmore auto.

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The meeting for the canning demonstration was unavoidably postponed from July 11 to Wednesthy, July 25. Again all the housewives and young people are heartily invited to be present. Miss Alma G. Halbower is the home demonstration agent for the Middlesex County Farm Bureau and is a Yery capable and practical teacher and is highly recommended by all who have seen and heard her. The time and place is Wednesday, July 25, at two clock, in the town hall.

Mrs. Anna M. Grant, of Lowell, an-

Mrs. Anna M. Grant, of Lowell, an-Mrs. Anna M. Grant, of Lowell, an-nounces the engagement of her daugh-ter, Elsie May, to Elmer Clark Mat-thews, L. T. S. '17. Miss Grant is pleasantly remembered as the skilful and popular dancing school teacher-two-seasons ago and has many friends in Westford.

was most welcome to lay the dust and for the growing crops, although it upset the plans of the hay-makers.

J. W. Rafter is reported as doing nicely at the Lowell General hospital and is expected home soon.

The Oaklands play the Littleton team Saturday at Whitney playground. This will be an interesting game and friends should turn out well and give the team of Westford boys all the friendly encouragement they can. In last week's game with the Emeralds of Lowell the Westford boys won by the score of 12 to 4.

The only and place on the Capt. Pellettah Fletcher place on the Lowell road have had new, fresh beans from their garden. This beats all other Stony Brook valley farmers.

Mæsrs. F. W. Bannister, Guy R. Decatur, Amos Polley and S. L. Taylor have sowed several acres of buck-wheat. When in bloom good for honey; when ripened good for bread—the triendly encouragement they can. In last week's game with the Emeralds of Lowell the Westford boys won by the score of 12 to 4.

Word comes to Westford friends of the serious illness of Dimock Sutherland, of Newton, and of the John Hancock Insurance Co., of Boston. Mr. Sutherland is afflicted with a tumor on the brain and goes to Philadelphia this work and control of the sum of t the brain and goes to Philadelphia this week to undergo a very critical and delicate operation in the hope that his life may be spared. Mrs. Sutherland and his daughter Thelma accompany him. A. H. Sutherland, of this town is his brother, and while the senior Mr and Mrs. Sutherland had a home here the Dimock Sutherlands were frequent visitors in this village.

Red Cross Subscribers,

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Westford's subscription to the special fund for Red Cross work, amounting to nearly \$52,000, was a generous one. Those contributing five dollars and more are given in this list and grateful acknowledgement is made to those who gave lesser amounts, which would gladly be published did space permit. Thanks is also due to the committees who worked so hard and so faithfully.

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Fortnighty Club

About Town.

Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher and fam-ly were guests in the State of Maine before and after the Fourth.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kirk of Leom-inster spent the last of the week as guests of Miss Emily Catchpole.

and his many other relatives here fo

Joseph Murphy, who left here a short time ago to enlist in the navy as a wireless operator, spent Sunday as the guest of Mr. and Mrs. John. Edwards. Mr. Murphy wore the unfform of the U. S. navy.

PEPPERELL

About Town.

S. A. S. A. P.

The Special Aid society held its regular weekly meeting on Monday, July 8, at its rooms. Over fifty workers in were present. At three o'clock the Jonatoman, Miss. Appleton, called the acommittee of thirty appointed in April together and reports were called for Mrs. Lewis, secretary, rend reports of recent Special Aid regular meetings and Miss Mary Sullivan, treasurer, resported bills paid and \$68.00 in treasury. Mrs. Gutterson, chairman of the finance committee, reported all bills were in the hands of the treasurer.

Mrs. Leon P. Rithardson, chairman of the enrollment committee, gave a

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The eldest of these three was Wil-lam Hickling Prescott, the historian. He was born in Salem in May 1796. The family removed to Boston in 1808, and the young lad became one of the William Burnett is confined to his home with a severe cold and is under the care of a physician.

Alvin S. Bennett, the oldest man in the village, who is now in his ninety-lifest year, journeyed to Ayer last week Thursday and inspected the army quarters. Then he continued on his way to Worcker, where he spent the remainder of the week with relatives sunday he enjoyed an auto trip home, accompanying him on the return trip home, accompanying him on the return trip to this affliction and subsequent life of the returned after a four-years absence in Europe and England. The collowing year he was married to Miss Susan Amory, of Boston.

Accomplete keefe of Townsend of the resisters, the Misses Edith and Sarah Precious.

Mr. and Mrs. John Campling and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the sisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the sisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the sisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of Lawrence returned Saturation of the rosisters, the Misses Edith and family of

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Mr. and Mrs. Albert Kirk of Leominster spent the last of the week as guests of Miss Emily Catchpole.

Mr. and Mrs. Miles Collins were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Collins faves of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Collins of Southbridge on Saturday and Sunday. Misses Emily and Ethel Collins spent the week-end with relatives in Haverhill.

Th Martin Service baseball team was to play the Forge Village A. Chere Saturday afternoon, but failed to appear. A game was arranged with a picked-up team with the Spinner borothers for the battery. This is the first time the Spinner boys have played together for several years and they rearlied chome, the lacon.

dtogether for several years and they nearly carried home the bacon.

The meeting of the Red Cross Sewing circle will be held in the sewing Tuesday afternoon, July 17. The sewing will be in charge of Miss Marion It. Blodgett, instead of Miss Eva F. Oryne, who is unable to continue the work.

Corporal Edward Blodgett of Co. E. 5th regiment, is visiting his grand-parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Weaver, and his many other relatives here for fall, until, to quote the historian him. upon me." It was about this time that Sir Charles and Lady Lyell, whom he had become acquainted with in England, paid him a visit at his ancestral home, and were delighted with its

charm.

In speaking of the quiet life of the historian and his family at this time, his legal advisor, William Gardiner, who was called upon to draw up successive wills, in referring to them says: About Town.

The War Relief committee of Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., has sent a third consignment to the Red Cross at Lowell, consisting of 138 bandages and 456 dressings, making for the six weeks since the work hegan, 1452 dressings and 396 bandages.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., will hold an all-day meeting on Wednesday, July 18, at the chapter house. Box luncheon. Each one may bring a guest. In charge of the Pigrimage committee, Mrs. Bessie Allen, chairman.

heritor of his blood to part with this possession.

In 1858-he was attacked-with a first illness from slight apoplexy, which yielded to treatment to a certain degree, but which left him with diminished strength and mental powers. In January, 1859, he suffered a second attack of the same disease, from which he never ralled. His death occurred at his Boston home, and his burial was in the family tomb, under St. Paul church. He was survived by his wife and three children. William Gardiner Prescott, born in 1826; Elizabeth, born 1828, and Amory, born 1830.

(To be continued.)

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HARVARD-

Word was received Tuesday that the lumbermen's war unit, in which Le-land Whitney and Hobert Sheehan are enrolled, had reached England.

enrolled, had reached England.

Mrs. Bert Haskell, with Mrs. Emma Whitney and Mrs. West, motored to Nashua on Wednesday to see Andrew Haskell, who is now on his eighth week under treatment for mastoids. He has a very stubborn case and has undergone four operations, but the hospital doctor feels that he is improving at present. Master Andrew is up and around and feels fine, and suffers scarcely any inconvenience from his treatment.

Edwin Houghton was taken last

Edwin Houghton was taken last week to the Peter Brigham hospital, Boston, where he was operated on for his foot trouble, the result of stepping on a nall several weeks ago. The report on Wednesday is very favorable and Mr. Houghton is getting along

Ex-Judge Terry, with his wife and daughters, of Somerville, are guests at the Kerley house. They are regular summer visitors here and have many friends among the townspeople. Chapman, of Oakdale, drilling a well for George T. Gale's new house, found a supply of splendid water at forty-three feet this week, the supply being estimated at ten gallons per minute. A final clean-out and test is to be made again this week.

Miss Dorothy West goes next week for an eight-day camping trip as a guest of the Massachusetts Agricultural Boys' and Girls' club at Amherst. This is as a prize for excellence in work made last season.

Irving Taylor is out with a new runabout car. going back and forth to his work in

Walter Dickson is boarding at home, going back and forth to his work in Ayer daily.

Children's day was observed at the Congregational church last Sunday and as usual the children shone in their best and surely deserve lots of praise for their good work. Exceptionally good numbers were given by Marjorie Cleaves, who sang two solos. Generative Mead gave two readings, one Barbara Freitche," deserving special praise. The following program was given: Organ prelude; Lord's prayer; and will be heard, that the petitioner does not best and discovered to the state of the man; exercises, primary department; violin solo, Kenneth West, Marjorie Houghton; cornet solo, Raymond Kinsman; exercises, primary department; violin solo, kenneth West, vocal duet, the was also chorus singing by the Studay school and congregation. After the exercises Supt. A. C. Fuller presented gold wreaths to Kenneth West and Haymond Kinsman for perfect attendance for two years, and bibles were also presented to Miss Mildred Hurlburt and Miss Mildred Cobb for memorizing portions of the Scriptures.

The next meeting of the Grange July 17, will be short story or pay a fine of ten cents to the lecturer, who will contribute the amount thus collected to the State Grange educational and fund. The total amount collected from the box lunch was \$4.75, and it is hoped that members will contribute the amount thus collected to the State Grange educational and fund. The total amount collected from the box lunch was \$4.75, and it is hoped that members will contribute the amount thus collected to the State Grange educational and fund. The total amount collected from the box lunch was \$4.75, and it is hoped that members will contribute the amount thus collected to the State Grange educational and fund. The total amount tollected from the box lunch was \$4.75, and it is hoped that members will contribute the amount thus collected to the State Grange educational and fund. The total amount collected from the law of the collected to the State Grange educational and fund. Ayer daily.

Mrs. Jacob C. Beach, of Somerville spending the week with her sister. in-law, Mrs. Fred A. Whitney, and family,

Miss Grace P. Nogler is visiting with her sister, Mrs. A. E. Smith, in South-

Nance O'Nell, in "Soule-in bondage," in five parts, an original play by Daniel Carson Goodman, will be the feature of the motion picture show this Saturday evening. A Frank Daniels. Also, Hughie Mack and

The hancial results of the Fourth of July celebration for the benefit of the Red Cross are very gratifying. The total receipts amounted to \$328.48 and after all expenses were paid \$269.04 was left for the war fund. Altogather Harvard has contributed \$1500 toward this fund, a sum which well exceeded the hopes of the most optomistic.

Expressions of appreciation from the officers of Clinton chapter prove that the splendid work Harvard has been doing for the Red Cross is recog-nized at headquarters.

Will residents of Harvard who have joined the Red Cross through other branches than the Harvard Auxiliary kindly send their names to the Red. Cross tea-room or to the secretary, Miss E. M. Hubachek, that the list of Harvard members may be complete.

New Advertisements.

CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank the Har Fire Department and neighbors for timely aid last Saturday morning.

Harvard, Mass., July 10, 1917.

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- Boston, Mass., June 18, 1917. To the Board of Selectmen of the Town of Ayer, Massachusetts.

The New England Telephone and Telegraph Company of Massachusetts respectfully asks your Honorable Board for permission to lay and maintain underground conduits and manholes, with the wires and cables to b placed therein, under the surface of the following street: Main Street, from our present conduit

near Washington Street to approx imately 400 feet easterly of Co-lumbia Street.

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Plans showing location of conduit constructed to be filed after completion of the work.

The New England Telephone and Tele graph Company of Massachusetts. By GEO. H. DRESSER, JR.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN



Ayer, Mass., June 25, 1917. ORDERED that a public hearing be held on the foregoing petition on Mon day, the sixteenth day of July 1917, at cight o'clock P. M., in the Selectmen's Room in the Town Hall in said Ayer at which time and place all persons in-terested in said petition may appear and will be heard; that the petitioner

HUNTLEY S. TURNER, GEORGE H. B. TURNER, Executors. Ayer, Mass., June 27, 1917. 3144

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of SARAH CHAZEN late of Shritey in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

JOSEPH, T. HAZEN, Adm'r. 8 Webster Avenue, Allston, Mass., July 5, 1917. 3t44

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TOWNSEND

Center.

The Fourth of July passed off the of cousins from Newton who motored quietest for many years. Even the small boy seemed to feel the effects of the atmosphere of soberness which begins to pervade the land.

Miss Wilner Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Marshall of the

Lester A. Aspinwall and Clarence Wyman returned on Sunday from Hubbard pond, Rindge, N. H., where they spent a week fishing.

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Frank B. Higgins has installed a new Lippincott soda foundall.

There will be no moving pictures on Saturday evening on account of the Chautauqua, which opens on Saturday afternoon for a five-days' session, both afternoon and evening with Junior Chautauqua at nine o'clock every morning except Sunday. All school children of all ages are invited to meet at Memorial hall on Saturday afternoon and join in a parade. They are requested to bring flags or will flowers and those who have bicypy bring those to use in the parade. The participating in the parade will fave free admission to the opening entertainment. Their pictures will be taken and will be shown at the Saturday and out-of-doors sports with which they were entertained. en and will be shown at the Satur

Children's night was observed by the Grange on Monday evening. There were about fifty children present and as many adults, making a large audi-ence. The exercises were opened by remarks by Miss Redden, advance agent for the Chautauqua, after which remarks by Miss Redden, advance agent for the Chautauqua, after which the following program was given by the children, under the direction of Mrs. Winnifred Farrar and Mrs. Agnes Wood: Piano duet, Hazel Domina and Hazel Farrar; fiag exercise, "Your country needs you," in charge of Edna W. Bray, stiven by Earl and Dudley Bagley, Georgo Slinger and Eddle Gray; dialouge, "The school savings bank," ten children, assisted by Ruth and Mildred Stearns and Prof. A. G. Seaver; piano solo, Ernest Dow; vocal solo, "Love in a bungalow," Florence Higglins; piano solos, Florence Misner: Louise Drake; Hazel Farrar; Hazel Domina; "America," all. After the program light refreshments of tee cream and cake were served in the banquet hall and games were enjoyed until a late hour. until a late hour.

The library will not be open at the usual hours on Saturday on account of the Chautauqua, but will be open from the close of the afternoon Chautauqua until seven in the evening.

Mrs. Grace Simpson, of Lowell, is visiting Mrs. Frank Barber. Miss Ruth Morse is visiting her aunt in New Ipswich, N. H.

Miss Gertrude Wells, of Malden. ade a short visit with Mrs. Vernal Barber last week.

Miss Alberta Barber spent the week-end with her former classmate, Miss Esther Amsden, in Shirley. Miss Sarah Copeland, of Montclair,

N. J., is home for the summer with her father. Thomas Copeland.

ner fatner, rnomas Copeland.

The Misses Margaret and Lillian McCormick, teachers from Boston, are occupying the Frank Barber place. Frank Barber and family are staying at what was formerly the Evans farm.

Miss Mildred Sanders, a former Townsend girl, is with the Mordelia Novelty Musical Company, as soloist, and will be here during the course of the Chautauqua. Her many friends will be pleased with the opportunity of listening to her solos on Wednesday, July 18, when the company is listed on the program to appear here. Chautauqua Program.

The following is the program of the Townsend Chautauqua, which will be in town July 14-19:

in town July 14-13:

Saturday, July 14—2.30, series lecture; concert, the Berkeley Sextet, instrumental and vocal music. Evening, 7.30, concert, the Berkeley Sextet; lecture; "The rights of the child." Leonora M. Lake; chronophotographs.

Sunday, July 15, sacred concert and address at hour to be announced. Monday, July 15—2.30, series lecture; concert, Colangelo's Italian band and venetian troubadores, with Millicent Melrose, soprano. 7.30, concert, Colangelo's band and Miss Melrose.

Tuesday, July 17, 2.50, series lecture; entertainment, McDonough-Baird Co.; lecture, "The joy of living," Paul M. Pearson.

Wednesday, July 15—2.30, series lectures with Milling and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtille.

The library reading-room has on exhibition three portfolios of pictures containing copies of some of the Ashby road.

Edward R. McElligott, of Boston, has been a recent guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Duncan Rusk.

Miss Belle Lovering is in Leomin-ster, where she is employed during the summer vacation.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Copeland and of Townsend hill, and Arthur Smith, of Waltham, have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtille.

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An accident, which fortunately escaped having serious results, took place at the farm of Mrs. Addle Wyeth on the North road in Josselynville on Sunday evening. The flooring ville on Sunday evening. The flooring of the lean-to, where two cows and a of the lean-to, where two cows and a calf were kept, gave way and precipitated them into the barn ceilar, eight or ten feet below. It seemed remarkable that none of the animals were in any way injured. Both Mrs. Evans and her father had but a few minutes before left the place to prepare for milking, and while the accident causes much inconvenience just in "haying time," they feel most thankful that no serious damage was done. serious damage was done.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Lancey have returned from their automobile trip and are stopping with Mrs. Lancey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thomp-

tained a party of friends from Ash-burnham at her home on Main street. Mrs. M. L. Willard enjoyed a visit

begins to pervade the land.

Milton W. Wilder spent the holiday of the Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Marshall, of the Center, is assisting as waitress at the Walter Wilder.

Miss Wilner Marshall, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Marshall, of the Center, is assisting as waitress at the Walter Wilder.

hey were entertained. Mrs. Sarah P. Winship has sold her place to Joshua C. Gray, of Concord. The place comprises three acres of land, with several bearing apple trees a story and a half house with six rooms, hardwood floors, electric lights and with six points and which we have the sixty of the sixty with with the sixty with the sixty with the sixty with the sixty with and water at the sink. There is a barn and several out-buildings. Mr. Gray was recently married and buys for a home. Mrs. Winship at present is stopping in Ayer. Fred A. Smith, of Ayer, was the broker who handled the

Williams Mills, of Josselynville, and Harry and Louis Streeter, of Waltham, attended the firemen's muster in Ash-burnham on July 4.

Mr. and Mrs. William W. Webster spent the week-end in Revere.

Mrs. James Glison, formerly of Ash-by, who has been boarding at the Center, is making her home with Mr. and Mrs. Walter Weston.

and Mrs. Walter Weston.

Mrs. Rebecca Kaddy, who has been spending a few days with relatives on Stevens' hill, has returned to the Center, where she is employed.

Invitations to the wedding reception of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Leigh Crowse at the home of the bride's parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Parsons, of Amesbury, last Saturday evening. Mr. and Mrs. Parsons were former residents of Mrs. Parsons were former residents of Mrs. Parsons were former residents of this village, and Mrs. Crowse is their oldest daughter, Hazel.

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Lancey have returned from their trip to the White Mountains and are stopping with Mrs. Lancey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph

Miss Helen Bennett is spending a part of her summer vacation with relatives in Forge Village. Mrs. Hattie Blood is spending a few

weeks with her daughters at their farm in Mason, N. H.

George Thorning, of Temple, N. H., and his son Charles, from Littleton, have been spending a few days at their nome on the Ashby road.

Melrose, soprano. 7.30, concert. Colangelo's band and Miss Melrose.

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West.

Harry Streeter, of Waltham, is visiting his brothers, Ashbel and George Streeter.

Fred Howard, of Stoneham, was at the home of Mrs. Charles R. Morgan the last of the week, and on Saturday mrs. Morgan accompanied him home for a fortnight's visit with relatives in Melrose and that vicinity, taking the summer from dupon the last of the week, and on Saturday mrs. Morgan accompanied him home for a fortnight's visit with relatives in Melrose and that vicinity, taking the summer from dupon the last of the week, and on Saturday mrs. Morgan accompanied him home for a fortnight's visit with relatives in Miss Myra Dodge is visiting her grandmother in Beverly this week.

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Jesse Dodge is at the Radio school in Boylston street, Boston, studying radio telegraphy.

The West End branch of the surgical deresings of the Townsend her Eith of Miss Mabel Simonds, of Fitch-burg, who is pleasantly remembered her as proprietress of the Townsend her have submers, and the townspeople will long enjoy and appreciate her kind remembrance of them townspeople will long enjoy and appreciate her kind remembrance of them townspeople will long enjoy and appreciate her kind remembrance of them townspeople will long enjoy and appreciate her kind remembrance of them townspeople will long enjoy and appreciate her kind remembrance of them townspeople will long enjoy and appreciate her kind remembrance of them townspeople will long e

reading-table and shelves.

Mrs. George Harwood, from Barre, is visiting at the home of her daughter. Mrs. W. A. Boutwell.

The many friends of Mrs. Charles R. Morgan are pleased to learn that she felt no ill effects from her automobile trip to Stoneham last Saturday, and that she is-enjoying a very please ant vacation with relatives in that town and Melrose, receiving visits from her intimate friends and renewing acquaintance with those formerly associated with her in church and social activities.

Word has been received here of the

Word has been received here of the death of William Wyman, of Lunenburg, who was killed on Monday afternoon by a fall from a load of logs, and whose body was brought to the undertaking rooms at the Center to await burial. He was a native of this town and leaves three brothers, Emory, Allen and George Wyman, and two sisters, Clara and Martha Wyman, all of this village.

Chautangua, week at the Center of the Pacific N distant suburb.

Mrs. Emma J. Lees visited in Boston last week and heard an address by Mrs. Janet Rankin.

LITTLETON

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Alton Hunt will set up housekeeping in Leominster, where he is now located in business for the government.

Miss Helen B. Hartwell of North-ampton is visiting relatives and friends in this her former home town. Ralph McNiff's auction sale of cat

large assembly of cattle men from the surrounding country and good prices were averaged for his herd of thirty

Miss Maud Mitchell, head of the French department in Chelsea High school, J. A. Harwood, principal of Lunenburg High and Misses Abble Mc-Nin and Esther McEnnis of Greater Boston are at home for vacation,

Edward Hagan recently called on Littleton friends. He is now stationed at Ayer camp. The meetings of the West End Neighborhood club have been discon-tinued for the summer.

Miss Ruby Black has recovered from severe attack of German measies. Rev. William Channing Brown and mily have gone to Chautauqua for

Frank McGovern's house in New Estate road is progressing well and will be completed in another month probably. Peter J. Smith's house will be ready for occupancy in the early fail if everything goes well.

Mr. Guest and family, of Nashua, N. H., were recent visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. McNayr.

Mr. and Mrs. McNayr.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Whittemore, of Winghendon, have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lovering.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Gardner were

recent visitors at J. H. Whitcomb's. Mrs. Josephine Holton of Fitchburg is now visiting Mrs. Whitcomb.

About twenty Littleton people attended the Ayer pageant Thursday night of last week and speak enthusiastically of the performance. Patrick Dorsey is critically ill from effects of a shock and other compli-

We regret that some items were mitted from the Littleton column and others abbreviated in last week's issue of the Guidon.

Sixteen fast drivers of automobiles were held up in two days recently and warned for having violated the motor vehicle laws in regard to speeding etc. The town fathers have design: etc. The town fathers have design on some others who are driving reck

The asphaltum has at last arrived and with extra help the highway commission department is fast laying the that is not helping out the from Center to Common. The Miss Emily Orr has closed her flome on Main street for the present and is employed in New Ipswich. N. H., for the summer.

Charles Welch, of Worcester, has been visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Welch.

Charles Welch, of Worcester, has not been visiting his mother, Mrs. Mary Welch.

Many littleton pupils of Lawrence academy in the eighties are pained to learn of Rev. Nathan Thompson's death at his home in Laurel, Md., last week. He was the beloved principal of Lawrence academy thirty-one years are.

The J. H. Kimballs and Marion Smith motored to Rindge, N. H., last Sunday and visited the S. Z. Cleaves'

family Miss Jessie Smith spent Sunday with the Harold Rices in Roslindale

The 145 sheep that have been in uarantine here for three weeks were hipped a few days ago to Kentucky. It is reported that the Littleton Unit Brick Company will supply the brick for an extension soon to be made on Barry's block in Ayer.

A letter of appreciation has been re-ceived for the two boxes of hospital supplies already forwarded to Boston headquarters. Another box is nearly full and will be sent within a few days ivil and will be sent within a few days if the ladies who have work at home nearly completed will finish it and send the same to Mrs. Hartwell by Saturday night of this week.

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Gregory have opened the doors of their hospitable home to a group of ten little city chil-dren who will enjoy country week. Miss Beulah Kimball has visited her

returned from their automobile trip and are stopping with Mrs. Lance's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Thonipson.

Miss Chloe Brown, who has been with relatives in Manchester, N. H., has returned to her home.

The Ladies' society, which meets to work for the wounded soldiers in Francisco and Mrs. Clare and Martha Wyman, all of this village.

Chautiagua week at the Center commences on Saturday afternoon and a goodly number of season tickets have on the corner.

S. Leroy Shapleigh and family have returned to the home of her grandmother, the late Mrs. Mrs. Mary Foster.

Miss Mary Sanders has returned to the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Cutting, after a seyeral days' visit to her home in New Ipswish, N. H.

Mrs. Petts has taken the position of janitress at the real incomment of mrs. Mrs. Poster.

Mrs. A. Boutwell and family enjoyed a motor trip to the home of Mrs. Poster (well be a lecture by Leonora M. Mrs. Prank Hamilton, of Workier, spent the weeke-end at their form on Stevens' hill.

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stopping at the Squannicook Inn, has guaranty of the future improvement of the properties by the construction of homes. Like many other of our expectations, they frequently fail of week.

expected registration in the state as a whole. A plausible explanation lies in the fact that the estimate was made ensus returns. It was assumed that

ear on the various transcontinenta lines. After much jangling over the prohibition question this state will be "bone dry" after July 1, by virtue of the federal enactment. The bibulous lement is taking advantage of the permit system during the few remaining days of grace. Yesterday 2084 permits were issued by the county and permits were issued by the county auditor in Spokane in one day. Whether the police will be able to cope successfully with the army of "boot-leggers that will infest the country durants as Kipling says, "is

gers that will infest the country during the summer, as Kipling says, "is
another story."

While most of the adjacent states
will be as dry as Washington, a large
quantity of the "poison" will find its
way into Washington from Montana,
that state not being "bone dry."

D. H. Felch.

Cheney, Wash., June 23, 1917 New Advertisements

NOTICE OF HEARING.

Gasolene from an underground tank

Name

Application received July 5, 1917. JOHN D. CARNEY,

BOARD OF SELECTMEN

Ayer, Mass., July 7, 1917. ORDERED that a public hearing be held on the foregoing petition of Monday, the sixth day of August 1917. at eight o'clock P. M., in the Selectmen's Room in the Town Hall in said Ayer, at which time and place all persons interested in said petition may appear and will be heard; that the petitioner give notice of the time and place of said hearing by publishing an attested copy of said petition and of Spirit and The Ayer News, newspapers published in said Ayer, at least four-

teen days prior thereto. JOHN D. CARNEY DOUGLAS C. SMITH, LYMAN K, CLARK.

Selectmen of Ayer. A true copy of petition and order

LYMAN K CLARK, Clerk. -Mortgagee's Sale

tained in a certair mortgage deed given by Donald T. H.vers and Olive L. Rivers, both of Pepperell in the Counfor a fortnight's visit with relatives in Melrose and that vicinity, taking the trip by auto.

An accident which fortunately es
Mrs. George Harwood, from Barre.

An accident which fortunately eswith Middlesex South District Deeds Book 3904, page 706, of which more gage the said Lizz, E. Stone Starr is now the owner, for breach of the con-ditions of said mortzage deed and for the purpose of f reclosing the same and all the right in equity of any person having any to sor interest premises conveyed by said mertzage deed to redeem the same, will be sold at public auction on the mortgaged premises in said Properell on Tucsday. the thirty-first day of July, at 3.06

realization.

Spokane, despite a large pacifist element, is responding well to the demands of the nation. She exceeded her quota in the amount of liberty bonds absorbed, as well as in its contribution to the Red Cross, but has fallen down in registration, as indeed has the whole state, the totals being but little more than one-half of the expected registration in the state as a

the rate of increase of population since 1910 would be as great as in the previous decade, an assumption contrary to fact, the flood of late immigration being greatly reduced in volume, especially during the current year, when the war has a deterrent influence.

This year the special immigration trains that have been put on each spring for several successive years, was "cut out" and the exigencies of the war have discontinued the frequent trains of tourists that have usually been numerous at this time of the year on the various transcontinental

July 5, 1917.

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Saturday, July 14, 1917.

GROTON

News Items. Miss Anita Huebner, who has com pleted her course of study in Worces-ter, is at home for a long vacation.

Mrs. Ella P. Woolley took an automobile ride to Nachua on Monday with friends, and called upon her daughter, Mrs. Cook. Mrs. James T. Bennett and her daughter Ruth are enjoying a visit with Mrs. Albert W. Hartt, of Newport, N. H. They left Groton on Monday and returned Friday.

The school children to whom gardens have been assigned, met to work in them last Saturday afternoon. Miss Bessie Hill, who is in charge, was present.

day afternoon for Sussex, N. B., to attend the funeral of his brother, Maj. Harry W. Folkins.

Miss Emily Brigham, of Washington, D. C., has arrived in Groton, where she will spend the summer with her sister, Mrs. Ellen M. Needham.

Dr. Darling's family, of Cambridge, have arrived in Groton for the sum-The next meeting of the W. R. C.

ill be held on Tuesday, August 21.
Miss Helen Forbes returned home on

has been east on a visit to his sister.

Mrs. Fred Porter, who has not seen
him for an interval of twenty-one
years. The visit was one of extreme
pleasure to both. He came to Groton
on Tuesday, remaining until Thursday
morning.

Charles McKean, chauffeur for Leslie Trentiss, of Lowell, has returned from a four-days' trip to New York in a Duick Six.

Mrs. Harry Perkins and her daugh-ter, of New Redford, have been the guests of Mr and Mrs. Fred Porter of School street.

The anticipated visit of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Trask, of North Cambridge, with Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Breckenridge, was realized when they motored to Groton or Thomsday.

John Robbins is resting comfortably after undergoing an operation for appendicitis at the Groton hospital.

James Augustus Beatley, father of Miss Catharine Beatley, a former eacher of Lawrence academy, died on teacher of Lawrence academy, died on Wednesday at his summer home at Boothbay Harbor, Me. A full account will be found in the Ayer column.

The little daughter which was welcomed into the home of Henry Erving on June 14 has been named Margaret. Mrs. Julia A. Lawrence, who was the attending nurse, is at present visiting in Groton, but she expects soon to return to the home of her daughter, Mrs. Walter E. Corey of Brookline, N. H.

The many friends of Mrs. Annie Willard, housekeeper in the home of Geo. H. Kemp, will be pleased to learn of her rapid recovery from a recent attack of acute indigestion. She is being cared for by Mr. Kemp's sister. Mrs.

Julia A. Lawrence, nurse, of Pepperell.

tertained at the George H. Kemp.

James W. Wilson, auctioneer, will sell forty acres of grass on the Harry E. Nutting place, Groton, Wednesday afternoon, July 18, at two o'clock.

Obituary.

Mrs. Charlotte Ann Penniman Floyd passed away at the home of her son, Walter P. Floyd, Tuesday morning. July 3, at the advanced age of 87 years, 8 months, 16 days. Her life was complete and her spirit returned to God who gave it. During her illness to the former days, and of ness she talked of former days, and

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wes Groton. The school children to whom sark done have been assigned the service of the service

mgs.

This flag was displayed on the second meeting house which stood on or near the spot where now is the Chaplin school building. This meeting house was built soon after the early settlers returned to Groton from Concord. Mass., where they took refuge after the burning of the town by Indians in 1675, returning to Groton in 1680.

This flag of course, was the flag of.

1675, returning to Groton in 1680.

This flag of course was the flag of Great Britain, which has again been infurled in some of our places of worship this year. 225 years after this entry was made in the town records of Groton.

Georgianna A. Boutwell.

To the Editor:
Allow me to a the benefit of the What are the thing was made in the town records of Groton.

Death.

On July 2 Rev. Nathan Thompson. of Laurel, Md., died at his home after nine days of illness from cerebral hemorrhage. He was born nearly eighty years ago in New Braintree, of which place his great-grandfather. Capt. James Thompson, was one of the founders. Mr. Thompson was educated at some of the leading schools of his native state, receiving a diploma from Williston seminary in 1857, and from Amherst college in 1861, and from Andover Thelogical seminary in 1865. His ministerial work began in His ministerial work began in people who have fixed incomes from er. Colo., where he was for ten profitable investments, not of their Miss Edith M. Lawrence from Seat-tle. Wash., is spending the summer with friends and relatives in this vicin-tional church. He was later minister

The past week she has been en- of the church in Boxborough, where the day the home of her uncle, he was very popular as a townsman he are of his lovely character.

two boys have recently been supplied but in justice to itself it takes the but in justice to itself it takes the liberty of pointing out that it could have done a good deal if its warnings had been heeded in time. There are nineteen Boston boys working in Groton now, but there ought to be twice that number. And since our labors this summer will not miraculously end the food problem, which is with us for several years yet, let us learn a lesson another time from our timidity this year.

In some towns it has been found useful to establish exchanges for surplus products, so that a person with more beans, say, than she could take her beans to the exchange and get spinach from someone who had produced a surplus of spinach. As yet such an exchange does not seem necessary in Groton, but in order to effect individual exchanges, all persons who had more than they want of any fruit or vegetable, and who would like to'exchange it for something which they lack, are requested to give their names to Mrs. Frank Torrey. If it should later prove advisable, the committee is prepared to establish a regular ex-

Probably at no time in the history of this country has there been such a display of flags on buildings, both public and private as now. It seemed to me as I think it must to others, that a flag hung either inside or outside of a church building was a new custom. I think therefor that the following item which I found in the town records of Groton will be of interest to the readers of this paper:

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This flag was displayed on the second meeting house which stood on or near the great where new is the Chaplin life revening thirty-five years. It has intervening thirty-five years. It has now been given to the Farmérs' club and will by them be repaired and moved to Hazel grove. Work will be commenced on the bandstand early

To the Editor:

Allow me to ask a few questions for the benefit of the farmer peasantry:
What are the powers that be in Groton doing to enable the farmer to get his work done, to plant and harvest his crops? No help of any kind from Ayer town farm to the town house, Groton, not one man can be had. The town might have made business arrangements with a competent manager to obtain two or three gangs of men

rangements with a competent manager to obtain two or three gangs of men to keep working gangs for the farmer, from farm to farm, as they do in the west, and in other business.

The conditions as they are for the farmer will not prove of any benefit for the just, equitable profit due to him for the investment and any unknown factors of loss ever with the farmer class is not entered into by the farmer class is not entered into by the

wn talent or effort. Uniess some wise provision is made

Mrs. Harold Strand, of Clinton, was local talented elecutionist, Mrs. Foster recent visitor hare. Mrs. M. J. Shepley, of Waltham, coming on Thursday evening of last week, spent the week-end with her daughter, Mrs. George Strachan, and other relatives. She was accompanied by her granddaughter, Miss. Madelyn Stone, eldest daughter of Mrs. Grandfaughter of Mrs. Strachan, who remained for two days the negro, from the ready pen of Dr. Samuel Lane Loomis.

Littleton friends are gratified to Waltham.

ment committee will present a short program. Everybody is most cordialby invited to be present to express opinions and to enjoy the social hour. No person who has a home or intends having one in West Groton can afford not to be interested in the work of this society.

Miss Elizabeth Hill has twenty-two young gardeners enrolled at the Hill farm and work is progressing well. Radishes were ready for use thirteen lays after planting, and they plenty to supply at the market price all who care to purchase.

worcester with her sister Gertrude. Their mother joined them for a few days which included the Fourth.

Miss Mae MacKean of Chicopee row, has been enjoying a four-days outing at Revere Beach. She returned home on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. George I. Crocker and little daughter Dorothy are enjoying an outing at Baddacook pond. They came to Groton from Fitchburg, where Mrs. Frank Torrey. If it should late prove advisable, the committee is pushness, also having a store in Nashua, a week ago last Monday and are enjoying an extended vacation at the residence of the late Harry Floyd, which overlooks the pond. They have emissioned for keep many families fed. If you have communicated with them, as a guest, Arthur Stone of Lawrence, who has enlisted in them, as a guest. Arthur Stone of Lawrence, who has enlisted in them, as a guest, arthur stone of Lawrence, who has enlisted in them, as a guest, arthur Stone of Lawrence, who has enlisted in them, as a guest, arthur Stone of Lawrence, who has enlisted in them, as a guest, arthur Stone of Lawrence, who has enlisted in them, as a guest, so that the market price ginning of the season \$21.36. The most expensive item was the sum of the most expensive item was the single of the season \$21.36. The most expensive item was the sum of the most expensive item was the subplies under the name of Solitory overs. Next comes the item for an information of the season \$21.36. The most expensive item was the subplies under the name of Solitory overs and caps. These, however, have long been needed and will last informs and caps. These, however, have long been needed and will last informs and caps. These, however, have long been needed and will last informs and caps. These, however, have long been needed and will last informs and caps. These, however, have long been needed and will last informs and caps. These, however, have long been needed and will last informs and caps. These, however, have long been needed and will last informs and caps. These, however, have long been needed and will last i chiefs, etc., is in charge of Mrs. G. H. Bixby; bandages, dressings, etc., are made by machine at the hall under the direction of Mrs. A. W. Adams and Miss Elizabeth McCormack, respectively. Material for pillow covers, soft goods for cutting for pillow fillings, old linen, etc., is solicited. Worn kid-gloves, even if badly, worn, will be gratefully received by Mrs. G. S. Webber for use along another branch of this work, the making of vests, much needed by certain workers.

At the business meeting of the L. A.

At the business meeting of the L. A At the business meeting of the D. A. society it was learned that about seventy-seven dollars was cleared at the recent fair, despite the many demands being made upon the people here. One hundred dollars was voted for church use.

The band concert next week will be held in West Groton James E. Welch, of Boston, is spending his vacation with his uncle, P. W.

William J. Kane, of the U. S. S Aztec, was at his home over Sunday, J. H. Delea, of Fitchburg, spent the Fourth at P. W. Kane's.

We understand that H. E. Kemp has old his new Buick to Ernest Hartwell. Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Crowley and two sons, of South Boston, are-spend-ing their vacation at John Long's.

LITTLETON

Vews Items

Miss Edith Fletcher returned home fuesday from Long Island Sound, where she has been camping with fel-low teachers from Springfield for ten

Mrs. Ada B. Bradles announces engagement of her daughter, Edith I. Wood, and George W. Fullerton of

of the church in Boxborough, where he was very popular as a townsman because of his lovely character.

He was all his life ardent in the work of education. During his residence in Boulder he was a trustee of the University of Colorado, and was the University of Colorado, and was principal of Lawrence academy, coron, from 1881 to 1886. The last class graduating under him, numbering twenty-six, many of whom are residents of Groton today, were Alice Chapman, Georgie Dairympie, Belle Gilson, Jessie Spaulding, Mamie Hill, Susie Lewis, Ruth Baker, Maud Giller, and the work out for the money that has been gradens and solve twenty-five years in Groton our low-lands would be gardens and an election, Jennie Brown, Grace Buswell, Mary Warren, Ethel Shumway, William Smith, Henry Fitch, Rowland Harriman, Warren Wilson, Alvan Godell, Frank Lewis, John Carley, Jerry Ryan, Daniel McQuesteon and

The festival at the Unitarian vestry on Thursday evening illustrated that the Littleton people have a good appetite for strawberries, even at this late day. Other delicacies were equally well relished, and a good-sized audience afterwards listened with admiration to the mustal salections given by tion to the musical selections given by Miss Helen Gilman, the lyric soprand soloist, accompanied at the piano by her gifted mother, Mrs. P. Co Edwards, and select readings by

Littleton friends are gratified to learn of the continued improvement in health of Rev. John L. Sewall and Mrs. Sewall, who were reported ill a few months ago.

Mrs. Bailey, of Bennington, N. H., is spending some weeks with her daughter, Mrs. John Liacos.

Mr. Tupper and family, who have had charge of the corporation boarding-house at Vose for a number of months, have moved to Shirley.

Miss Marian Mellish left on Monday morning-for-Cambridge.

for further treatment:

A. Benjamin Conant, of Plattsburg, was at home for the day on July 4, coming with a company of other young men in training. We can readily understand that he was a most welcome guest in the family circle and among other relatives and friends who enjoyed a glimpse of the boy in khaki. His looks speak well for conditions which he says are good. He is associated with a fine class of men who possess a splendid spirit. Competition among the men is very strong. Much time is devoted to study, class work and conference. The bayonet drill and other details of military life he describes as exceedingly interesting. He is now in exceedingly interesting. He is now in the infantry.

A scholarly treatment of the sub-ject is given by Grace M. Boynton in this week's Congregationalist—on "Venizelos, the man of the hour in Greece.

Large quantities of strawberries and early vegetables are daily shipped from station or transported by auto truck to the neighboring cities. Littleton housekeepers are busy canning fruits and vegetables, in many instances carrying out suggestions given by the representative of the farm bureau in her recent lecture here.

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Mr. and Mrs. Wallace Robinson returned the first of this week from Jersey City, N. J., where they attended the very pretty wedding of their sister, Miss Elizabeth Dayles, and Carl Oscar Stinele at the home of the grom. The bride wore a becoming gown of daintily trimmed white taffeta, and becomingly draped veil, and carried a shower bouquet of, white roses and sweet peas. She was attended by her sister, Mrs. Robinson, as bridesmaid, prettily gowned in blue taffeta and carrying red roses. Harry Stinele, of Philadelphia, attended his brother as carrying red roses. Harry Stinele, of Philadelphia, attended his brother as best man, and Mr. Robinson gave away the bride. The ceremony was follow the bride. The ceremony was followed by a reception and banquet. Guests were present from Philadelphia, New York, Atlantic City, Littleton and other places. Following the wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Stinele will make their home in Springfield, to which they will carry the best wishes and many valuable gifts from their friends.

Mrs. A. F. Conant and Miss Grace P. Conant went to Brookline to ac-company the W. F. Comant children and spend the week-end.

Miss Bertha Love, of Concord, spent the week-end with former neighbors

at the common. The degree staff from Leominster very prettily initiated the following persons into membership of the Pride of Nashohah lodge of Odd Ladles: Mrs. Joseph Wainwright, Miss Hazel Wainwright, Mrs. G. A. Barber, Miss Hope, Rowland, Alma and Hazel Willard Wainwright, Miss Edith Barber, Miss Edith Barber, Miss Edith Barber, Miss Edith Rockwood. Edwin Haskell, Hope, Rowland, Alma and Hazel Willard. Three others were unable to come.

Mrs. L. H. Mead entertained the Miss Marion Maxwell. On next Wednesday evening, instead of on Monday, the officers will be installed by Deputy

Mary Classon of Leominster Miss Inez Blanchard, who has had a made her home with her sister, Mrs. Brauline Bodman of C been the guest of Miss Veral Frank Smith, has returned to her home in New Ipswich, N. H.

Misses Lizzie Legay, of Townsend, and Marion Maxwell, of New Ipswich, are at Frank Smith's, and Miss Helen Blanchard, of New Ipswich, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Smith.

Several men are at work putting up lew telephone wires at the common. line 43 has been on a strike.

George Conant has been visiting relatives in town and nearby, making his headquarters with his sisters, Mrs Parker and Miss Conant, Mrs. Conant is expected here at this time.

HARVARD

News Items.

Mrs. Susan J. Savage disposed of all her household goods by auction on Thursday and will continue her work s matron at the Lancaster Industrial as matron at the Lancaster Industrial school for girls. She has sold her real estate to Jeremiah Mongovin, who takes possession September 1. Mrs. Savage has always been a valuable helper in the church and social life of the town and her many friends here will be sorry to have her leave town.

Philip Erskine of Jamaica Plain is staying for the summer with Mrs. F.

The ladies of the Unitarian society will hold an all-day sewing meeting at the lower town hall on Thursday evening next week. Miss Clara Endicott Sears closed he home here on Prospect hill this Friday and has gone with her household to her seashore home at Swallows Cave road, Nahant, for the months of July

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Paris. Mrs. Warren will be most grate Paris, Mrs. Warren will be most grateful for even the smallest gifts and will be delighted to pack and forward contributions of jam. It should be delivered to the Priest cottage. Contributions will be acknowledged from New York, not individually, but as a gift of the town.

Planing Mill

Public Safety Committee.

Mrs. Nathaniel Thayer of Lancaster addressed the women of Harvard under the auspices of the Public Safety committee Wednesday on the subject of "Women's cooperation in the national defense." The members of the Harvard committee selected to canvass the town in the Food Conservation campaign reported that the results were most successful, as practically every housekeeper in the town has signed the cards to be sent to Washington.

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It was reported that the total Red Cross contributions, including the Fourth of July celebration, amounted to \$1650. The Girls' Canning club is making progress in its work in canning and evaporating. The First Aid class has about completed its course and will receive certificates for service in the government. Additional contributions to the expenses of the Public Safety committee have been received and others will be welcomed.

The special order for the regular

The special order for the regular meeting on Wednesday next at eight o'clock will be the subject of a griss mill and an evaporating plant. A good attendance of those interested is expected.

Still River.

Mrs. L. H. Mead entertained the Birthday club Monday afternoon Delwin Rockwood of Lunenburg is visiting-Miss-Ruth-Willard.

Mrs. Jennie Spencer of Leominster has been the guest of her cousins, Mr. and Mrs. S. B. Haynes, the past week. Mrs. Learned of Essex. Vt., has been

visiting her brother, Arthur Hunter, Mrs. John Neyland has been quite sick. Her daughters are with her. Sun-day her son Dennis of Readville was vith her.

Walter E. Haskell is having his nouse painted. Mrs. Carrie Nourse has been visiting ner daughter in Hudson and while here attended some Chautauqua meet-

Mrs. Hicks of Wareham is visiting Miss Alice Marshall. Mrs. Isham of Springfield is with her sister, Mrs. McBride.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Stone and two daughters of Waltham are visiting his brother, Elisha D. Stone. A. A. Hutcherson took a load of ladies in his auto to Jacob Priest's in Harvard Thursday to an all-day sewing meeting of the King's Daughters and it was a very pleasant occasion.

SHIRLEY

News Items.

The Universalist church will hold their annual picnic at Whalom park on Saturday, July 21. Mrs. Ethel Peabody will have full charge of the tickets.

James Augustus Beatley, for forts years a teacher in the English high school, Boston, died at his summer home at Boothbay Harbor, Me., Wed-nesday, Mr. Beatley is the husband of Mrs. Clara Bancroft Beatley, a sis-ter of Mrs. Kate Hazen, of this town.

ongagement of her daughter, Edith I. Miss Helen Locke of Lexington is boston.

James F. Moore is tearing down the shed at the Whittler place preparatory to making improvements.

Dr. Grace P. Conant attended the funeral of Charles Tibbets, teacher in the mathematics department at Millish and the mathematics department at Millish ken university, which was held at his

TOMATO PLANTS FOR SALE—About 16 dozen nice plants. E. F. CUNNING-HAM, Groton, Mass.

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DRUGGIST

Main Street Ayer, Mass.

AYER

The first mass at the camp ground was said last Sunday morning at 5.30 o'clock, Rev. Thomas P. McGinn being the celebrant. The mass is said in a tent near the Baldwin Commissary. Mass will be said there every Sunday at the same hour. Rev. Fr. Stanton of Lowell, assisted Fr. McGinn in saying mass at St. Mary's church.

Ayer Council, K. C., has generously opened their quarters to all the cath-olic men in Major Dolan's battalion during their leisure time.

E. O. Proctor and family are spending a few weeks at Hampton Beach at their cottage. Mr. Proctor comes back to town occasionally in the interests of his business.

of his business.

Mrs. Susan Evelyn Newton died on Tuesday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Lucius C. Fairchild, East Main street, from infirmities incident to age. Mrs. Newton was born in Manchester, N. H., on February 18, 1832. She has been a resident of Ayer for three years coming here with Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild to live three years ago from Cleveland, Ohio. Mrs. Newton, in her earlier years was actively identified earlier years, was actively identified with the W. R. C. she being the first president of the Cleveland (Ohio) president of the Cleveland (Onio) corps. She leaves one daughter, Mrs. Fairchild. The funeral services were held on Wednesday eyening. Rev. Frank B. Crandall performing the services. The interment took place at Oakdale on Thursday.

There has been more or less trouble at the camp about over time which the men claim is due them, and which was not paid last week. The plumbers threatened to strike unless they received better pay. Conditions at present are in a passive state with no real trouble in sight.

The four-days sale of the goods at L. Sherwin & Company's store ended on Thursday night. The sale attracted throngs every day from all points.

Ford & Lyon, of Fitchburg, are to build a large garage near the camp ground. It is expected that work will begin soon.

Rynn's place on Shirley street, com-menced work Tuesday in putting up a temporary wooden structure, 48x36 feet, which is to be used as a store-house for the company's business. As house for the company's business. As soon as time permits a permanent concrete building, 30x60 feet, will be built over the wooden structure. The building is to be located close to a siding which runs close to the rear of the lot. W. C. Carter, of Fitchburg, is the contractor in charge of the work.

Half-hour service between Ayer and Lowell will become a reality very soon.
The Lowell and Fitchburg railroad find it impossible to transport the great number of people who patronize the road under present conditions. A car is run to the camp grounds from Depot square and back every day for camp visitors and workmen.

Chief Beatty stopped several out-f-town fakirs from selling banners ast-Saturday, as they had no licens

A lively scrap on Merchants' rov caused some excitement last Monday evening. The scrappers were camp workmen.

A good many of the men employed at the camp, especially laborers, mis-take the new rubbish boxes placed along Main street for mail boxes. As a result letters are often found there all retained and addressed. A couple of mornings ago one box was found to be nearly half full of mail. The matter was removed and taken to the postoffice. The rubbish boxes are somewhat similarly constructed as mail boxes. They are wired to the poles along the edge of the sidewalk and set a few feet above the ground. At first sight they appear to be mail boxes.

The provost guard are on duty look-ing after soldiers who fall to report on time after being allowed to go about town from the training camp.

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The announcement of the tax rate for the current year will be delayed until September. The local assessors say that the reason for the delay lies in the complicated situation in getting the refund from income taxes which will come to each town in proportion to its valuation of its personal prop-

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ters for them and that they would be always welcome. A number of its protestant hembers attended services next Monday for a week's visit with them.

At a meeting of the trustees of the public library held Thursday evening bulled in for postal uses. The Boston every evening a week please notify the secretary. Howard B. White and the matter will be presented to officials who have charge of the Average one evening a week please notify the secretary. Howard B. White and the matter will be presented to the trustees.

The postoffice is still overwhelmed with business. It has become necessary to prevent people from coming in after the usual closing hour, eight o'clock, at which time the office is crowded. It is a half hour later when they are all served. The extra clerk night was taken to the baggage room they are all served. The extra clerk night when asked his name was E. J. Wheeler, of Brattleboro, Vt. Later, night was conditions; sout of the question under the present conditions; the polect is being advocated stronger every day. Proper service to the great number of patrons is out of the question under the present conditions;

The first mass at the camp ground

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The feature picture for this Saturday evening at the motion picture show is "All man," in five parts; with Robert Warwick and Mollie King in the leading roles; also, a farce-comedy titled "Luke the plumber." On

Bids have been received from E. T. Barnum, of Detroit, Mich., and the Paris Jail Building Company, of Bosion, for the work of making alterations at the police station. The third party who is expected to bid on the job is the Pauley Jail Building Company of New York,

Miss Mary Skerritt is assisting at the ostoffice.

Unless something is done in the in-terest of public safety at the West Main street crossing there is very likely to be a serious accident there. Many narrow escapes have been reported. The very heavy travel over the cross-ing to the camp has increased the dan-ger of accident a great deal. There is talk of having a night flagman stationed there

George H. Brown has purchased a George H. Brown has purchased a large piece of land on West Main street which he intends to use for building. The lot was bought of Abel Prescott and Miss Olive Prescott, of Reading, heirs of the late Abel Prescott, of this town. The tract measures 300x250 feet and lies between the land of Mrs. Patrick Walsh and the Greenville tracks ville tracks.

Miss Josephine Gleason, of South

bridge, will be one of the supervisors of the telephone exchange to be installed at the Ayer camp. Miss Glea-son was formerly chief operator at the Southbridge exchange.

David E. Murphy, of Concord, N. H.,

build a large garage near the camp ground. It is expected that work will begin soon.

Chief Beatty has received a list of delinquent dog tax payers from the town clerk, which means that there will-be fewer canines in town unless their owners pay at once.

C. A. Cross & Company, of Fitchburg, who have bought Thomas F. Rynn's place on Shirley street, commenced work Tuesday in putting up a temporary wooden structure, 48x36

The Feculose Company began work on Thursday morning in the erection of a two-story brick building to take the place of the one-story wooden structure which has been in use. The new building will be 60x80 feet. The J. W. Bishop Contracting Company of Worcester is doing the work.

Several trainmen who have been lodging at the Taylor House have voluntarily given up their rooms to employees at the camp grounds, who have been unable to procure quarters. The railroad men are willing to sleep in their cabooses till the camp is finished, when their rooms at the hotel will be open to them. Their patriotic action is much appreciated.

Residents of West Main street have

Residents of West Main street have Residents of West Main street have made a strong protest against the repeated violations of the law by automobile drivers since the camp construction has commenced. Practically all travel to and from the camp pass over this highway, including camp visitors and all kinds of speculators. Chief Beatty has been sharp on the trail of these people and there is a noticeable difference in their actions during the past week.

Mrs. George L. Osgood and children left on Thursday for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lord, in Sullivan, Me. Mr. Osgood will visit there later in the summer.

Michael-Crummey, of Lowell, formerly of Ayer, was in town last Saturday. Mr. Crummey has just returned from Butte, Mont., where he has been employed as a carpenter in a mine. He was injured in an explosion at the mine a short time ago.

The annual picnic of, the Ayer Branch Alliance will be held on Wednesday, July 18, at Whalom Park. Owing to the congestion of the electric car service members will leave Ayer on the nine o'clock car.

Thomas F. Rynn has sold his place

Thomas F. Rynn has sold his place on Shirley street to C. A. Cross & Co., well-known wholesale grocers, of Fitchburg. It is understood that the purchasers will erect a large storeouse for its goods. Harbinger lodge, K. P., is making elaborate preparations for the observance of its tenth anniversary on Monday evening, July 30, in their quarters in Hardy's hall. Several of the grand

officers are expected to be present. The C. R. P. Co., which recently purchased the business of L. Sherwin & Co., are now selling four times the number of papers than formerly.

Just before going to press we learn that a Boston concern has purchased the Phelps barn and the building occupied by Max Pentasky on West. Main street. A fine building will be erected with a first-class restaurant, pool room and bowling alley.

Miss Mary G. Dailey, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Dahiel Dailey, of West Main street, and Raymond Jones, of Maynard, were quietly married by Rev. Thomas P. McGinn at the parochial residence on Thursday evening at 7.30 o'clock. Miss Molly Suilivan was the maid of honor and Dana Jones, a brother of the groom, was groomsman. The bride was dressed in pearl gray with pink trimmings and hat to match. After the wedding the bridal couple with pink trimmings and hat to match.
After the wedding the bridal couple
left for a short wedding joujrney, the
groom receiving a short leave of absence from Company I of the 6th regiment to which he is attached. They
received many fine presents. The
bride will make her home with her
parents for the present.

Mrs. Thomas has received a card from Miss Cora Brown, stating that she and her brother had arrived in Oakland, Cal., after a very pleasant trip across the continent.

Field Service.

A field service was held in the company street of Company B, 1st regiment of Engineers, last Sunday evening. An orchestra including Fred B. George M, and U. H. Barrows, Walter Lougee, Wallace Kittredge and Guy George M. and U. H. Barrows, Walter Lougee, Wallace Kittredge and Guy R. Cook furnished instrumental music, Frank E. Harlow, Fred W. Hoamer, Mrs. W. E. Beckford, Mrs. F. B. Crandall, Misses Alice P. Sanderson, Mabelle K. Pickard and Margaret Hume of the choir of the Unitarian church sang several numbers. Mrs. Beckford sang two solos. Frank J. Lawton, of Shirley Center, played the small portable organ taken up for the occasion. difference in their actions during the past week.

Christian Science services in Turner's block, corner of Main and Washington streets, Sunday action at the same time. Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30; Reading room open daily from two to nine p. m. All are welleft on Thursday for the same time. Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30; Reading room open daily from two to nine p. m. All are welleft on Thursday for the same time. Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30; Reading room open daily from two to nine p. m. All are welleft on Thursday for the same time. Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30; Reading room open daily from two to nine p. m. All are welleft on Thursday for the same time. Wednesday evening meeting at 7.30; Reading room open daily from two to nine p. m. All are welleft on Thursday for the occasion. Rev. Frank B. Crandall gave a talk to the men in which he welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcome to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcome to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcome the hearty participation of the men in which he welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcome the hearty participation of the men in which he welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best efforts of his people to make that welcomed them to Ayer, and pledged the best effor

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Judge Sanderson and family went to Littleton on Wednesday for the rest of the summer at their farm in that town.

A special meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held in the Babtist vestry on Friday evening, July 13, at 7.30.

On Monday it is expected that all owners of garden plots will be on hand at eight o'clock in the morning. It has been decided that on that day there will be a final' planting of late

Every girl should have a properly

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The local Exemption Board for Division 15. State of Massachusetts, has organized with George H. Creighton, Maynard, chairman and executive officer, and Frank S. Bulkeley, Ayer, clerk. The district while numerically no larger than others, is made up of towns widely separated, and some with limited means of transportation. In view of this, and to make it more convenient for those called for examination, the district has been sub-divided as follows: District-1, made up of the towns of Groton, Pepperell, Ashby and Townsend, will be called for examination in Groton. District 2, made up of the towns of Maynard, Stow, Action, Bolton and Berlin, will be called for examination in Maynard.

Camp Notes.

Capt. Arthur. H. Strong of the Springfield fire department has been appointed chief of the fire department at Ayer military camp. He will have a trained corps of firemen from various cities in the state, vacations having been arranged so that the men may pass two weeks there and each draw five dollars a day. Capt. Strong is drillimaster of the Springfield department and was formerly connected with the 2d regiment.

The announcement of the coming of The announcement of the coming of the entire national guard to the local military camp on July 25 has caused quite a stir about town. The total number of men that will encamp here on that date will be about 25,000, according to reports. To this rumber will be added the recruits who will be drafted for service soon.

A contractor and builder from Malden, who was in town the middle of the week, says that the attention of the building world is now directed to Ayer. In and around Boston the big job here is a strong attraction for builders, many of whom are already here.

Very large numbers of workmen are daily flocking to the camp in search of work. Many who have not secured a job before coming are disappointed and return home.

A trench has been dug from the camp as far as the Nashua river rail-road bridge and will be extended to a point near the Bishop farm on the bank of the river, south of the bridge. This will carry off the sewage to the proposed filter beds which are to be nade near the farm,

made near the farm.

The matter of providing an aviation field for training at the camp grounds has been abandoned, the grounds being unsuitable for such a purpose. This information was given out by Capt. Robert Bonner of the quartermaster's department of the northeastern district, which has charge of procurring leased land for military purposes. He said, however, that there might be land set aside for the practicing of signals by men attached to the signal corps. He also stated that the story of the government trying to secure 2000 acres in the vicinity of Fort and Spec ponds in Lancaster was without foundation.

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ing the French language and easy French readers will also be welcome. The library desires not only to assist local guardsmen but also to help in furnishing books for the large national training camp at Ayer. The library will serve as a clearing house. Anyone willing to contribute books for this purpose is invited to bring them or send them to the library, or the library will arrange to call for them if notified.

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crops and a readjustment of gardens if it is deemed necessary. Therefore, it is expected that all who wish to keep their plots under their control will be there, or said plots will be forfeited. Mr. Upton, of the County Farm Bureau, will be here to help and will facilitate the work. It may be added that undoubtedly any child can eccure a garden at that time.

The Massachusetts Woman's Temperance Union will hold a conference in the vestry of the Congregational church on Thursday afternoon, July 19, from 2.30 to 5 o'clock. The state superintendent, Mrs. Katharine Lent Stevenson; will-preside, and the five Bardena. The church of Board Organized, will be at his post. The choir the superintendent, Mrs. Katharine Lent Stevenson; will-preside, and the five Exemption Board Organized,

To the Editor:

May I through your columns an-nounce to the parishioners of St. An-drew's church and all others who may be interested, that there will be morning service at St. Andrew's church on Sunday at eleven o'clock. The choir will be reinforced by the boys of Groton School. I have an important announcement to make to the church: Endicott Peabody, Rector.

James Augustus Beatley,

James Augustus Beatley, aged sixtyfive, for forty-years a teacher in Boston, high schools, died at BoothbayHarbor, Me., July 11, at his summer
home. The funeral was held this Friday afternoon at three o'clock and was
private. The body will be taken to
Boston for cremation at Forest Hills.

Mr. Beatley was born in Chelsea, attended grammar and high schools in
that city and was graduated from Harvard in 1873. He was then for a short
time chemical assistant at Bussey Inratitute. He began teaching in the
Chelsea high school in—1875 and—became a teacher in the Boston Latin on, Bolton.

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ley, Lunenburg, Westford, Little.

Harvard and Boxborough, will be called for examination in Ayer.

In each town selected as a meeting place, the town hall or other town offices will be used as the headquarters of the board. If no further instructions are received by the board the above arrangement may be considered permanest.

The services of a stenographer will alor be needed. Any wishing to apply for issist the position, address, the clerk of the have board. Frank S. Bulkeley, Ayer.

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Arthur H. Strong of the fire department may be considered permanest.

Arthur H. Strong of the high-schools of Roxbury; West Roxbury and Charlestown. In 1886 he went to the English high school, with which he remained until his death. Of late years he was head of the German and music departments.

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Mr. Beatley was married in 1887 to Miss Clara Bancroft, daughter of Hon. E. Dana Bancroft. They had four children, Margaret, Catharine, Ralph and Bancroft Beatley.

Federated Church.

Sunday morning worship at 10.45. The subject of the sermon will be "The laws of nature as the thoughts of God." The illustrated lecture before the Sunday school at the noon hour will be on Northern Palestine.

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On account of an important question coming up there will be a change in the plan for Sunday evening. Instead of the C. E. meeting at seven there will he a meeting of the Federated church to consider plans for work in connection with the military camp. Rev. C. E. Spaulding, M. E. superintendent for the Worcester district, will be present, and also Rev. Howard A. Bridgman, editor of the Congregationalist, and both will speak. Every member of the Federated church is earnestly requested to he present

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The pastor would like the C. E. soclety to conduct an open-air praise
service on the church lawn at 6.30. Business meeting of the Boy Scouts on Thursday evening at seven o'clock at the parish house.

Special Town Meeting.

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A special town meeting of extraordinary interest took place in the town hall on Monday evening. The meeting was called to order at the appointed time by Guy B. Remick, town clerk. After the reading of the warrant for the meeting by the clerk Lyman K. Clark was chosen moderator. Despite the importance of the meeting, which was to act on raising and appropriating a total of \$31,500 there were but forty present exclusive of the officials in charge of it.

The first article in the warrant to be acted upon was Article 6, which was

action of the commissioners in asking for the money.

Mr. Proctor stated that the reason for asking for the money was to pay for the expense in furnishing a supply of 200,000 gallons of water per day for the military camp, which would make it necessary for the town to furnish an extra electrically driven pump and also building at the pumping station, the pump to be used as an auxiliary force in pumping the water in addition to the steam pump, which is already in use. Additional expense would be incurred in laying a water main from the terminus of the main pipa, on West Main street to the main military camp which were necessary to be done.

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committee. Those who participated in the lively discussion, in addition to those already mentioned, were Judge Atwood, Thomas F. Mullin, A. A. Fillebrown, Charles W. Mason and John D. Carney.

Article 2 was next taken up. This article, which called for the raising and appropriating of \$500 to be used in oiling the streets of the town, was

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unanimously voted. Under Article 3 it was voted to

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SHIRLEY

The members of the Altrurian club have been sending flowers through the summer, as is their usual custom, to the Parker Memorial Boston. Although the weather has been unfavorable the children have brought in many pretty wild flowers and ferns which are highly appreciated. The committee would consider it a favor of the contributors would bring in their flowers at an early hour Thursday afternoon, leaving them at the home of the contributors would bring in their flowers at an early hour Thursday afternoon, leaving them at the home of the summer. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford visited the contributors would bring in their flowers at an early hour Thursday afternoon, leaving them at the home of the flowers and form the summer. Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford visited the contributors would bring in their daughten, Miss. Heloon Bradford in Athol last Sunday.

Kenneth Horton, Harry O. Bangs and Afthur Desmond, three Shirley boys, volunteers in Uncle Sam's army, have arrived at the Ayer camp.

The Clemenzi family have rented the tenement in the Harriman Longley house on Maple street, recently vacated by the Hart family. Mr. Clemenzi is instructor of mason work at the Industrial school.

Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Quinty, of Fredonian street, entertained relatives last Sunday from Montreal, Canada, Worcester, Gardner, Fitchburg and Leominster.

a several-weeks' visit to her old home in St. Stephen, N. B.

Miss Sadie Harkins, principal of the grammar school in Malden, has arrived at the home of her sister, Dr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Lilly, to remain during the school vacation.

Ing the school vacation.

An automobile party consisting of the Misses Gertrude Provost, Mamie Conners, Esther Amsden, Mary Gleason, Mary Badsitthner and Mrs. Joseph C. Provost made a trip to Boston on Tuesday evening to witness the play "Caliban" at the Harvard Stadium.

The closing night is Saturday, July 14. The proceeds are for the benefit of the Red Cross and reserve officers' fund.

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The Universalist church will hold their annual picnic on July 21, at Whalom Park.

Mrs. Charlest S. Wing returned on Sun-Brookline after spending a week with his grandfather, Albert Adams.

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Gately tenement recently vacated by the Dunham family.

Miss Gertrude Provost, operator at the local telephone exchange, left on Thursday for a vacation of two weeks to be spent in company with her uncle and aunt and others on an auto trip to Lake Champlain, through the Mo-hawk Trail and Connecticut valley.

Mrs. Shipley W. Ricker, of Mount Vernon, N. Y., is at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Harris, for the summer.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Owen Keegan, of Ayer, Sunday. Mrs. Keegan was formerly Miss Hazel Brill, of this town.

A marriage license has been issued to Miss Alvina Wheeler and Clarence D. Young, of Ayer. The latter is a brakeman, and the former is a native and well-known resident of Shirley.

At the Congregational church Sunday morning the pastor will preach on "Ritualism." In the evening, at seven o'clock, the subject will be "The appeal to ambition," with music by the junior choir.

A large number of the members of the Altrurian club and others attended the mass meeting held in Ayer on Tuesday to listen to Dr. Evangeline Young, who spoke on the subject. Preservation of the morals and health of our young women." A large audience greeted Dr. Young and all were interested in the subject.

Miss Doris White is substituting at the telephone exchange during the ab-sence of Miss Gertrude Provost, who is taking her annual two-weeks' vaca-

Miss Dolly Knowles left on Thurs day for a visit of two weeks at the home of her sister, Mr. and Mrs. M. J. Johnson, of Boston.

Miss Nora Flannery, of Harvard, spent last Surday with Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Gately.

H. O. Peasley is out with a new five-passenger Empire automobile.

The Ayer high school class 1916-17 held their reunion at the residence of their former teacher, Mrs. Charles A. McCarthy, Benjamin road, Thursday evening. Dancing and music with the serving of refreshments were some of the features of the entertainment. The evening was most-enjovably spent. evening was most-enjoyably spent.

The band concert next Tuesday will

Miss Sehrt, of Chicago, who is study-ing with Wesley Wyman, is staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Stick-

Mr. and Mrs. Walter Pinkham, Mr. and Mrs. Balley, Mr. and Mrs. Hurray, of Wollaston spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. 52. Good-

Saturday afternoon, July 14.

Lewis H. Bradford and Arthur R. Holden, who have joined the forestry regiment leave next week from First-burg for Fort Slocum, N. V., on their way to Washington, D. C. or Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, for training

Mrs Carrie Milne, of Grand Rapids, Mich. who has been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. W. Carey, has gone to Vermont to visit her son.

It is understood that Forrest B. Wing has enrolled in the transport service and sails for France July 21. He is spending a few days this week at the home of his grandfather, Albert Adams.

Rev. Grover Harrison, who has had during the past year, and who left recently for California to become an army chaplain, has presented the chapel with a large framed photograph of himself, which has been hung in the enall room as a reminder of army chaplain, has presented the chapel with a large framed photograph of himself, which has been hung in the small room as a reminder of large, and head band, won certain honors, attended a certain number of meetings, etc. It is worthy of mention that Boston.

The Mountain Still Labors, at the chapel.

Mrs. Steele Mackaye is at her cotage on Parker road.

John Caldwell, of the world in gen-

eral, has taken a job at Longley home-stead during the having season and is staying in the old wheelwright shop.

In the absence of Rev. Manley B. Townsend at the First Parish church Townsend at the First Parish church last Sunday, on account of the death of his brother-in-law, Rev. William C. Adams supplied the pulpit, preaching an admirable sermon on "The old and the new." Miss Parker assisted Mr. Lawton, the regular organist, at the church organ. Mr. Newell also assisted in the church music. Mr. Townsend, who is to supply the pulpit the remainder of the month, will take for his subject on Sunday. "Armaged."

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ua, are visiting at the home of Mrs. Charles Longley.

Henry McHenry, who has been staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard, left last Saturday for Stockbridge, where he is to stay at the Red Lion Inn.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford visited

Another social dance was held in the town hall last Saturday evening under the management of Harry N. Brown, with a good number present. The music, plano and drums, was furnished by several different ones.

Mrs. Anna F. Dakin has returned nome after spending a week in Cam-

A demonstration of canning by the cold pack method was given in the town hall last week Thursday afternoon to a number of the ladies of the Center. The demonstration and talk was given by Mrs. Althea Lindenberg, under the auspices of the public safety-committee.

The Misses O'Donnell have opened tea-room, called the "Mulpus room," at their home on the state road at Woodsville.

Miss Sara A. Dunn, of New York, is a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wyman.

Rev. Angus Dunn, of Cambridge, preached an excellent sermon at Trinity chapel last Sunday and will have charge of the service at the chapel again on Sunday afternoon at 3.15.

rhalom Park.

Mrs. Charlotte Knox has rented the chapel held its regular meeting last ately tenement recently vacated by Saturday afternoon on the common.

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Rev. Howard A. Bridgman and
Frank J. Lawton attended and assisted
at the short service and social gathering held by Rev. F. B. Crandall last
Sunday evening at the training camp.

More of these meetings and other
methods of getting in touch with the
soldlers are being planned.

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Mrs. Ruth Clark, of Springfield, arrived this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves, for a short visit.

Work has been started on Center and Parker roads which the state is repairing. These two roads are to be scraped, olied and sanded, and the

Howard M. Longley, who has been managing G. L. Snow's farm, has given Howard Fuller's house and farm. Mr Longley expects to take possession in about two weeks, when Mr. Fuller about two weeks, when moves to Providence, R. I.

Welcome Longley, of Roxbury, is visiting at the hone of his mother, Mrs. Sara Longley.

LITTLETON

A pleasant social affair of last week was an afternoon tea given in honor of Mrs. George N. Barker by Mrs. Richard G. Harwood, who invited a few friends to her summer home at Bonnie Brae of Tahattawan road on Friday afternoon. Miss Katherine Pierce of Worcester

John H. Kimball, jr., a lad of eleven years, is one of the enthusiastic young hunters and trappers of the West End. He has caught at least eight wood-chacks during the vacation and the height of his ambifion was attained Wallandlay who he trapped of the and Mrs. Bailey, Mr. and Mrs. Murray of Wollaston spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Goodspeed.

George Conant has sold his farm on the state road at the North to a Mr. Gallager, who is a brother to the Gallager employed at the home of Mr. Marshall. Mr. Conant is to sell part of his personal property at auction on Saturday afternoon, July 14.

Earl Spears little girl was taken to the hospital lately to have a needle removed from her knee.

Mr. Wainwright has three high school bays and Michael McNamara has one high school boy from Charlestown doing farm work.

The Camp Fire Girls held their cer The Camp Fire Girls held their cer-embilid in the grove at the home of their guardian, Mrs. H. F. Proctor, last week Friday, when they received their ring, having made their dress and held band, won certain honors,

Miss Flay is visiting at the home of Miss Linnekin of Gloucester was a Miss Florence Adams.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Going, of Nash- glowing accounts of the meeting.

A conference of the Public Safety committee was held at J. M. Hart-well's house on Tuesday evening to discuss the advisibility of contributing to a possible recreation fund for sol-

. Mr. and Mrs. Dennison of Brookline over Sunday guests at Joseph Wainwright's.

The W. H. Davis and the W. T. Speirs families spent Sunday with friends in Milton.

Miss Hazel Wainwright was a rece guest at the home of H. E. Bemis Charlestown. Mrs. Albert Shedd has charge of the decorations in the Unitarian church this month.

Miss Margaret Thacher was present at the Massachusetts Library Commis sion in Boston Wednesday.

Mrs. Robert Kempton from Washington, D. C., arrived in town this week and will visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Griffiths, and other relatives in the East for a month. Miss Lucy Griffiths of New York is expected at this time. Mrs. Marv Brower and two children from Waltham have visited at William Griffiths this last week and Miss Gertrude Griffiths has spent. and Miss Gertrude Griffiths has spen her vacation of two weeks with the

home people.

Mrs. Chester M. Hartwell of Detroit, Mich.; and two children are visiting at J. M. Hartwell's.

Robert Hartwell has spent a week in Boston visiting many places of in The rain of Wednesday was heartily

welcomed by many families whose homes have been enveloped in dust. The gardens, too, although not suffer-ing, have been benefitted by the rain fail:

A delegation from the Baptist church gave Mr. and Mrs. Dwight Meads of Parkerville a very pleasant surprise at their home on Monday evening, the occasion being the removia of the Mead's family to Chelmsford in the near future. The guests shared with host and hostess in making the evening socially successful and after wishing them Godspeed, returned to their several homes.

Rev. Everett S. Treworgy, minister

Rev. Everett S. Treworgy, minister of the First Parish church in Ashby, will be the preacher at the Unitarian church on Sunday morning in exchange with Rev. O. J. Fairfield. Mr. Treworgy is a graduate of the Meadwille Theological school, and before going to Ashby had a pastorate in Stoneham. He is an attractive speaker.

Work has been started on Center and Parker roads which the state is repairing. These two roads are to be scraped, oiled and sanded, and the portion of Parker road between the Church farm and the state road is to be rebuilt.

Among those, from the Center who have attended "Caliban" are Mr. and sawmill unit were twenty-four days Mrs. H. F. Grout, Miss Helen M. Wins-law Mrs. H. F. Grout, Miss Helen M. Wins-law Mrs. Arthur F. Blanchard ming his safe arrival at Liverpool. There, the men and 120 horses in the steamer. The machinery was shipped in a freight vessel. The men in the away ming the Atlantic.

Wyman and Mrs. Anna F. Dakin.

At the next meeting of the Grange, Tuesday evening, July 17, there will be a competitive entertainment between the married and unmarried members, the losing side to furnish a supper for neighbors night in August.

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A large company of men putting up telephone wires reminds one of in-creased business in the towns suburban

Norman Bonnell is playing the Con-gregational church organ for awhile, giving the regular organist a vacation. The recital given by Miss Tenney's pupils was a creditable exhibition of progress on the part of the older pupils and a splendid knowledge of music subjects on that of the beginners.

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Mr. and Mrs. Walter Beard and daughter from Hillsboro, N. H., have moved into the "Bandbox" tenement at the Center and McNiff Bros. moved their goods. Mr. Beard has accepted the position of foreman of the farm for Charles E. Fay.

Jack Hardy did not go to Ayer National bank to work as he expected the first of the summer, but accepted a position as bugler in the boys' camp at Amhers, Agricultural college and has

Miss Katherine Pierce of Worcester entertained friends at an afternoon to a last Saturday, introducing Mrs. Howard R. Stewart.

Mr. and Mrs. Douglas Whitcomb are spending the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. H. R. Stewart in Worcester.

Rev. and Mrs. J. C. Alvord visited friends in Lowell Wednesday, making the trip to and from Chelmsford on Koth.

George Hartwell is working in Ayer Notional Bank.

Judge Sanderson's family came to their Littleton home this week

boys are enjoying a turn at having. Mr. and Mrs. F. B. Priest and daughter Barbara motored to Pigeon Cove Saturday and there remained for two days. They were accompanied on the trip by Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Hartwell, who visued Saturday and Sunday with the H. J. Smith family in Gloucester. the H. J. Smith family in Gloucester.

Mrs. Charles L. Smith and Mrs.

Minnie T. Johnson spent Sunday in
Winthrop with Grandma Smith, who
is now in her ninety-seventh year and
very comfortable for her age.

Saturday afternoon, July 14.

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and other amendments merely to de-ay the passage of the bill ought not o fool anybody, though our august to fool anybody, though our august misrepresentatives in Washington evidently hope it will. Plain old-fashioned filbustering would not just at this time be very popular, so our lawyers' club has resorted to the amendment process to accomplish the same end, hoping the people wont notice until it is too late.

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Evidently the manipulators of our food markets have been busy and seen a goodly number of congressmen in regard to looking after their interests. If ever there was a bill before congress that by reason of its inherent righteousness demanded unanimous support the bill to eliminate the food speculator is it, but the business has been so casy and profitable it is no wonder the speculator objects to elimination.

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Boston, July 3, 1917. On the petition of the New England Power Company, under section 128 of Chapter 742 of the Acts of 1914, as amended by Chapter 141 of the General Acts of 1917, for authority to construct a line for the transmission of eominster Electric Light & Power Company, or land adjacent thereto, in eominster to the station of the Fitchland easterly thereof, in Ayer, for distribution in Shirley, Ayer and else-where, and for supplying electricity to the Ayer Cantonment of the United States Government, said line to pass through Leominster, Lancaster, Lu-nenburg, Shirley and Ayer, approximately as shown on plan thereof filed with said petition, the Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners will give a public hearing to all parties in-terested in the construction of said line, on Thursday, the nineteenth day of July current, at eleven o'clock in the forenoon, at the City Hall, Leom-

notice of said hearing by publication hereof in the "Leominster Enter-prise," the "Clinton Item," the "Fitch-burg Sentinel" and the "Fitchburg News," newspapers published in Leom-inster, Clinton and Fitchburg, respectively, in each of said papers twice prior to said time of hearing, and in the "Shirley Oracle" and "Turner's Public Spirit," newspapers published in Shirley and Ayer, respectively, in each of said papers once each week prior to said time of hearing, and by serving a copy hereof upon the respective chairmen of the boards of select-men and the clerks of the towns of Lancaster, Lunenburg, Shirley and Ayer, and upon the mayor and the city clerk of Leominster, in the manner provided by law for the service of writs returnable to the Superior Court, save that said service may be made not less than ten days prior to said hearing.

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It came about this way. The secretary of the local food committee, Mr. Oscar F. Stetson, carefully gathered the figures covering several years on home consumption of staple products, and the amount of these brought in from outside the town.

Potatoes afford a good example of the kind of fact he discovered. Of the 15,668 bushels of potatoes used, 12,608 bushels, or all but 24 per cent came from outside. When these figures were put before

the farmers, their only fear about planting as extensively as they could was removed, for it was perfectly clear that there would be home consumption for more than they could hope to produce. Doubtless the same condition exists nearly everywhere in the state, for only 8 persons in 100 are producers in Massachusetts; the

other 92 are consumers.

Overproduction is a bugaboo this year. Only something like a miracle can bring about large enough crops to run prices down near the losing point. Buckling kultur and making good money will go hand in hand.

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That most pork has been raised on corn in the corn belt, doesn't prove that corn is the only good feed for hogs. In fact, it has distinct disadhogs. In fact, it has distinct disau-vantages. Hogs: fed corn do not breed as prolifically as those fed a varied ration, and, for fattening an all-corn diet has become generally unprofitable

Hogs eat a great deal, and eat pro-

Hogs eat a great deal, and eet promiscuously. They thrive best with pasture, grain crops and nuts or roots to combine on their bill of fare. On this account, hog raising can be widely extended outside the corn belt. "Every farm can support at least one pig," declared Prof. E. f.. Quaife, of the Agricultural College." With extensive use of dairy by-products, root, pasture and forage crops and table refuse and with good care, our state can follow Denmark, Holland, state can follow Denmark, Holland, and Scotland, countries that do not raise corn, but are noted for an immense amount of fine pork. Producing pork at home will help us to bring home the Kaiser's bacon."

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The United States imports two-fifths to more than one-half of the wool it requires. Recent importations have reached more than 500,000 pounds, the average being over 300,000 pounds.

The total consumption of lamb and mutton during the past 10 years has increased appreciably. In 1807 more than 9,500,000 sheep and lambs were slaughtered at plants subject to Federal inspection. The number now averages about 13,600,000.

The chairman of the New York food supply committee has bought 10,000 sheep to be grazed in New York State. Who will volunteer such an investment to utilize the fine grazing lands of our own state, enrich them with the manure of flocks, and provide an offset to the rapidly declining moat supply?

The new Russia may foli Liberty, but old Massachusetts, as always, will stand true.

LUNENBURG

The gardens of the town are growing as though they knew and realized the need of extra effort and extra crops to meet the extra demand for food of all kinds. Dr. Charles E. Woods and Deacon George C. Jewett have the banner potato patches. Not so large as some others, but in point of thrift, color and growth are really beautiful to look at and suggest something better to follow.

A little son was gladly welcomed by

A little son was gladly welcomed in the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. C. Cross last Sunday. The little lad fills a long-felt want in this home and parents and sisters three are much pleased with this addition to the family. The little man will bear his father's name, Frederick Cushing Cross.

George J. Kelley, of the U. S. marines, who enlisted two years ago, is at home on a ten-days' furlough. He has seen active service in Hayti and Mexico, where he acquitted himself so well that he has been promoted and will return a sergeant.

mon cause, in whose support and by whose side we shall be fighting." Our Leader, Woodrow Wilson.

NOT SCARED-BY "OVERPRODUCTION."

Farmers down Middleborough way are not worried any longer about overproduction, for they learned that there isn't any such animal—not this year. As a consequence, they are planning to more than double their acreage in several of the staple At the meeting of the Old Home of the Corps.

At least two of Lunenburg boys are doing sod service in assisting to build the military camp in Ayer—Carroll H. Magoon, engaged as carpenter, beginning work at seven in the morning and closing at six in the evening each day, and Arnold H. Woods, civil engineer, beginning at six in the evening each town every morning between five and six o'clock, enroute for Ayer, bearing heavy loads of workmen who board in Fitchburg. People here are given a faint idea of the busy scene in Ayer, even if they are not among the steady stream of sight-seers who every day present themselves at headquarters of the Camp.

At the meeting of the Old Home

At the meeting of the Old Home Veek association on Tuesday evening t was voted to observe Old Home Veek with appropriate ceremonies, as sual, and committees were appointed take charge of the various events.

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Rev. David Wallace and family of Assonet are in town and are located at the home of Misses Nellie and Fannie Jones for the summer. They expect to remain until the last of August. Misses Nellie, Fannie and Dora Jones are at their summer home at Lake Winnepesaukee, Alton bay, Mrs. A. K. Francis and Miss Lizzie Howard, also are members of the colony so pleasantly installed in this beautiful home by the lakeside. Miss Pauline Wallace will have charge of the public library while Miss Jones is away.

William M. Carman and family of

William M. Carman and family of ew York are in town and domiciled their pleasant home for the summer. Mrs. Simon-Nudd, who recently made a trip to Maine, visiting friends in Skowhegan and other places, return-ed to, her home here last week.

bell.

Mrs. Lilla Marshall of Nantasket, Mass., Mrs. K. Carroll of Dorchester. Mass., Mrs. K. Carroll of Dorchester. Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Walter New-losis. At times he seemed to be kaining and was able to attend to his business for a little while, but disease had too strong a hold upon him and the relief and apparent improvement was only temporary. He is survived by his widow and six children—three—boys and three girls. His funeral was held at his late home near Whalom on July 5 and interment was at Walpole.

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The public canning demonstration is The public canning demonstration in the town hall last Monday morning by Miss White, of Milford, who is sent out by the public safety committee, was well attended by the women of the town. The demonstration was both practical and interesting and of much value. The next demonstration will be held on the afternoon of July 23, and it is hoped all the women of the town will make an effort to attend.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Reports who

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Bennett, who have lived here for quite a number of years, have moved to Shirley, Mass., where they are to reside with a daughter. As the oldest man in town Mr. Bennett has had the Boston Post gold-hended cane for some time succession. headed cane for some time, succeeding the late Nathaniel Hobart. With his moving Mr. Bennett forfeits the right to hold the cane. His successor has not yet been chosen.

Mr. and Mrs. George Betterley went to Worcester, Mass., last week Tuesday to visit at the home of their son Percy. On the Fourth, together with their son, his wife and some other friends, they motored from that city to New-

Congratulations from their Brook.

Coccupied by Mr. and Mrs. Henry

Lawrence, of Kendall Green. The details of the picnic will be announced a daughter, Melva Mary, at their home on Sunday morning.

The pastor will preach on Sunday at the Baptist church in West-Actonin exchange with Rev. C. L. Pierce.

The first of a series of the piches. in this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Wheeler, with

Fourth, spending the day at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Willis Burns, Whife about his work at the ice-house Alton Jensen had his left hand badly lacerated by one of the ice hooks

last week. last week.

The Brookline boys played two games of baseball last Saturday afternoon on the home grounds, one with Pepperell, and the other with Townsend. The game with Pepperell ended with the score of 16 to 4 in favor of Brookline, and with Townsend the score was 3 to 2, in favor of the visitors. Miss Leonora Bradley entertained Mrs. A. Williams, of Roxbury, Mass.

LANDSCAPE and PORTRAITURE PHOTOGRAPHY Appointments made any time. P. E. SLEEPER, Shirley, Mass.

Arthur Green

Arthur Green, of Boston, is spending a couple of weeks at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell.

Mr. and Mrs. John Whitcomb en-tertained Miss Mary Sprague, of Keene, last week.

Quite a number of young people from here attended the dance at Oak hill last week Wednesday. Aubury Carruth, of Houston, Texas, was a recent visitor in town at the home of Clarence Russell and other old friends and neighbors.

Rev. S. P. Haywood, of Scattle Wash, occupied the pulpit last Sunday at both the morning and evening serv-Mrs. Walter G. Young, of Fall River

is visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Brown. Alexander Page, of Groton, Vt., is visiting his daughter, Mrs. Fred Campbell.

Mrs. Lilia Marshall of Nantasket, Mass., Mrs. K. Carroll of Dorchester, Mass., and Mr. and Mrs. Walter New-ell of Mason were Sunday visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Shattuck.

Hadley.

The evening of June 27 was observed as New Hampsire night by the Grange, the program being in charge of Dr. Holcombe and family, and was as follows: Song, "Old Glory," Grange; reading, "The state flag," Mrs. Holcombe; piano duet, Grace and Alice Whitcomb; essay, "New Hampshire." Dr. Holcombe; vocal solo, "Old New Hampshire home," Mrs. Minnia Holcombe; peem, Marian Holcombe; peem, Marian Holcombe; recitation, Frances Farnsworth; two tableaux. Frances Farnsworth; two tableaus "Miss New Hampshire" and "Nieces of Uncle Sam, Ethel Taylor and Frances Farnsworth. The essay by the doctor showed much thought and preparation and was much enjoyed by all present.

Charles Tapley and family, of Fitch-burg, motored here last Sunday and visited at the home of Clarence Rus-

Mrs. Etta Rockwood and grand-daughter, Alice Hazeltine, spent last week Tuesday visiting Mrs. John Mar-tin, of Pepperell.

David Barnaby, of Springfield, Mass., is visiting his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Barnaby.

Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Kennedy, of Jamaica Plain, Mass., occupied by the cottage of Mrs. Malie Gilson on Milford street last week. On the Fourththey entertained their brother Henry and James Murphy, also of Jamaica Plain.

BOXBOROUGH

News Items.

Miss Mabel Wetherbee went to Hyannis Monday to attend the sum-mer school there. She intends to re-main five weeks.

Mrs. Chaplin of Concord is visiting Mrs. Chaplin of Concord is visiting her cousins at the Lawrence farm.

Letters from members of the saw-mill unit report that they are in London, but not working as the sawmills have not arrived.

Mrs. Albert Littlefield and Mrs. C. B. Robbins are attending the confer-ence of librarians at Simmons college this week.

Mrs. Frank Davidson and children of Lincoln were week-end guests at William Withington's

Mrs. Frank W. Dodge went to Temple. N. H., last Saturday morning to spend several weeks for rest and improvement of her health.

Joseph Furbush has returned to his work in West Acton.

Last week tidings were received of the death of Rev. Nathan Thompson of Laurel, Md. Many years have pass-ed since he was the beloved pastor of the Boxboro church, but he never al-

lowed himself to get out of sympa-thetic touch with all our people for whom he had an abiding affection, which was everywhere returned.

Mrs. George F. Keyes is spending three weeks in Gloucester. Misses Mabel and Nellie Philbrick are at home for their vacation. Miss Nellie will stay for a month.

Miss Elsie Graves has gone to Oak Bluffs for the rest of the season. Mrs. Franklin H. Dean entertained the Woman's Missionary society on Wednesday afternoon.

Miss Mary Hager is spending the

week in Somerville, Church Notes.

port, R. I., and returned by way of Fall picnic on Wednesday, July 18, at Fort

In this town,

Mrs. John D. Marshea and daughter

Dorothy, of Roxbury, Mass., are guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Llewellyn
Powers.

Dorothy, o. at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Later home of Mr. and Mrs. Later home of Mr. and Mrs. Later howers.

Mrs. Mary E. Davis, of Townsend, is spending a week with Mrs. Mary Cox. Mrs. L. V. Hyer last week entertained her daughter, Mrs. James Robinson, of Somerville, Mass.

Wilbur Daniels, of North Sedgewick, Me., is spending a few days with his mother, Mrs. Nancy Daniels.

Walter Farnsworth is enter
Walter farnswor Mrs. Walter Farnsworth is enter-taining her two sisters, Muriel and Leola Hammond, of Pepperell. Leola Hammond, of Pepperell.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Campbell had the pleasure of witnessing a performance of "Caliban" at the Harvard Stadium last week.

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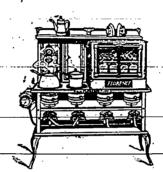
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Raiph L. Hastings, Treasurer Ayer, Mass., July 3, 1917. 4444 NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administratrix of the estate of NANY J. SMITH late of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

N. BERNICE SMITH, Admx. Ayer, Mass., June 20, 1917. 0143

N. BERNICE SMITH, Admx. Ayer, Mass., June 29, 1817. 1141

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of JOHN FARMER late of Shirley in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by GEORGE H. FARMER who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cumbindge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of July A. D. 1917, at nine oclock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same shoud not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Shirley Oracle, a newspaper in bilished in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or deliveting a copy of this citation to a 1 known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or deliveting a copy of this citation to a 1 known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court, this twenty sixth day of June in the year one thousand nine hundred and seventeen.

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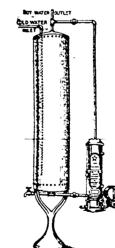
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PEPPERELL

Miss Marguerite Deware spent last eek with friends in New York state the Adirondack region.

Mrs. M. M. Richards has had elec-tric lights installed at her home on

Mrs. M. E. Letender, accompanied by her daughter and husband. Mr. and Mrs. Armand Gelineau, of Brockton, returned Wednesday from a visit of a week with her daughter, Mrs. Fred Nye, Leominster.

Mrs. Kate Dunlan has been enter and work for the Special in the stormy, the meeting taining her nephew, Roger Farrell, poned until July 25.

from Cochituate, over the week-end Mr. and Mrs. Ernest

Mr. and Mrs. Elgin S. Grenache, with friends from Milford, N. H., and from Ayer and Winchendon, came in their autos Sunday and enjoyed their fifth annual clambake at Island pond. There were five auto loads and all report a perfect day.

The Paugus Camp Fire Circle held their ceremonial meeting at their rooms at the Congregational parsonage on Friday evening of last week. Miss Gertrude Carter, who recently returned, acted as guardian, and three new members, Margaret and Charlotte Nowell, and Dorothy Grier, were encoded. Red Cross work is to be taken up by the circle and the Camp Fire garden at Miss Davison's, Townsend street, is claiming considerable attention and shows the results of their work.

John Tierney and family from Wor-cester have been visiting at his old home on Prospect street. Mr. Tierney is on the police force at Worcester and is taking his vacation.

and is taking his vacation.

Miss Mildred Brown, former instructor in domestic science in our public schools, has resigned, it is understood, and accepted a similar position in Springfield, Me.

Street Commissioner Blood has had ams at work graveling Park street

Mrs. George E. Shattuck, who has been under the care of a physician and trained nurse for two weeks with an illness which started with acute in-

illness which started with acute indigestion, is now improving.

Mrs. Thomas F. Tarbell, formerly Miss Bessie Farley of this town, arrived from Brooklyn, N. Y., on Saturday for a few weeks stay at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farley, High street. Mr. Tarbell is expected the coming Saturday for his expected the coming Saturday for his vacation.

Rev. D. R. Child arrived from Ogun-uit, Me., Tuesday, to attend the Federation meeting that evening and re maining over for the meeting of the Boy Scouts Wednesday evening.

The marriage of Carl Merrill and Miss Hester May Webber, both formerly residing at Lincoln, Me., occurred in this town on Monday evening, July 9, at the Methodist parsonage, Rev. W. H. Beers being the officiating clergynan.

Albert Deware has been ill at her home on Cross street and under the care of a physician for two weeks

Mrs. John Fiske came home from St. Joseph's hospital. Saturday, after her second operation. She has made much more rapid recovery, following this second treatment and her condition seems most encouraging.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Koch were at their tenement off Main street on Sat-urday, for a short time, coming from Maynard, where he is employed.

short visit at Groton and Leominster.

Mr. and Mrs. James Woodside and
four children and Mr. and Mrs. Steriing from Carthage, N. Y., are occupygni the large mill house recently vacated by Mr. McMurray and family.
Mr. Woodside is employed as superintendent of one of the papermill departments. Many rooms are also taken by other mill operatives who come
from New York state.

Frank Dunton came from South Portland, Me. Saturday last to spend the week-end with his family at Mr. and Mrs. Lakin's.

The regular meeting of Acoma Rebekah lodge occurred on Tuesday evening. Following the business session a short literary program was offered in charge of Mrs. Effe Robibus and a social busy enjoyed. social hour enjoyed.

Mrs. M. L. Bartlett came from Springfield Saturday for a short visit at the home of her son, Arthur Bartlett, going from here to Bennington, N. H.

Miss Ruth Hagstrom returned to her home in New York last Sunday after a visit of two pleasant weeks at the home of her relatives. "Pinehurst." She has made many friends here who regret her short vacation, but hope to see her among them again at Christmas time. but hope to see her at Christmas time.

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Thomas Packard, of Stoneham, was the guest of Miss Effic Winship over the weck-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Winship.

Theke a venue.

Mrs. C. T. Williams has had as guests for ten days Mrs. William Woodward and her sister. Miss Lena Piper, from Brooklyn, N. Y. They returned home the latter part of this

in two weeks during the summer at their room at the South schoolhouse.

The next meeting will be held on Tuesa visit.

News Items.

On Tuesday afternoon, July 17, at three o'clock at the Congregational vastry a canning demonstration will be given by Mrs. Burnett Moseley, formerly Miss Rayetta Boynton of this town, under the auspices of the Home department of the Farm Bureau.

Miss Marguerite Deware spent last week with friends in New York state than Adtronday for the stock, farm implements and tools in Mrs. Quality Mrs. And Mrs. Wafren S. Blood, in Mrs. and Mrs. and Mrs. John Mrs. and Mrs. John Mrs. and Mrs. John Mrs. and Mrs. Wafren S. Blood, in Joseph M. Graham has sold his company with Mr. and Mrs. John Jacob Salem still. The purchase includes the stock, farm implements and tools Graham may relocate out of town.

Miss Belinda Jewett, of Mason, N. Martin, Cottage street. ..

Steven Davis, from Milford, has been visiting his aged mother, Mrs. Ann Davis, Nashua street, a part of this week.

Fred Nye, Leominster.

Edward Shattuck has been at the Shattuck homestead on River street the past week, from Boston. His daughter, Mrs. Foster, and her daughter Ruth, from New York, have been with him.

Mrs. Kato Dinnlap has been enter-life to storay; the meeting will be post-

Irom Cocnituate, over the week-end and until Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Nash and daughter Marjorie have been enjoying a visit at Ashmont farm with his parferself.

Mr. and Mrs. Comment of the manages herself.

Mrs. Martha Thompson and daughter Marion spent the Fourth and the week-end with friends in Milford, N. H.

Mrs. M. E. Claven, of New York, was the guest of Mrs. Alta Shattuck a part of last week.

port a perfect day.

Mrs. B. K. Humphrey and son Amos came from West Groton, Tuesday, for a short visit with former friends on Pleusant street.

The Paugus Camp Fire Circle held part of last week.

Miss Mary Tams, who has been staying with her sister, Mrs. Rainstaying with her

Miss Theresa Tulley, of Beachmont, is the guest of her sister, Mrs. Joseph Davis, Nashua street.

Mrs. Louise W. Lawrence returned home this week from a trip to Maine in the region of Sebago Lake and Po-land Springs.

Farmers are commencing to harvest their hay this week, the season being fully a week later than usual.

W. W. Lunt is improving from his threatened run of fever, and is about his home, although not yet gone back to his work.

Miss Jane Hagstrom, of New York, arrived at Pinehurst last Saturday for a month's visit with her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy. Miss Marilla Walton and Miss Marion Chinn, of Brighton, are to spend several weeks there also. eral weeks there also.

M. E. Kimball, with his wife and laughter, Miss Nettie, passed the Fourth in Nashua, N. H., with friends. Fourth in Nashua, N. H., with friends.
Edward S. Colburn, of Groveland, visited last week at the homes of his sisters, Mrs. Gilson and Mrs. Swasey, of this town.

Mrs. C. I. Marganette, passed the dat the Congregational church next sunday the pastor, Rev. J. B. Lewis, will conduct a preaching service at 10.45. Sunday school at 12/10.

Mrs. C. I. Margeson arrived from Roxbury Saturday and has been greeting old friends and neighbors the week past. She was a guest of Mrs. Sarah Patch, Nashua street, who has recovered from her illness so she is able to go out of doors on warm days.

Mrs. Rayetta (Boynton) Moseley, om Pittsfield, has been visiting at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John L. Boynton.

Master Billy Davis has recovered from his attack of diphtheria and the family are out-of-quarantine. No new cases have been reported.

Mrs. Matilda Campbell, who has been at the Fitchhurg hospital for treatment and later at the home of her son, George P. Campbell, of the Shirley Industrial school, returned to the Campbell place on Heald street on Sunday, her son bringing her by auto. Her sister came with her for a visit.

Miss Edna Kittredge went into Boston Tuesday to consult an oculist for trouble with her eyes. Miss Barbara Bancroft substituted at Mr. Rowell's grain office for the day.

Miss Kate Burton of St. Johnsbury, Vt., is a guest this week at Rainsford Deware's.

Mrs. Annie Bailey and friend. Miss Frances Farnsworth, of Brookline. N. H., were the guests of Mrs. Freeman Simmons and other friends in town on Monday.

Maynard, where he is employed.

Mrs. Alice Oulton visited her sister, Mrs. Helen Hill, on Wednesday at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, where the latter underwent a slight operation last week.

Harry Lakin with his wife and her sister, Mrs. Wheeler, motored here in his new Buick touring car from their home at Greenfield on Thursday of last week. They were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lakin and aisocalled on Mrs. John Fiske at the Nashua, where first aid was rendered and then brought to his home in Bennett's auto and is recovering.

ua, hospital.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Willoughby and little daughter Marjorie visited in town over Sunday with relatives, after a short visit at Groton and Leominster.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank G. Kennedy and their young guests enjoyed a fishing true to Rocky pond, Hollis, N. H., on Thursday of last week, the entire party being conveved in a large auto by Hamiltonian converse in the convergence. heing conveyed in a large auto by Har-old Hayes. Miss Marion Chinn was the heroine of the day, bringing in the largest fish. Miss Ruth Hagstrom was Mrs. W. H.

Durgin.

Dr E. L. Hill, who has been taking a two-weeks' rest at his bungalow on the Townsend road, with his family, went back to Millis to take up his practice last Sunday. The trained nurse who has been in the family for several weeks, owing to the illness of their youngest son, Robert, returned with him, as the child is improving.

Mrs. Walter Drury has been enter-taining her mother, Mrs. Rice, from Holden.

Miss Abble Carter is critically ill at Miss Abble Carter is critically ill at the home of Mrs. Lyman Blood, where she has been hoarding. The attend-ing physician sees no chance of a rally, a trained nurse, Mrs. McKenzle, was secured on Tuesday. Miss Marguerite Carter, who only remained in town a few days after the closing of Tilton academy, is working in a girls camp

Mr. and Mrs. Wafren S.

The Misses Florence and Jessie Flynn are having vacations from school teaching, which they will spend largely at their home in town. At present Miss Jessie is visiting at Middleboro, having returned with Mrs. George Mahoney a few weeks ago.

Mrs. Winifred Emery, of Lyne, N H., has been the guest recently of Mrs. Edmund Blood and Mrs. J. W. Flynn, Oak hill.

Mrs. D. W. Hazen visited her daugh-ter, Miss Della Kemp, in Cambridge, the first of the week.

Mrs. John McGrath is assisting in he home of Mrs. J. A. Donnelly during John Leary and Cornelius Driscoll,

from Lawrence and William Morris, from Holyoke, spent the Fourth in town at their respective homes.

Miss Marjorie Sherwood, who assisted Mrs. C. A. Mills for some time past, is now employed by Mrs. Waldo Spaulding. Miss Edna Hill, of West Groton, is spending a part of her summer vacation with relatives on Hollis street.

Spurgeon Cuthbertson, assistant agent at the station on the Milford division, spent the Fourth and remainder of the week on a trip to Lake Winnipesaukee.

Mrs. S. A. Wright, with her son Frank and wife, motored here from Worcester to call on friends and form-er neighbors last Sunday. er neighbors last Sunday.

Roy Paige and Miss'Shea, of Waltham, and Philip Canavan, of Boston,
were guests over the Fourth and the
rest of the week with Mr. and Mrs.

J. M. Graham at Mapleshade farm.

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Mrs. M. E. Reed spent last week in Bridgewater with her son and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leslie, Reed. She returned on Saturday, coming from Reading with her younger son, Walter, by auto, and was accompanied by her new daughter-in-law, who has been spending the week with her. On Wednesday, Miss Vye, of Boston, came for a few days. for a few days.

Church Notes.

Morning services will be held at the Unitarian church next Sunday at 10.45 with preaching by Rev. George F. Durgin, a summer resident of this

A Community sing will be held on the church lawn at seven o'clock. Rev. E. M. Slocombe of Worcester, who is here for the summer, will give the address. The increasing attendance at these meetings proves their popularity. About 175 were listening last Sunday evening, during the excellent address given by Dr. Peabody.

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The annual picnic for the church and Sunday school will be held at Whalom on Thursday, July 19. Barges will start from the church at 7.45 and il who plan to go in that way are asked to hand in their names soon to the committee. If the day proves stormy the picnic will be postponed to the next day.

A meeting of the Federation of churches was held at the Methodist church on Tuesday evening. Rev. E. R. Child presided. There was some discussion of the Ayer camp and Pepperell's relation to it and through a special committee of which Frank T. Wright was chairman, the following was recommended. That committees be appointed on health, finance, relief, law and order, social welfare and publicity. That committees on health, relief and social welfare consist of five members to be chosen from different parts of the town. That committees on finance, law and order, and publicity consist of three members each, and ity consist of three members each, and that the chairmen of these committees that the chairmen of these committees constitute a central committee to correlate and promote the work of the more than one committee. A nominating committee were appointed, Albert F. Parker, Arthur Wright and D. E. Weston, to present a list of names for these committees at the next meeting to be held in Central hall, Aug. 14.

old Hayes. Miss Marion Chinn was the heroine of the day, bringing in the largest fish. Miss Ruth Hasstrom was fishing for larger fish, but in vain, getting only the consolation prize. Mrs. Mrs. W. H. Woodward's sister, which most.

Rennedy proved her skill by catching the most.

Fev. George F Durgin arrived at his summer home in town on last Saturday for a three-weeks' vacation, from Detroit. Mich. As secretary for Bishop Hamilton the added work in the office, caused by war conditions, makes his vacation this summer shorter than anticipated.

Rev. Luther Lovejoy, with his wife and daughter, from Detroit, Mich., are expected this week for a stay of some weeks at the home of Kev. and Mrs. Durgin.

Dr E. L. Hill, who has been taking a two-weeks' rest at his bungalow on the Townsend road, with his family, went back to Millis to take up his practice last Sunday. The trained nurse who has been in the family for several who has dear the form Lowell headquarters and all work done will be by the advice of the officers of the Lowell chapter.

A Woman's Relief Corps will be officially went back to Millis to take up his practical will be purchased from Lowell headquarters and all work done will be by the advice of the officers of the lowell chapter.

Lowell chapter.

A Woman's Relief Corps will be organized Wednesday afternoon, July 18, at I. O. O. F. hall, over Saunders store at three o'clock. All loyal, patriotic women of the town are earnest-

requested to he present. Other Pepperell matter on pages

Community Service Club.

the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Robert Winship, Tucker avenue.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Stevenson entertained his brother, Russell Stevenson, and a party of friends who motored here from Boston last Sunday.

Mrs. C. T. Williams has had as guests for ten days Mrs. William Woodward and her sister. Miss Lena Piper, from Brooklyn, N. Y. They treturned home the latter part of this week.

Miss Amy Aldrich, teacher at the Main street school, has been spending part of her vacation with friends in Westboro.

The Dorcas Guild are to meet once

TOWNSEND

It is rumored around the village the

Misses Agnes, Olive and Gertrude
Watkins, who have been spending several days at Riverview, returned to
y Worcester on Wednesday.

On Thursday morning T. A. Hayes of Pepperell caught a trout in the Cape neighborhood weighing two pounds, one of the largest ever seen in this vicinity

one of the largest ever seen in this vicinity.

Mrs. Whittemore and Miss Elsie Richardson of West Boylston are guests at Willowbrook.

Harry Knights, clerk.

Three horses have just been purchased on Nissequassick hill. Mr. Crouch has bought the five-year-old colt of Mr. Ryan of Pepperell, Mr. Palmer, a black horse of L. U. Clement and Daniel Spofford, although he is talking automobile, has joined the ranks of horse buyers.

Mrs. C. A. Smith spent Thursday in Manchester, N. H. Miss. Dorothy Smith is acting as substitute clerk at the Homeopathic hospital in Boston for the months of July and August.

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The Asyouitkeit club-met with Miss Myra Morris on Tuesday afternoon with fourteen ladies present. In compliance with an invitation extended from the Abcturer, Miss Myrtle Gray gave an entertaining account of her visit at Winnepeg, Canada. Numerous illustrated postcards made even more vivid the description of places and scenery. Mrs. Lawrence Morgan and Mrs. Wallace of Nissequassick hill, new members, were present. Mrs. Whittemore Mrs. Walter Fletcher and Miss Fannie Fletcher were guests of the club. After the serving-of-refreshments the meeting adjourned until July 24 on which date the club will be entertained by Mrs. George Cummings at the Old Homestead.

The benefit entertainment on Tues-

be entertained by Mrs. George Cummings at the Old Homestead.

The benefit entertainment on Tuesday evening, given by the Ladies' Aid, under the direction of Mrs. Willard Gray, was a gratifying success, socially and financially. A "Misplaced confidence" was well cast and proved a lively and mirth-provoking playlet. Mrs. Noyes was at her. best and her readings, as' always, greatly enjoyed. The vocal solos of Mrs. Billy Buckley and Miss Esther Bagley added greatly to the pleasure of the evening. After some pleasing remarks by Rev. Mr. Tuttle, the entertainment closed, after which ice cream was served. In the drawing for the quilt made by the Ladies' Aid Miss Myrtle Gray was found to hold the lucky number.

The True Philosopher.

The true philosopher makes a considerable to do over his love of and his search for knowledge. But if he is a truly wise philosopher and if he values his reputation he will stop safely short of ever acquiring exact information. Exact information is fatal to the philosophical temperament. A philosopher is a man who can make solemn and profound remarks about any matter whatsoever without knowing anything bout it. As soon as he learns some thing about a matter he is to that exexcluded from philosophizing about it. He is no longer a pure philosopher; he is now part scientist. This explains why there are so few prominent and prosperous philosophers these days. With the vast development of our means of communication, the mul-tiplication of books and newspapers and the obtrusiveness of reformers, it is almost impossible to get through the world without picking up a great deal of correct information, and conse quently it is well nigh impossible to be a philosopher.—Life.

That "Dead Man's Chest."

The rendering of the first line of Stevenson's immortal song as "Fifteen men on a dead mán's chest" spoils the significance of the phrase, writes of correspondent. License is permitted to poets, but no fifteen men could ever find room on the chest of any man dead or alive, unless they were Lill putians on the top of a Guilliver. The actual phrase is "the Dead Man's A meeting of the officers of the Church Federation and the officers of the three constituent churches will be held in the Congregational church vestry on Friday evening, July 20, at eight o'clock, to plan for broader co-operation and church unity.

At the Mathadist church or Sunday At the Methodist church on Sunday morning the pastor, Rev. W. H. Beers, will preach on the subject, "The captivity of thought." In the evening his subject will be "Forward."

mythical virgins, but the English buccaneers rechristened them in homelier terms, such as "Dutchman's Cap," "Broken Jerusalem," "Rum island" and "The Dead Man's Chest." Kings-"Broken Jerusalem," "Rum island" and "The Dead Man's Chest." Kingsley refers to the matter in the first volume of "At Last," and Stevenson acknowledged, in his account of "Treasure Island," that he had lifted the phrase from the older novelist's pages. -Manchester Guardian.

New York and Paris.

While I am well rooted in my French and Latin soil, I have traveled far through the world, and one may believe me when I say that I have found no city that more resembles Paris in its ways and the characteristics of its inhabitants than New York. Even London, admirable as it is, is more apart. This is not to say that New. York is not profoundly original, but that between it and Paris there are parallel originalities. The gayety of the streets; already certain aspects of picturesque antiquity; the atmosphere of welcoming; the vivacious spirit, cordial hospitality and disinterested enthusiasm for talent, merit or novelty; a certain quickness to adopt and to discard ideas, art movements and people; a restlessness at times too feverish; a love of pleasure, elegance and luxury; a tendency to respond instantly and as one man to any great and international event-all this is what makes of Paris and New York, each in its own particu-

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qualities, the two most sympathetic, the most "electric" cities of the civ-

ilized world.-Jules Bols in Century.

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COW AT CALVING TIME.

Feed and Care Needed to Obtain Bes . Results at This Period.

There is no time in the whole milk ing period that has such an important Three of the officers of the local bearing on the establishment of a guards elected last Thursday evening standard for production for the year as are from this village, Dudley Bagley the period previous to and following last lieuts, Fred Ross, 2d lieuts, and calving time, writes F. O. White. Concalving time, writes F. C. White, Con-necticut Agricultural college. It is understood by many, but not by all, that if a cow is allowed from six weeks to two months in which to rest from one lactation period to the next she will yield more than when milked continuup to the time of parturition. Rather liberal feeding, which actual

builds mild nutrients on the body during the last few weeks of the lacta-



A \$25,000 son-is the latest offering that this Jersey cow, Sophio XIX., of Hood farms, the world's champion long distance butter cow, has made to the dairy world. Sophie, for whom her owner, C. I. Hood of Lowell, Mass., refused \$50,000, recently gave, birth to a bull call. Mr. Hood refused an offer of \$25,000 for the call. Sophie has a record of over two and three-quarter tons of butter in six years. The illustration shows Sophie and ber son.

tion period and while the cow is dry.

is the secret of preparing the cow for the succeeding lactation period. This may appear to be wasting feed, but this is the important period when it is most valuable. During the last few weeks of the milking period grain may be fed at the rate of one pound to each two pounds of milk produced, reducing at the period when the cow is to be dried. When dry, about eight pounds of grain should be fed daily-more if the cow is in poor condition. It would not be profitable to feed inferior cows this way. The grain ration should be bulky, laxative and nutritious, having slightly more carbohydrates than a milk ration, with a nutritive ratio of about one of protein to seven of carbohydrate and fat equivalent During this period protein and fatty

tissues are actually being stored upon the body to be used in the production of milk before the cow is in shape to digest and assimilate a full ration. It is just as serious to crowd the appetite during the first month after calving as to neglect to lay on this supply of nutrients. The cow should be kept hun

A week before calving reduce the grain to four or five pounds, feeding mostly bran and oats. On the day of calving a pound and a half of epsom salt, lukewarm water and good hay are enough for a well conditioned cow although two quarts of bran mash may be useful. Begin the next day feeding lightly, and after four or five days introduce a grain mixture gradually. In crease this gradually about one-fourth pound per day. Do not expect a cow to handle all the feed called for by her yield of milk. If she has been properly conditioned and is coming to a good flow from one month to six weeks is early enough to get her on full feed. For from three to six months she should gradually lose the flesh stored up.

Winter Dairy Feeds. E. B. Hearon, adviser for Dupage county, Ill., suggests the following grain mixtures for the dairymen's use this winter: To be fed with corn silage and alfalfa hay: Grain mixture, 1,000 pounds corn meal, 300 pounds cottonseed meal. To be fed with corn slage and clover or mixed timothy and clover bay: Grain mixture, 300 pounds cornment, 500 pounds dried brewers grains, 200 pounds cottonseed meal. Feed a pound of grain mixture for each three to four pounds of milk.

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DAIRY NOTES.

Don't neglect to have the box of stalls ready for the cows that o are to calve in the early spring. If cream is held too long it will o become bitter and hard to churn.

No herd of cows can do well o inless the supply of water is o abundant and clean. If the herd -O can be watered in the stable and help themselves so much the bet- o

ter.
Give the heifers that are to caive in the spring very special o care. They should have exercise, but not where they can be knock- o ed around by the older cows. Sometimes a cow is uneasy, steps or moves or even kicks

when being milked. See if there o are stray hairs on the udder that. O are being pulled. Remove them o by the use of shears. 0000000000000000000000

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Park Street LITTLETON

Mrs. Carl A. Dodge and her two young daughters, of Gloucester City, N. J. are expected at D. G. Hough-ton's at this time.

Miss Dorothy Blodgett is spending everal weeks at the Rideout cottage a Ashburnham. n Ashburnham.

Mrs. Raymond Smith, of Lynn, is isting the Charles L. Smith family. wisting the Charles L. Smith family.

The strawberry festival in the Baptist vestry on Wednesday evening was a pronounced success despite the heavy downpour of rain. The tables were filled and a fine supper was served by the Woman's Benevolent society after which a program was rendered by the C. E. society, who shared the proceeds with the Benevolent society. The entertainment was unique, young ladies representing in costume and with character sketches, France, Holland, Japan, Ireland and Italy, while a group of young men, with faces properly tinted for the occasion, illustrated the characteristics of our negro citizens of the south. In the closing number "America" was represented by two ladies bearing the national colors and surrounded by a group of girls, all in the snowy white of the Red Cross' nurses, "saluting the flag and singing patriotic songs."

Some thirty Littleton people, church

Some thirty Littleton people, church friends and former neighbors, recently enjoyed a social evening with Mr. and Mrs. Dwight H. Mead of Parker Village, Westford. Mr. and Mrs. Mead have sold their place and will remove soon to a new home elsewhere. This gathering was a cordial though informal testimonial to the high esteem in which they are held, and regret at their departure. Among the guests was a large group of young ladles who are, or have been, members of Mrs. Mead's class in the Littleton Baptist Sunday school.

st Sunday school. Miss Cora Warren, of Brookline, is expected as a week-end guest of the Misses Adams and Mrs. Priest at Hartwell camp.

N. B. Conant and family expect to leave town-next week for their annual visit with Mrs. Conant's people in Ad-

Mrs. Charles F. Watts has very much improved in health and assumes light household responsibilities.

Mrs. Grace E. Lawrence has returned from a short visit with her brother in Arlington Heights.

Miss Nellie Wetherbee, of Leomin-nter, has been the guest of Miss Eliz-theth Thacher:

ster, has been the guest of miss shares are thracker.

The G. M. Lovejoys, of Hartford, are expected in town today.

Much credit is given to M. C. Pratt, who is giving regular, systematic military drill to companies of men and youths. Marked interest is centered in the training and Mr. Pratt is admirably fitted for his office as may be seen from the excellent results. A cosmopolitan group of men who mean business meet at the common or other convenient places at regular intervals in each week, and from what has already been accomplished they feel that the time is well spent, for many have been physically as well as otherwise benefitted.

Miss Carolyn Conant returned re-

Miss Carolyn Conant returned re-cently from Concord, where she visited her brother for a week,

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