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Middy Blouses-Ladies' and Misses' Middy Blouses, made of very fine quality of jean.

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Bleached Cotton-Mill Remnants of Bleached Cotton, 36 inches wide, 25e, value

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Nainsook-100 pieces of Fine Nainsook. 36 inches wide, 29c. value

ment of patterns, 20c. value at

ing, size 81x90, \$2.00 value, at

worth \$4.50 a pair, at

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Eleven hundred pairs of Men's Shoes, made at the McElwain shops and those of Huten-

#### PEPPERELL

The work of the fall and winter is on now and it will be a pity if the different organizations cannot keep enough in touch with each others dates so as not to have circumstances dates so as not to have circumstances happen as they did this last spring, when on one day the Unitarians had a food sale at three o'clock, the Congregationalists a supper at 6,30 and the Methodists a lawn party with cake and ice cream at seven o'clock. Again, the cradle roll, the children's night at the Grange and the union pienic on three successive days. The various organizations and societies of the different churches have their regular dates and when an affair was to draw funds from the general public the date funds from the general public the date can be arranged far enough ahead and the dates given to the press so not to embarass people who want to attend and cannot stand the strenuosity.

Chester Hamilton and his mother Chester Hamilton and his mother were called home from Hampton Beach last Saturday by the sudden illness of Frank Hamilton, who at last reports is much better. There are eighteen in the family at the Home-

Miss Mildred Lunt is slowly improving again at the Webber hospital in Biddeford, Me. She is now able to sit up a little while in a chair,

The blue and white flag at St. Jo-seph's church is the service flag, with a large star in the center, and in the center of the staf the number 63, indicating the number from that parish in the service. There are now two
golden stars to be added. The Sunday school of the church paid for the

Tuesday noan Mrs. John O. Parker, of Hamilton, Ohio, left Mrs. Addison Woodward's, where she has been visiting. Mrs. Parker has been on from the ways since carly in July and her ing. Mrs. Parker has been on from the west since early in July and has been visiting with Rev. A. C. White in Tyngsboro and at other places in the east. She formerly lived in the place on Heald street now owned by Fred Bancroft. The Mt. Lebanon associates held

their session with Mrs. Warren Fuller on Wednesday with fourteen mem-bers present. The boys' suits was the bers present. The boys suits was the work on hand. At 4.30 the business of the day was begun. The reports of the treasurer and secretary were read. Mrs. Warren C. Fuller resigned as president of the association. She has been a great inspiration and help and her removal to the middle west for the winter will be a great loss. The associates chose Mrs. Arthur Bannon as president. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Walkneer, and on Thursday, the day follower, and on Thursday, the day follow-ing, the associates are to have a picnic at the boiling springs.

Warren C. Fuller left for Ohio on

Wednesday, where he has accepted a position as teacher.

Word reached town on Tuesday of the death of Mrs. Otto E. Snelder, who died in a hospital in New York and further. That the present war and further. That the present war and further, was the pastor of the Uniperson on the church. If they did E. Sneider, was the pastor of the Uni-tarian church here some years ago, and was well liked by all the people and was well liked by all the people of different denominations. Mrs. Sneider leaves a ten-year-old son named for his father, and a little daughter, Elizabeth Maria, who is

**\$2.98** a pair

\$1.50 each

**22c** yard

15c yard

15¢ yard

\$1.45 each

15¢ yard

15¢ yard

95¢ each

25¢ each

15¢ pair

25¢ yard, 4 yards \$1.00

that they are all saved. Crack out the meats for mother to use in bread of cake and save the hard shells to make cake and save the nara snells to make gas masks. Let the nuts dry before cracking. Save the meats and save the shells. If you don't want them the scouts know how to use them.

The Ladies' Benevolen: society of the Congregational church will hold suppor on September 26. Miss Margaret Deware went to Bo ton on Tuesday and before she ruturns she will visit her sister, Mrs. French in Watertown. She is expect.

ed back home the last of this week. There will be a cottage meeting at the home of Mrs. Baker on Shepley kill next week Thursday evening.

Seventeen little bluebirds coming home from school lit on the Congregational parsonage grounds last Tuesday. Of course all birds like corn, but these seemed especially to delight in the roasted corn which Mrs. Lewis had prepared for the little bipeds.

Last Saturday twenty Girl Scouts hiked up to the high land beyond the Oak hill hall on land belonging to Harry Hobart. There were prepara-tions for a corn roast which were fully carried out, but not quite like the dusky maidens of the 17th century who no doubt ate the green roasted maize on those same fills. These fair girls of the 20th century had the roasted corn and apples, and added baked potatoes, toasted marshmallows and hot dogs.

Girl Scouts meet at Hutchinson's corner at seven o'clock this Saturday evening. Invitation to corn roast at Lucius Wilson's, Townsend street.

The Girl Scouts are to hold another ance in Prescott hall with as good music as they had at their lawn party, Friday evening, September 27. This is just a dancing party and everyone is velcome to come and enjoy the good time. Proceeds for scout purposes.

The Camp Fire Girls have paid for their liberty bond, so they will soon be ready to tackle something else. The Missionary society connected

with the Congregational courch which our boys did its annual meeting on next Wedused to be day, want an item that all should the war.

at about one o'clock in the sunshine in front of the cabin. The speaker was Rev. Mr. Townsend, of Nashua; the topic, "Carry.on," He took up history in its early stages, showing

pended upon the church. If they did federate that there was yet their own special work to carry on. He brought message of cheer to all.

Mrs. David Weston, Pleasant street, boarding with Mrs. Charles Parkfor awhile before taking a trip to isit her niece.

Report comes in late this week that W. H. Annis, the old insurance man, had fallen down the stairs at the Foster street engine house and was con-

road and did not return until Tues-day.

According to the Boston Post no rain had fallen on September 12 for the last ten years until Thursdayand it nearly missed it that day.

There were over 1 + who registered in Precinct A, and in Precinct B there were 198, making the total a few Me., and

over 300.

The Epworth league will meet Sunday evening at 6.4° at the M. E. The stewardship of Leader, Miss Elizal eth Me- her met " Nayr.

Last week William Bennett, Piersant street, moved its old mother, over ninety years old, lock to her old home on Sheilleld street olyman Blood has been asked to set a guardian, and it is reported that a has accepted. Sybii Merle Stu returned from St. Joseph's hospit n September 1

and is much man operation to be performed when stronger. The past nobleands of the Re bekah lodges of Groton on Tueso section meet in stember 24, and

will have dinner Miss Jessie eturned to her school duties in eek Monday

Jerry Flynn, rears has been : watchman at the hanged his lo-Champion Pape: cation a couple eks ago. The Wners wanted Mr an to go to an other factory in has gone there. phrey Sullivan of the Pine Orchard section, takes his place as watchmar w the Champion

Mr. and Mrs. George Stewart and Lillian Stewart motored Springfield last Saturday and returned Monday night.

Fred Woodward, from Gloucester and George Woodward, of Nashua, were week-end visitors of their mother, Mrs. Melora Scales, Park street, who is confined to her room,

Miss Mollie Frazer answered a telephone call on Tuesday, showing that she had returned from her recent visit and intends to accept the most promising place offered that will bring her in line for her desires that of be-coming a graduate nurse. She will visit the Red Cross headquarters in Boston and other places. All certainly wish her the best of Miccom

Doris Eatler left town on Monday to attend the Framingham school. Miss bennen was there last year. Miss Butler is to take a course in domestic science.

Miss Margaret Boynton left Monday resume her teaching. She is to be New Boston, N. H., this year. Miss Florence Flyan is still with us

here, we are glad to say.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Tarbell were rottified that their son Fred was sick in Boston. Mr. and Mrs. Tarbell and son Thomas, motored that night to Boston and found Fred in the Carnegle hospital. Mrs. Tarbell remained until Monday, when she returned, leaving Fred much improved. re, we are glad to say,

Miss Elizabeth Wright, Park street, left Monday to resume her school du-tles in Arlington.

There was a little tea party held on last week Tuesday for Mrs. Mary E. Swazey, where the combined ages of the three women sitting at the table the three women sitting at the table was 256 years. Mrs. Swazely was the youngest, 50 years; her sister, Mrs. Lucy Boynton, 87 years, and Mrs. Leahy, Mrs. Thomas Kennedy's mother, 89 years.

At last accounts Mrs. Swazey is no better, and there are extra nurses in attendance nights. Mrs. Haywood Mrs. Georgianna Kimball and Mrs. James Hill and the district nurse are also there at times. Mrs. Thomas Kennedy is giving her extra care, but has to have some sleep.

Mrs. Humphrey, High street, was at home over Sunday from the Haverhill hospital. It is understood that she has applied for the position of district nurse, made vacant by the resignation of Miss Hamilton.

Mrs. Fred S. Bancroft has just re ceived a letter from Lloyd Bancroft who is in France. He says that he has been promoted to first cook and that he liked it better now, as he could sleep nights instead of daytimes. is to have a seven-days' furlough this month at Uncle Sam's playground for our boys at Ainse-les-Baines, which used to be a fashionable resort before

Rumors about town: The govern-ment has taken over the Champion Coated Paper Company's shop for a munitions factory and that it will bring employment to many women; that the District Nurse association is having some trouble to find a suitable registered nurse to fill the place of Miss Hamilton, who has resigned: that

the resignation of Rev. Dudley R. Child was a great surprise to many and they feel very sorry, as they know it cannot help but take his interest away, partially, if not wholly from this community; that the high school has the best corps of teachers it ever had; that Dr. Davis, who has tried many times to enlist, has accepted a position in the Blue Cross, which is to the horses what the Red Cross is to humans, and he is to leave at once for France.

About Town.

The attendance for work at the Red ross room on Wednesday and Satur-lay afternoons is increasing, making on the Saturday before Labor day Mrs. McCurdy, of Lynn, her son and daughter, and James Clark, came to see Mrs. Mary McElininney of Oak hill bowever, much to be done and we and they remained until Monday. On the same Monday Mrs. Greenward Programmer of the same Monday Mrs. Greenward Programmer and Programmer of the Same Monday Mrs. Greenward Programmer of the Satisfactory. Many dressings have been completed and a good amount of sewing have been done. There is still, bowever, much to be done and we have been completed and a good amount of sewing have been completed and a good amount of sewing have been completed and a good amount of sewing have been completed and a good amount of sewing have been completed and a good amount of sewing have been done. There is still, bowever, much to be done and we have been done and the programmer of the sewing have been done and the programmer of the same been done and the programmer of the sewing have been done and the programmer of the programmer of the same been done and the programmer of the same been done and the programmer of th the work accomplished much more the same Monday Mrs. Greenwood are any interested in taking a course arrived and stayed over night, and on Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Beedee, of that if a class of eighteen is found the Wednesday Mr. and Mrs. Beedee, of Lynn, came, remaining until Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Knowlton, of Cape Corner, with friends, were there on Sunday, and John Bohannon, a civil war veteran, is there permanently.

Report comes in late this week that that class of elemteen is found in a class of elemteen is found in a class of elemteen is found in a competent instructor and the fee for the course is small. Any interested in such a course may communicate with Mrs. E. D. Howe. Save all peach stones and tin fail. They are needed in the manufacture of gas masks for in the manufacture of gas masks for our soldiers. They may be left with Mrs. Frederick H. Parker.

Send before September 15 to Dr. J.

# LITTLETON

Miss Mar. in orother s Kennel-inkport ly entered this uni Mass Hotel N los: Mor lay, Mrs. Charles - tae sym-Miss S sale at the [15 Saturde Lafter: ty mei 11 1 19. College de nion for

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er ible damage people and Tuesday niki Mrs. George Arthur Ga Richard Gas of Nashua and

of the J. H. White comb homests will exhibit a Groton fair " er dogs, all o dog breed. S crous French bul wenty-five dogs through the here family in he

kennels.

James Piper age ' 28 years, passed wish her the best of success.

away Monday September 9. A long Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tarbell who illness terminated in endocarditis. The

named for Mrs. Elizabeth Heald and Miss Marie Jordan, and who had her fifth anniversary this week.

There is a good crop of butternuts this year and the scouts should see this year and the scouts should see York on Tuesday.

The Miss Darkhold of the scouts should see the first street, on their two weeks' vacation, returned to their home in New York on Tuesday.

The Miss Darkhold of the scouts should see the first street of the first street of the survived by his wife and three young children, besides his parents. Mr. and Mrs. Will-strength and vitabley. His untimely

his wife and three young children, besides his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William Piper, and several brothers and
sisters. The deceased was a kindhearted friend and neighbor, a faithof their fellow townspeople.

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Saturday, September 14, 1918.

#### WESTFORD

The enrollment in the Westford schools as follows: Frost school 124, high school 65 (the largest in recent years). Graniteville 145. Forge Village 138, Parker Village 16.

Send before September 15 to Dr. J. N. Murray, Littleton, for entry blanks for the dog show to be held at the Groton Parmers and Mechanics club fair, September 28.

#### Letter from Overseas.

The following letter has been received by Mr. Seavey from his son Marden, dated Somewhere in England, August 2, and may prove of interest to his friends here:

Dear Father—How are you all? While I have been bounding over the waves and speeding through the counin trains you've probably wished that I could be with you all, through that I could be with you an, through the berry season. I would like to well enough, but let's hope I'll be there next year. Germany boasts about stopping us with her submarines, but all of our ships crossed without a subfor hesitating about serving in subfor hesitating about serving in suo-marines; they notice that many don't come back. With us they had as much chance as a rat in a roomful of cats, and if it wouldn't be censored I fair, assisted by members of the order.

cats, and if it wouldn't be censored I could tell you what happened.

On ship we had no drilling, nothing but the usual fatigue and guard duty. Life preservers were worn constantly and our shoes laced but four holes up. However I had all I wanted of the and our shoes jaced but four noise and However, I had all I wanted of the sailor's life, and it seemed as if we would never get over here. I don't wonder Columbus and his crew had a hard time of it.

Wo disembarked at last, and had a or stop-over, rather. England the stop-over, rather. England the fam beautiful country, green hills and fields, but very little woods. The clites are clean, homes are very neat with gardens around the houses, the latter being built of brick. Women ride bleycles and there are more of them than automobiles. Traffic goes them than automobiles. Traffic goes the latter side of the road. You have them than automobiles. Traffic goes on the left side of the road. You have heard about the railroad cars being divided into many little compartments—a squad of us rode in each. The freight cars are about as large as a good sized packing box. The engines look like toy ones but they can speed look like toy ones but they can speed

Our camp is pleasant, affording a good view of the country around bout. The food is good—bacon.

This morning we went on a sort of sight-speing tour, marching in columns Mi use it would be much alone, so you could ask questic is of the people and go where faticy takes you but still I was

Well, there are many things I could time of war, ....yw.

## Interesting Sermon.

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At the Unitarian charch in St Sunday Mr. Ruckshorn spoke on "The spirit and service of Lafayette to this country." He used as his text a clication from St. Paul's letter to the Philippians, wherein Paul speaks of one of his fellow-workers as "Hazarding his life to supply that which was

ing his life to supply that which was lacking in your service."

Nothing expresses better than this quotation the sum of lafayette's coming to this country. He came to us in the darker hour of our early history. The Brush soldiers had put Washington's army to flight in the battle of long Island. The riggs! to board an electric car on the refuse at Valley Forge. Washington's was hard put to it, when this French was hard put to it, when this French sustenal a fractured tollar hold and outside the post The was hard por or in when the related the sever-youth of ministeen years begged the sever-continental Corpress to allow him to accide serve without partially enter service of a common soule?

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When he detended the action colonies against King Genta-gave him enery reason arrange think of They have a right to themselves," said the French of

themselves." Said the second content of the root. Why not the French in match tried to very him form our or over fitted out a very and sailed from the root of the root. Spaces of the residence of the residence

without paid not?"

Lafayette's chivality has noted been controlled the American people may be made seen like minded not only a transfer denote not be Mark the memory of this gallent singht of her edemocracy, but in some faradamental things of government and coverning. Both people have believed to a greater degree than any other nation, in the decidence. Roth people have believed to a greater degree than any other notion, in the common right to govern and he governed, rather than to be ruled.

And out of this belief sometimes broken by both nations—has grow a policy and a procedure that has you complete more breatly than any other.

policy and a procedure that has for ognized more broadly than any other nation, the right of any and all personnent and their own governors ernment and their own governors "Cur non" "Why not?" as Lafayette's motto read on his coat of fayette's motto read on his coat of arms.

arms.

Always the spirit of chivalry—the spirit of fair play—the defence of spirit of fair play—the defence of

Philippi.

And America has never forgotten this white-sodied, warm-hearted youth in the hazard of his service to us. Then the time came for our answer. The outrage on Belgium aroused out. A number of the members from The outrage and bleeding France. Mary A. Livermore Rebekan lodge at The outrage on Belgium aroused on pity. Menaced and bleeding France cased forth our American knights in their love for that which must be free and generous and noble in human life and service—in individually and in governments.

Victor Characteristics Me., for burial.

A number of the members from Mary A. Livermore Rebekan lodge attended the school of instruction held on Tuesday at Prosperity lodge in Leominster.

Mrs. George W 19.5 %

Victor Chapman, Richard Hall, Alan Seegar—Harvard bred and New England's elect—answered Lafayette's hazard after nearly one hundred and forty-one years. White-souled, warmhearted, youth—knights of our American democracy. From the great hecan democracy. From the great be-yond, the spirit of Lafayette must have saluted you—you must have paid a price even higher than that paid by the hazard of the French knight.

In his "Ode in memory of the Ameri-can volunteers fallen for France,"

Yet sought they neither recompensed nor praise. Nay, rather, France, to you they ren-dered thanks (Seeing they came for honor, not for

Now heaven be praised
That in that hour that most imperilled
her,
Menaced her liberty who foremost
raised
Europe's bright flag of freedom, some
there were
Who, not unmindful of the antique debt,
Came back the generous path of Lafayette.

Graniteville.

The members of Court Westford. all of our ships crossed without a submarine having a chance to get in at us, with so many chasers ever on the watch. The ship I was on was in the center of the fleet, and so worrying about being blown up didn't trouble us any. I don't blame the Germans for hesitating about serving in submarine and the serving in the serving in submarine and the serving in subma There was a large number in attend-

Rev. Emile Dupont, the new curate, celebrated both masses in St. Catherine's church on last Sunday morning. · Miss Helen M. Furbush spent the

week-end with friends in Harvard. C. Leo Healy left here this week for Worcester, where he will enter Clark university.

The Graniteville baseball club will We disembarked at last, and nad a long railroad ride to our present camp, or stop-over, rather. England is a beautiful country, green hills and beautiful country, green hills and fields, but very little woods. The called at three o'clock.

The Ladies' Aid society of the M. E. church met with Mrs. Frank Caunter on last Thursday afternoon.

Edward DeLorenzo, who was injured at his work in Dedham a short time age, is improving rapidly and hopes to resume his duties in a short time. It is well to bear in mind that the

Our camp is piece.

good view of the country about. The food is good—bacon, about. The food is good—bacon, afternoon. It is essential over the position of the food and a hay mattress. There the floor and a hay mattress. There is a large camp. It is essential to attend these meetings and continue to attend these meetings are attended to attend the attended to at Mrs. John Donehue and her two

children, of Lowell, have been recent

Miss Margaret Driscoll, of Lynn, a with supposed to the supposed former resident here, has been the former resident here, has been the former resident here comey for the guest of Miss Catherine Comey for the past few days, and during her visit has been the guest of Miss Catherine Comey for the guest of Miss Catherine Comey for the past few days, and during her visit has been the guest few days, and during her visit here brother. Here is the come of South-

mied in the last draft and sent to hap Jackson, Ceiumbia, S. C., or that they have arrived safely and te well pleased with their quarters the south. Clarence bane has been appointed a corporal and Herry J. Healy has recently joined the reducal

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With the Saturday of West Beach, Me and Toosday. se diets will seem attendance agazines 705 : the grow . Saturday · · E. benefit e Desmond women of endy patronized enjoyed. The aff.

Mases Ruth Knowles

right as against might-"Hazarding daughter, Mrs. Harry Hacusler, whose his life to supply that which was lacking in your service." as St. Paul wrote of his fellow-worker to the people of patients. your service." as St. Paul wrote fellow-worker to the people of training school at Camp Taylor, Louisville, Ky. Funeral was held on Wolnesday at the home of her sister

weeks, is improving.

Send before September 15 to Dr. J. N. Murray, Littleton, for entry blanks for the dog show to be held at the Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' club fair, September 28.

A Ford car stolen in Fitchburg on Monday night was recovered in Shir-ley, Tuesday. The car belonged to a party from Ashby and was taken of Lafayette and Washington on Decoration day. May 30, 1916, Alan Seeger wrote of those Americans whose fate he was soon to share:

while standing in the street in Fitchburg. A search was started in this wicinity on Tuesday, as it was known that a man in uniform had taken the machine and the guards on the started on the machine and the guards on the state road were notified. The third machine stopped by the guard at North Shirley after the warning was the missing machine. The soldier who was driv-Nay, rather, France, to you they rendered thanks (Seeing they came for honor, not for gain),
Who, opening to them your glorious and that someone must have changed and that someone must have changed the numbers. He was turned over to Tranks,
Gave them that grand occasion to excel, That chance to live the life most free from stain.

And that rare privilege of dying well.

Chief of Police Riley met with an accident on Tuesday while teaming a load of firewood home from the North. His horse got away from him while going down the hill near the Center store, and ran with the load, finally ending up at the back of Mrs. Charles Longley's house with a broken shaft and an everturned load of wood. Mr. and an overturned load of wood who jumped from the load, escaped uninjured.

Mrs, R. L. O'Brien entertained party of soldiers from Camp Devens at a corn roast at her home on Parker road, Tuesday evening. The men invited were those who were unable to dance and so have not had a chance to enjoy themselves at the many dances for soldiers.

Mr. and Mrs. J. Otis Evans and baby have returned to Pennsylvania after a short visit at the home of Mrs. W. Evans.

Shirley Grange neighbored with Pepperell Grange on Friday evening of this week.

Mrs. R. L. O'Brien and family, who have been occupying the home of H. F. Grout on Parker road this summer. expect to return soon to their home in Mr. and Mrs, Bertram Hall and

family, of West Acton, were guests last Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Bradford. Mrs. Mabel Graves is spending a few days this week in Randolph, Vi.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pray spent the week-end at their house on Parker The next meeting of Shirley Grange

occurs on Tuesday evening. September 17, and will be "Past lecturers' night." The program for the evening is in charge of Mrs. George Buxton, Mrs. Horace C. Harris and Mrs. Arthur Cummings Cummings. Miss Vera Bradford left Monday for

Bath, Me., where she is to resume her work as a school teacher. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dustin, of Reading, were visitors on Monday at the home of Mrs. Hattie P. Holden.

Shooting on the rifle range at Woodsville hegan in earnest Monday morning. Guards with red flags are stationed along the state road to hold stationed along the state road to hold up traffic and send it around. The names of those who go through the road are taken and they go at their own risk. It is understood that this latter continued that the is to be continued until the end (tetaber.

ing part of her vacation with friends in Nashua and Munchester, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fenno have returned to their home in Revere after spending a few days of the home. spending a few days at Mrs. Herman S. Hazen.

Miss Mildred Evans returned home

Miss Marien L. Holden, of South-The Graniteville logs who were bore, spent the week-end at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Her ert Holden.

Earl A. Graves, who has been in class 5 of the draft, was re-examined last week Friday and accepted for limited service. Elmer Wilkins, of Woodsville, was also examined hast week and placed in class 1 week and placed in class 1.

Rev. Arthur L. Bumpus, of Brooklyn, N. Y., formerly paster of St. Andrew's church, Ayer, will preach at Trinity chapel Sunday afternoon at

Mrs. C. C. Lane and family, have been spending several weeks it their house on Burrage street, return-al last week Friday to their home

ambridge. Mrs. Cora L. Hills entertained the A liance on last week Thursday at her issuamer home on Flat hill. Lunenter. There was a good attendance, and Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman presided the program for the afternoon was an iddress by Miss Annie Raines, of the Federation House, Ayer, on deaconess of Misa Raines was a pleasing of the Misa Raines was a pleasing of the state of the Mrs. Cora L. Hills entertained the Foleration House, Ayer, on deaconess work. Miss Raines was a pleasing sponser and described in detail the tork of the order which is entirely made without pay. A sum of mone given Miss Raines for her worth the soldiers, and the Albarea to furnish the entertainment of Friday evening at the Federation. Priday evening at the Federation Light refreshments were served the hostess and her assistant the meeting adjourned for

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.ve engine. account of shooting on the to the Woodsville school barge of the woodsville school barke of the go out Longley road to Shift and thence through Notice to the school. The lengthence a great inconvenience, and the committee age investigating some arrangements can be made salve the problem.

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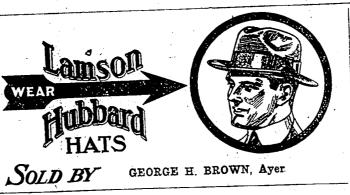
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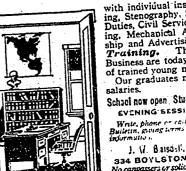
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#### TOWNSEND

Mr. and Mrs. W. W. Goodale, of the Hawaiian Islands, and their son Hol-

brook, who is a student at the naval academy at Annapolis, and David Goodale and daughter Esther, of Hudson, were the guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. S. Howard, Tuesday. W. Goodale and D. Goodale are brothers of Mrs.

Miss Gertrude Higgins left Tuesday for the Framingham Normal school, where she will take up the household

The Misses Helen, Alice and Dorothy

of Quincy, were the week-end guest of their grandmother, Mrs. A. D. Fessenden.

Luther Richards, formerly of this town, now of Springfield, is the guest of his father, Andrew Richards.

Mrs. Hattie Smith Davis and bab daughter, Dorothy, have joined Mr. Davis, at their home in Arlington. Mrs. Etta Sanders, nurse, accompa-nied them and will remain for the present. They were conveyed by C. Brown in his automobile.

The Misses Evelyn and Helen Bumstead, formerly of Townsend Harbor, now of Washington, D. C., have been guests of Miss Ruth Russell. Their father, Albert Bumstead, is now con nected with the National Geographic society in Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Woods, with Woods' mother, Mrs. Horace Woods, left Wednesday for a trip to New York by auto.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving Dart, of Maymard, have been recent guests of Mrs. George Brackett, Old City. Mrs. George Brackett, Old City. Mrs. Brackett's daughter, Miss Adelaide Weil, has resumed her teaching at the Nason street school in Maynard. This is Miss Well's fifth re-election as teacher of this fifth grade.

Mr. and Mrs. Carl Wisewell, of Washington, D. C., spent the week-end and over Sunday with Mr. and in the states; there are 12 French

week for Avon, where she is to teach sether with the other pieces. The school.

The music is mostly French, which does

Dr. Ethel Rockwood, of Long Island hospital, and Miss Gertrude Rockwood spent the week-end and over Sunday at W. F. Rockwood's. Miss Gertrude has resumed her teaching of the first grade school in Watertown.

Mr. and Mrs. Newell Mitchell and Master Armond Mitchell, of Fitch-burg, were the week-end guests of Mrs. George Mitchell.

tendance. The many fall flowers in bloom added enjoyment to the outdoor meeting, which was held on the lawn. The afternoon program consisted of Victrola selections, readings by Mrs. Bliss, Mrs. Greenleaf, Mrs. Welch, Miss Alice Seaver, Mrs. Meade and Mrs. Lilla Seaver; also, a paper on "New York," by Mrs. L. Hayward (Mrs. Hayward having just returned from a motor trip through New York and New Jersey). During the social hour a flower guessing contest was en-joyed and refreshments served by the hostesses, Mrs. Cook, Mrs. Emma Clarke, Mrs. Flora Atwood and Mrs.

Charles Parker, Jack O'Brien, W. Hildreth and Wilbur Bruce visited Camp Devens on Wednesday. They were conveyed by Mrs. Levi Stevens in her automobile.

Townsend friends will be interested in the following: Ex-governor of New Hampshire, Rolland H. Spauld-ing, a native of this town, who ran second in the senatorial primary, an unces that he is not an active candidate in the convention which will name the republican candidate for the seat made vacant by the death of Senator Gallinger of that state. Mr. Spaulding refuses to campaign for the vacancy, but will not refuse the nomination, however, if chosen by the con-

Mrs. Abbie A. Barber and her daughter, Miss Alberta D. Barber, ac-companied by Rev. A. L. Struthers, seemed to eclipse them all in attend-Mr. Struthers and daughter Charlotte re-Mr. Struthers remained for a few days, attending to his fall gardening.

Mr. and Mrs. Ruov Cowdry and with Mrs. Cowdry's sister at her cot-

tage at Fort pond, Acton. Miss Carrle Dorr spent the weekend and over Sunday with relatives in East Boston and Dorchester.

Mrs. John Dix, who has been living for some time at the home of Mrs. Rufus Brown, has recently suffered a shock and is now being cared for by Birch's daughter at their home on Brookline street.

Townsend was hard hit by the frost on Tuesday night. Many late vege-tables were killed. The official read-ing was 32° above, although one resident of the village said his thermometer read 28° which is as cold as has been reported.

S. M. Keyes, of Fitchburg, inspecof public buildings, and Richard S. Beyer, of the state police depart-ment, were in town on Wednesday, the former to inspect the school buildings, and Mr. Beyer to examine our of its excellency. Fitchburg co-plates having the same system.

plete. Miss Hazel was invited away them a cordial welcome to the library. to a friend's house the first of the During the evening Supt. Herman to a friend's house the first of the evening while the young people were gathering at her home. A delightful the boys' and girls' war gardens which nembrance of the day.

of the members present, Mrs. Henry efforts in creating and maintaining Spaulding, of the Harbor, was pleas—the continued interest of the children antly surprised by being presented in their war gardens. During the with a birthday cake, beautifully decorated with flowers and myrtle. She also received a shower of cards vocal solos by Robert Copeland, with from the members, the occasion being plano accompaniment by Mrs. Cope-

her sixty-eighth birthday anniversary. land. Word has been received by Mr. and At the close of the evening's proMrs. George Mitchell that their gram an informal reception to the grandson, Private George Woods, of teachers was held. The list of the his work in the trenches in spite of the stown, first trombone player at prize winners of the school war garCamp Wadsworth, Spartansburg, S. dens will be published in the near first of August. C., has been appointed second-oldss future,

musician of the 58th Pioneer Infantry Grange Notes. band of the national guards of the U.S. A. This is a well earned honor for young Woods, who has a natural for young Woods, who has a natural ing when a reception was give ear for music, but has never received instructions from any teacher, only what he has studied out for himself the regular business at meeting and helps along the way from Cerry The evening's program begiltchrist, a gifted cornet player of the singing of "America." town. There are 255 men in this band words of welcome were extenand it is reported that the band is Edna L. Bray, muster of

while he is in service. the Townsend band were treated to clears every Friday night during the morial hall on Monday afternoons, as there is much sewing to be described. morial hall on Monday afternoons, as Flarity and a vocal duet by F. A. there is much sewing to be done be- Woods and H. C. Knight. Vocal sefore the quota for October first is lections were also given by Mr. Mabel completed.

Townsend friends will be interested to learn that Dr. Alfred Rowley, a specialist at the Hartford hospital, Connecticut, and his wife, are doing overseas service in the medical department. Mrs. Rowley, who was a nurse in the Hartford hospital before ner marriage, was among the first to administer anæsthetic after arriving over there." Dr. Rowley is remem-bered as the second son of a former Congregational pastor here, Rev. and Mrs. C. H. Rowley, now of North Craftsbury, Vt.

Send before September 15 to Dr. J N. Murray, Littleton, for entry blanks for the dog show to be held at the Groton Farmers and Mechanics club fair, September 28.

Soldier's Letter.

Private E. H. Wesling, of Company I, 101st U. S. Infantry, writes to his friend, Frank A. Woods, snare drummer in the Townsend band, as follows, from overseas:

Received your letter some time ago but was unable to answer promptly for some reason or other. however, glad to hear from you and to learn the news of how life is in Townsend. I want to tell you something about our band over here. We buglers and 12 large snare drums in Miss Violet McKenzie left town this the band which harmonize finely to not sound as good to our ears as our own U. S. Our band is the only one in the A. E. F. that has taken the

French method. What do the people back, home think of it now after that big scrap? This outfit figured big in the play and our company was in the first wave. I saw it all and I could tell you a bookful, but I haven't the paper. I sup-The September meeting of the Birthday club was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Hattle The second day of the drive we took the birthday club was held on the second day of the drive we took the birth a wonderful yiew and a big hill with a wonderful view and the sight that held my eyes was the most wonderful that I have ever seen -boys in khaki crossing the valley on our left in endless waves under heavmachiné gun fire, keeping steadily on without one sign of flinching. That was something worth looking at. Well we are in the rear now for a while, expecting to go up again soon. I was just hoping that they would leave us alone for awhile until we get rested up a little.

I haven't seen Leon Marshall or Charles Clinton for over a month. I don't know how they are coming along. Harold Miller was over in our billets and he said the news from home was very scarce. I know that out of twenty-five letters that were written in July I have received answers to only six. I don't know whether the others are lost or not. With best wishes to all.

Your friend. Priv. E. H. Wesling.

Concerts Proved Popular.

There has been a very large at tendance at the band concerts during he summer season just closed. sides the townspeople there have been many from other towns, including a large number of auto parties who have enjoyed the excellent concert programs presented by the band un-The last concert, however, given on

motored Monday to the Struthers ance and in the fine concert program summer home in Nelson, N. H. Mrs. rendered. Repeated applause was rendered. Repeated applause was Mrs. Frank Hamilton, of Stevens hill, given many of the selections, includurned with them the same day, while ing the Hawalian song, "Aloha oe." alto horn solo, by John J. Piper, and lays, attending to his fall gardening. "My old Kentucky home," variations. r. and Mrs. Ruoy Cowdry and by baritone, cornet, clarinet and pic-two young daughters, Ruth and colo, which was very taking with the Pauline, are enjoying a vacation visit people. The Red Cross booth on the common hand concert evenings has received liberal patronage, and Townsend auxiliary appreciates the efforts of all who have helped make the sales so successful. The total amount cleared was \$140.81.

Parent-Teachers' Meeting.

The first fall meeting of the Parent-Teacher association was held or Tuesday evening in the high schoolwith about seventy-five in at-nce. The meeting was opened by the chairman of the committee in charge, T. J. Harvey, who introduced the installing officer, T. E. Flarity, who proceeded to install the following officers for the coming year: Albe S. Howard, pres.; Mrs. C. Meade, p.; Mrs. H. A. Bray, sec.; Mrs. R. E. Smith, treas. The installation was especially interesting as the form and method was entirely new and original with Mr. Flarity.

new fire alarm system, having heard of its excellency. Fitchburg contemoutine of the year's work, stating that Following the installation the presi- Joseph McKean, Seventeen of the schoolmates and from the preventative side rather than the association stood for patriotism young friends of Miss Hazel I. Domina tendered her a surprise party on Wednesday evening, the occasion being her sixteenth birthday anniversary. The party was planned by her sixteenth birthday anniversary. The party was planned by her sixteenth birthday anniversary. The party was planned by her sixteenth birthday anniversary. The party was planned by her welcomed them in the name of will also be present. A large audience mother, and the surprise was com-

evening was spent with music and the playing of games. Refreshments were nations of money from the Congregaserved by Mrs. Domina. Miss. Hazel the boys and girls war gardens which have been made possible by donations of money from the Congregational church, the public safety comreceived many pleasing gifts in re- mittee, Grange and the school board. There were in all 130 gardens among At the meeting of the Methodist L. the children in town. Special credit B. S., held at the home of Mrs. Lucy was given the local supervisor, Miss Lawrence, Wednesday afternoon, one Alberta D. Barber, for her untiring of the members present, Mrs. Henry efforts in creating and maintaining

An unusually pleasant even spent at the Grange on Monday

made up of the best men of all the Grange, and a response was given be bands in the camps. Private Woods' Supt. H. C. Knight, in which he point bands in the camps. Frivate woods Supt. H. C. Kinght, in which he point wife and baby daughter, Mary Adeline, are remaining in Cornish, Me., be derived from the Grange, and expressed the hope that the good feel ing of the Grange toward the teacher Brackett, including the new war song

Three wonderful letters from home The address of the evening on the subject of "Education," was delivered by A. H. Wheelock, chaplain of the was delivered State Grange, in his lively, emphatic manner, with touches of wit and humor, which was enjoyed and appreclated by all. He emphasized the im-portance of choice in education which might become a curse if wrongly directed; and showed that education should not be entirely literary as in former times nor too practical as is the tendency at present, but pointed out that the true purpose of education was to train young men and women to serve others for the public good.

At the close of the program an informal reception was given to the teachers and school committee. Light refreshments of punch and cookies were served in charge of Mr. and Mrs C. A. Parker. About seventy were

Townsend Hill Notes.

Fred Stanley, of North Adams, week-end guest of his sister, Mrs. S. McNear, at Woodbine Place.

Capt, Warren Barnaby and family who have been visitors at the Cope and home, have returned to their home in Philadelphia, Pa.

Miss Sarah Copeland has resumed her teaching duties in Montclair N J Aaron J. Hinds has gone to Melrose to spend the winter with his daughter Mrs. Forestine Hinds Dickerson. Mrs. Hinds is remaining on the hill a few weeks longer, preparatory to closing the home, after which she will join the home, after which Mr. Hinds in Melrose.

Miss Bessie Kilbourn, of Lunen burg, is visiting her aunt, Mrs. Arthur

John Walker, of Fitchburg, has een a recent guest of his daughter Miss Carrie Walker, at A. Barber's, Mr. and Mrs. John Felch and young son visited their former home in Greenfield, N. H., the first of the week, going by auto with Miss Carrie

Mr. and Mrs. Stanley McNear and little son Baker motored to Waltham on Wednesday, returning with Mr. Near's mother, who will make them an extended visit.

West

William W. Webster commenced work in Vose on Wednesday morning, going back and forth on the train each

Mrs. Lucy Hamilton, who has bee Edgar Campbell, Townsend hill, has returned to her home on Stevens' hill .Mr. and Mrs. Walter Weston, with some of their livestock, have removed to Ashby for the present, where Mr. Weston and his team are employed in assisting in the building of the state road between Ashby and Ashburnham, where they expect to remain until that

work ceases. Mrs. Everett Pierce and grandson, Donald Pierce, who have been spendng the summer at Twin Maples, have

Mr. and Mrs. George Upton have returned from their vacation, which was spent with relatives in Hancock, Mrs. Mary Wilson, who has been New Ipswich, N. H., for a part of the

summer, returned to the home of her son, Ernest G. Wilson, for a few days, pefore starting for a visit to Nashua. Mr. and Mrs. Myron Adams, who man have been visiting Mrs. Adams' sister, was Mrs. Frank Hamilton, of Stevens' hill,

home in Atlanta, Ga., where Mr. Adams is dean in Atlanta university. Mrs. Breed, who has been visiting

her mother, Mrs. Henry B. Hathaway, has returned to her home in Victory

Miss Halm; Myllykanzas, of Fitch burg, commenced her duties as teacher of the grammar school this week, and is boarding at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Reed.

Ashbel Streeter, who has been mending his vacation with relatives in fort Hull, Revere, has returned to his home

Mr. and Mrs. John McT Boston, who are stopping of the home of Richard McElligott, entert and an auto load of friends from

Mrs. Hayward, of Baylor: i.i.l. Mrs. Welch and Miss Seaver
 Birthday attended the meeting of club at Mrs. Hattie Cooks of the Center, last Tuesday.

- ting head. Prof. Cowell, from supply the emy, Ashburhham w pulpit at the Baptist council on Sun-day morning in the large of Rev. month's vacation at the evening a rally in the interest of the Y. P. S. C. E. will be held in the vestry. The speaker of the evening will be Rev. Lionel Wriston who has been supplyter, who will deliver an address, and Secretary Broks, from Fitchburg, will also be present. A large audience

Herbert Litch of Cattaraugus, N. Y., has been a recent visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bouin town Friday 6, when Albert telle, of Bayberry hill, where he has seven years, recubeen overlooking the Albert Wyman hand by coming place, which he has recently purchased from Mr. Wyman.

be present and bring someone with

Mrs. John Dickerman and daughter Louise, who have been spending a few weeks with Mrs. Lucy Lawrence, are now visiting in Brookline, N. H., before returning to their home in Allston

Word has been received that Irving Streeter, son of Ashbel Streeter, who pital, where is on the firing line "over there," has to amounted been slightly wounded in the hand, but not severely enough for him to re-

Mrs. Charles Harris, from Sutton, badly mained.

Canada, is a guest at the home of his The many friends of Miss Blanche niece, Mrs. John Clarke. He is eighty- Whitcomb and Raymond DeCoff exthree years of age and in spite of his tend congratulations to them upon and buried in the garden in order. as made by auto.

as usual.

Miss Belle Lovering, who is employ ed in Leominster, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Oscar overing.

Mrs. George Hayward and daughter Isabelle have returned to their home on Bayberry hill after spending pleasant vacation with relatives Ashburnham and on a motor trip to New Jersey, where her son resides, Mrs. Ethel Welch has given up her

position at the Center and is at presnt at her home here. ent at her home here.

Mrs. G. M. Frye is enjoying a vacation, the spending a few weeks in Boston and Saturday. Mr. Litchileld it a G. A. R. man and veteran of the and vicinity, and Miss Inez McElligott is assisting at the postoffice dur-

ing her absence. Mrs. George M. Harwood, of Barre is visiting her daughter, Mrs. W. A Boutwell. Ralph Glazier and family, who hav

been stopping with his mother, Mrs Lizzle Glazier, at Mrs. Clara Perkins' stopping with his mother, Mrs. has returned to his home in Johns Miss Addie Bruce, of the Center, I

pending a few days with friends in town. Miss Bertha Boynton, who has be visiting relatives in Lowell and at their summer home at Canoble Lake, has

returned to her home. Mrs. Samuel Wares, who recently underwent a severe operation at the Burbank hospital in Fitchburg, has returned to her home on the Fitch

Clarence Streeter has returned from vacation spent visiting relatives in Waltham and Kingston, and has left his boarding place at H. L. Stickney and is stopping for the present at the

iome of his brother, George Streeter

Mrs. Foster Hamilton has been or the sick list for the past week, but is now reported as improving. Mrs. Fred Dwinell and children unior and Persis, who have been visiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs

Alexander Reed, returned Monday to their home in Somerville. Miss Agnes Thompson, who is employed in Fitchburg, spent the week-end with her mother, Mrs. Charles E.

Miss Maud Hodson, who has been isiting Mrs. Susan Morgan the past veek, has returned to her hom Mrs. Eliza Tebbetts, Mrs. Melrose, has returned to Mrs. Mor-

James L. Flynn and family, who spend their summers here, have closed their cottage and returned to Brook-lyn, N. Y., for the winter.

Miss Gladys Newell, from New Ipswich, N. H., is boarding at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Henry B. Hathaway, and attending the Townsend high school.

Ernest Kaddy and family, from Revere, spent the week-end with relatives in Josselynville, making the trip by auto. Mr. and Mrs. Chester Davis have

returned from a brief wedding trip daughter Marion attended the Robin-and commenced housekeeping at their son reunion in Littleton last Monday. cottage on the Ashby road, formerly the Jesse Cutting place.

Mrs. Earl Breed, from Victory, Vt. visiting her mother. Mrs. Henry B. Hathaway.

Mrs visiting her mother, Mrs. M. L. Willard:

Mrs. Fred A. Patch, who has been visiting her son, Edward Patch, of Brookline, has returned to her home pulpit Sunday morning at the

Ayer. Mr. Conway, of Salem, has been a

recent guest at the home of Mr. and and Mrs. Clarence it seel in dored to Mrs. A. J. Manchester Stoddard list Saturday. They climbed Mrs. Addie Evans was called Worcester this week to attend the fu-

neral of her brotheron-law, Henry Wyman, of that city. Mrs. S. E. Walte, the has been visiting at the home of G. A. Seaver, returned last week Fr. cy merning to Waltham.

LUNENBURG

Nows Items.

August 13 while Herbert W. Hagar, who is in the employ of Wiley & Foss of Fitchburg, was the ing he received right side of . . : plank, which are bruise. He applica right on with he -On Monday, Sept. considerably swi went to Bur- ducing m. n X-ray pic- bother new he gave up word ture was taken, s vealed a frac- years. tured jaw. The was reduced therefore iled and Mr. home gr Hagar was made comfortable. them ... but will have inger. for several days.

aged eighty. decay, badly injured soil. contact with an Sanderson house with a caying ma was sawing wood gasoline engine Mr. Fisk was ted for car machine he put of hand in such caught by the humus in th od was called seed on the and found the hand adly lacerated as the pare Burbank hos- square feet and he conveyed h and necessary The seed to amputate three finger, also, was ... y injured. It this follow his good right | starts cor

extreme years enjoyed the trip, which their marriage, which occurred on We diesely. September 1 in Cambridge, at the residence of Rev. and Every war and home golds.

Charles Stickney, from Nishua N. H., was in town the first of the week

Ernest G. Wilson has given up his position in Brockelman's market in Clinton and purchased the tea route eccently sold by Clarence I. Webster to Hudson Bray, of the Center, Mr. Bray being obliged to give up the business as he has entered the serve having been organist. They will make

We diesely. September 1 in Cambridge, will.

Every war and home golds should start making plets to account the pressual stable manure possible. Many the gardens are quite likely to provide and other friends. Both the origin and less each succeeding year mises in large amounts.

HARVARD Wednesday, Bray being obliged to kive up the business as he has entered the service. Mr. Wilson has leased a part of Mrs. Lucy Lawrence's barn for his team and commenced his new business

Owing to the very poor health of The War Relief Workers met at the Mrs. Charles Gower, she and her huslittle red house, Wednesday afternoon, sand gave up their tenement over the market store and returned to their home in Maine last week Thursday. Mrs. Gower has entered a hospita there for treatment. from melancholia and hardenuz of the arteries.

> Mr. and Mrs. George I. Gilchrest hrest, return to their home in Penn-ylvania, Saturday, September 14. James A. Litchfield attended the antual reunion of his regiment, the 40th

> Civi! war. Edwin C. Smith and two other soldiers from Camp Devens attended morning service in the Congregational

church last Sunday, Instead of spending the winter in Fitchburg, as has been their custom of late years, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Hills will live with Mrs. Edwin C. Smith and moved in on Monday.

Herman W. Bruce of Gleasondale is boring an artesian well for Warren Lewis on the land between the store and the town hall. At the present writing they have gone down sixty feet, but have not yet found water sufficient to satisfy the demand.

New telephones in town-Melvin Aselton 34-12, Willis O. Perry 54-12, Lewis L. Harrington 15-12, all on Massachusetts avenue, and Clement Elliott, Arbor street, 15-2.

Send before September 15 to Dr. J N. Murray, Littleton, for entry blanks for the dog show to be held at the Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' club fair, September 28.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

Miss Gladys Burns, of Milford, was a gust of her sister, Mrs. Silas Wheeler. Monday.

At the Red Cross meeting of surgical dressings on Tuesday afternoon a demonstration of the front line pack-ets was given by Miss Smith, of Mil-A good number of ladies were present.

Miss Helen Rockwood has entered high school in Townsend

Pauline Williams, little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Harry Williams, was operated on for adenoids at St. Josincerely grateful the many friends Morgan's daughter, who has been seph's hospital in Nashua on last spending a few days at her home in week Wednesday. She returned on the following day and is doing nicely. All the schools opened last week Tuesday, with Miss Parsons, of Gloucester, Mass., as teacher at the North primary; Miss Mildred Dodge, of Groton, Mass., at the village primary, and Miss Gardner, of Lowell, Mass., at the grammar school.

Misses Marion Stiles and Mary Brown returned to their school duties on last Saturday. Arthur Brown has been spending .

few days of his vacation with Mr. and Mrs. Will Rockwood, in Cambridge, Dr. and Mrs. Charles Holcombe and

Rev. E. P. Kelly and family are enjoying a three-weeks vacation. They are visiting at Camp Drumlin, Merri-They mack, Mass., and also at the home of Hathaway.

Mrs. Foley has been spending a few days at her former home in Fitchburg.

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lross entertainment amounted to \$30.11. Thelma Shattuck sold over five dollars' worth of popcorn.

Rev. C. W. Dockrill occupied the

gational church. Mrs. A. D. Winship who has been assisting at the home of Mrs. Clara is closed for the summer, and Mar-Perkins, has returned to her home in garet Hadley and Miss Jane Ward re-The Hadley house on Milford street is closed for the summer, and Marturned to Cambridge on Montay.

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News Items.

On last Monday Wynne P. Cleaves summer for Alexander Williams, resumed his studies at the Waltham high school.

Rev. Clayton R. Bowen, of Mead-Divinity school, Meadville, Pa. suffers will preach at the Unitarian church on Sunday. Dr. Bowen is the son-in-law of Rev. Henry H Barbor, at one time minister of this church. and little son, George L. jr., who have church school meets at the close of the morning service, this time being facents, Mr. and Mrs. James S. Gilthe most convenient and decided upon at the conference last Sunday. Notices for the church calendar should be sent to Miss Lillibridge on or before September 20.

The Woman's Alliance met with Mrs. A. W. Bryant and was well at-tended, and a great deal accomplished. The sermon theme at the Congregational church on Sunday morning will be "Christianity in action." church be present, since it will have a vital connection with plans recently meet the needs of a progressive church,

On Monday afternoon George F Pollard-of this town was called into the office of Farley, Harvey & Co., Boston, and there received one of the nost happy and pleasant surprises of his life. This consisted of a large silver loving cup presented to him by the firm and his associates as a toker of their love and esteem after fifty years' association with them. Engraved on the loving cup was the folowing: "George F. Pollard from Farley, Harvey & Co., in recognition lowing: of fifty years as associates. 1868. 1918."

The ladies of the Benevolent society net with Mrs. Frank D. Ryan for an all-day work on Red Cross sewing. A large number of the ladies were pres ent and enjoyed the day very much: Basket lunch was served, Mrs. Rvan furnishing coffee, baked beans and bread, with hot johnny cake to all present. Mrs. Raymond Wright, pf ancaster, and Mrs. Robert McGray of Ayer, both daughters of Mrs. Ryan, were present as guests for the day.

It will be of interest to the wide circle of friends of Pauline Lundstrom to know that she has discharged from the children's hos pital in Brookline as completely cured of her hip trouble. Just four years ago this month Mr. and Mrs. Lundstrom took her to this hospital for joice with them at the really wonderof their little girl, who have made particular effort to help sp weary days by their gifts and thought

for her comforts. Miss Herta Maret returned on last Wednesday to Yonkers, N. Y., after a two-weeks' visit with her friend, Miss Baker.

Miss Lillian Taylor is acting as as-Mrs. Cleaves. Mr. and Mrs. Bert Cleaves are en-

a tale of exciting adventures, thrills and suspense. Edith Storey wil the motion picture show this Saturday evening; also, Screen Telegram. Send before September 15 to Dr. J. N. Murray, Littleton, for entry blank

Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' club fair, September 28.

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To the Honorable the Justices of the Superior Court within and for the County of Middlesex: RESPECTFULLY libels and repre-sents Augusta Wilen of Collinsville County that chi married to Nestor Wilen now of Madison, Maine, at Burlington, Vermont,

on the twenty-eighth day of August. A.D. 1909, and thereafterwards your libellant and the said Nestor Wilen ived together as husband and wife in this Commonwealth, to wit, at said Collinsville; that your libellant has always been faithful to her marriage vows and obligations, but the said Nestor Wilen, being wholly regardless of the same, at said Collinsville, has contracted a gross and confirmed habit of intoxication caused by the voluntary and excessive use of intoxcating liquor, opium or other drugs; That said libeliee has subjected your

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#### Saturday, September 14, 1918. GROTON

News Rems.

The residents of the Chicopee district had a jolly good time Labor day at the little red schoolhouse, where so many pleasant occasions have taken place. The outing took the form of a lawn party, twenty-four being able to attend, who brought boxes of lunch. Games were played and a general good time was enjoyed.

Mrs. Odber S. Folkins entertained Miss Catherine De Forest, of Boston, and Miss Marion Kief, of Cambridge, last week.

Canada, where they have been during of lunch which was bought by the the summer.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gay are enjoying a visit from their daughter.
Mrs. John Simmons, and two children. of Brockton.

James T. Bennett and family have been entertaining friends this week. Miss Geneieve Harrington has accepted a position to teach in Lunen-burg and commenced her duties there last week Tuesday. Miss Harrington was graduated from the Fitchburg

Normal school in June. Mrs. Cedric Hodgman, having en-yed a two-weeks' visit with Mr. and Georgo Hodgman, returned to her home in Beverly last Monday.

Miss Elizabeth Whitehill, having opening of the Ayer schools on Wednesday of last week.

Miss Irene Tyrrell, who passed a delightful summer with her parents in town, has left to resume her duties as teacher in Springfield.

Lieut, and Mrs. Baudeleon, of Camp Devens, are rejoicing over the birth of a daughter, born to them at the Groton hospital on Sunday, Septem-

The Middlesex Rebekah lodge will entertain the Alpha Past Noble Grands association on Tuesday, Sep-

George Folkins enjoyed a visit with relatives in Worcester last week and.

Mrs. Prescott Leonard, who has been ill at Dr. Ayres' private hospital, is much improved in health and plans to leave for Colorado on Friday. James Harrington is away on his

annual vacation from his active duties store of Grant W. Shattuck, where he has been for a number of

Mrs. M. N. Diall, of Brookline, is visiting her sister, Mrs. William Tyr-She plans to remain in Groton for several weeks.

B. H. Tyrrell, who runs an automobile supply station in Ayer, was unfortunate in having his shop broken Wednesday night. Among other things stolen were ten new tires. The loss is estimated at about \$400.

William S. Nutter, of Worcestor, has recently visited some of his friends

Miss Ruth Blood returned to Arlington on Monday to begin a new year as teacher.

C. A. Shaw and family returned home last Saturday after a pleasant summer vacation.

Mrs. Ellen A. Barrows attended the Sandy pond school annual reunion was held there recently, and n original poem on the occa-Mrs. Frost and Mr. and Mrs. Mrs. Kennie Fletcher were other representatives from Groton.

Mrs. Lucy Howard, who has been the guest of Mrs. George Mason, has gone to her home in West Newbury. Miss Beatrice Murphy, who took a post-graduate couse in the high

school last year, has entered Salem Normal school, going there on Mon-

novement among farmers are cordially invited to be present.

for the dog show to be held at the Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' club fair, September 2s.

Rev. Arthur S. Burrows recently had a narrow escape from a scrous injury while about to hoard a moving train from Foxboro to Boston. After putting his hand hag on the platform of the car he grasped one of the group hars and was about to step on where bars and was about to step on where the train started and in some way was the train started and in some may the train started and in some may dragged 200 feet, tearing his cothes and dragged 200 feet, tearing his cothes at the Market and M but without causing serious it, The registration of men T

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Lawrence a check for \$75,00 as a result of these gatherings.

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Miss Marguerite Leonard, who re ently visited a friend in Bethel, Conn returned to her school duties in Chic opee on Monday of last week. The Middlesex Pomona Grange

hold an all-day session in Pepperell on Thursday, September 19. The September meeting of the Bird club will be held next Tuesday at the

tion should see the president, Rev. Charles B. Ames. At the meeting of the Grange Tues-day evening the gentlemen occupied

Mr. and Mrs, Everett C. Williams day evening the gentlemen occupied the officers' chairs and furnished the officers' chairs are chairs and the officers' chairs are chairs and chairs are chairs and chai A sum of seven dollars, was realized. George McKee was one of the speakers of the evening. Their annual sale will be held in the town hall on Tuesday, October 8. Mrs. Mary Shattuck, who broke her

hip nearly two years ago, was taken to Malden last week, where she will be cared for at the home of her daugh-ter, Mrs. Etta Armstrong. The first session of Sunday schoo

of the Unitarian church will be held next Sunday at 11.45. Miss Alice Woods, who is employed

by the Pettengill-Andrews Electric Co. of Boston, is visiting a few weeks at her home on Main street. Miss Cullen, the district nurse

enjoyed a ten-days' trip to Northern be at Squannacook hall, West Groton, enjoyed a ten-days' trip to Northern be at Squannacook hall, West Groton, all day next Tuesday, to receive the mothers with their children under five years of age who found it impossible o go to Groton to have their weighing and measuring test taken:

Alice Halpin and Anna Doherty have left town for Washington, D. o spend the month of September Mrs. Prescott Leonard wishes to

raciously acknowledge the kindness of everyone who assisted at the lawn fete for the benefit of the Community service at Camp Devens. As Mr. Locke, who took charge of the financial end of the affair, is away on his vacation it will be impossible to an-nounce accurately the amount of the

net proceeds. The Hillsborough County Pomons bers of the Groton Grange who attended were as follows: Mrs. J. E. Adams, Mrs. Odber S. Folkins, Mrs.

Mr. and Mrs. Wallace A. Brown. Edward Aitken returns to Dartmouth college Monday, September 16. .The members of the Woman's club rish to announce that they are to join

m the campaign of collecting plum cherry and peach stones, and all kinds of nut shells which will assist in furnishing carbon to equip soldiers with gas masks. Grant W. Shattuck has kindly consented to give a space in his store for this purpose. All residents of the town are therefore earnestly of the town are therefore earnestly requested to save all stones and shells and leave them there, that they may be sent to headquarters, hoping that they may save the lives of some of the soldier boys.

Miss Helen Wiseman has accepted position as teacher in Winchendon for the coming year.

The harvest moon which fails this year on September 20, has peculiar characteristics, rising several days in succession shortly after sunset, thus enabling the farmers to get in their harvests by moonlight. It may be interesting to know that the Old Farmers' Almanac predicts a warm spell a. the way from September 14 to September 24.

Albert M. Shattuck, of Worcester is visiting this week with his uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. Grant W.

Shattuck. A band of gypsies passed through

town on Thursday and were headed toward Pepperell. Two provost guards of the camp Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fallon, who live in the mill district, have been enjoying a visit from their son, Perley Fallon.

Mr. and Mrs. Peter Fallon, who live and local police are searching for an automobile and a soldier who left camp on Wednesday afternoon. The automobile was sold to Fred Carpenland.

The Alliance will meet with Mrs. delphia and his wife will soon it invited to be present.

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iroton Fair. One of the facts that seem to be One of the facts that seem to be lost right of by local people is that the two-day fair, September 27-28, will be held under the auspices of the Middlerex-North Agricultural society in conjunction with the Farmers' club. It will be an all-day picnic and the members are requested to bring box lunches. Those who wish transportation should see the provident Date and the successful fairs in the past and it is felt that this local fair will receive added prestige for their support The Middlesex-North has always held rangements are progressing satisfac-torily and those of us who are apt to take a pessimistic view will un-

doubtedly receive a surprise at the nagnitude and thorough completemagnitude and thorough completes ness of the coming carnival. Never before has such widespread interest been manifested. Even the program advertising usually a difficult and sluggish feature of all fair arrangements, has taken on a decided boom; outside tradesmen are liberal buyers of space this year, so much so, that the advertising committee has found it necessary to reserve some spaces in order to take care of the possible demands of local merchants, who are expected to give their usual

liberal support. At the meeting held last week Friy day morning and will take a furnish-d ed house and enjoy themselves as well day night arrangements were com-pleted for the cooping of 200 poultry exhibits. Through the energy and ed house and enjoy then exhibits. Through the energy and as they can in the city. Coresight of John Moyle, one of the club's, most active members, a deal has been consummated whereby the exhibition coops used at the Worcester fair will now become the property of the Farmers' club. Mr. Taylor, the club president, was elected superintendent of the fair. All committees reported substantial progress. on the plans for the biggest celebration that Groton has ever had; for that is what this year's two-day fair is rapidly developing into.

Moseley Hale is father of a plan to hold a baby show at the fair. The matter was discussed by the members, but no action taken, as it was felt more data was needed before

proceeding further.

There has been some talk as to the advisability of holding a Ford automobile race, but the plan has been definitely turned down. The fact that Mr. Carpenter, Groton's genial sta-Grange was held at Wilton, N. H., on tion agent, and well-known as an ex-Wednesday of last week. The memrecently lost his pet Lizzie in the army service, was undoubtedly a factor in the matter. Mr. Carpenter reports J. E. Messenger, Mrs. F. C. Bishop and great progress in the matter of the old-fashioned country dinner, which will be a big feature.

. Children's day at the fair will be on Friday, September 27—not Saturday, as heretofore stated. The time for live stock entries has been extended to September 24.

To the Editor:

We note still another emission from the honor roll of former Lawrence academy students now serving their country in this great war. The name of Horbert W. Moore the country in the great war. of Herbert W. Mason should be found there. He has risen by his own merit to the rank of chief engineer on one the ships of the Asiatic squadron, which at last accounts was anchored in Manila bay. His duties are exacting and responsibilities great. He says, "It is a pleasure for me to realize that I am in the military service of the United States and I stand ready to cheerfully sacrifice for the principles which make us a nation peculiar above all others. If I have to remain here I shall continue to do my best for my

country as my duties come." Another Lawrencian.

Food Administration Notice.

The shortage of farm labor is being felt very keenly just now in Groton, especially when frosts make it imperative to handle certain crops at once. Unfortunately, it is impossible to secure extra boys immediately. but next week, on the opening of Groton School, there should be an abundant supply of boys to help in the varvesting of later crops. Applications should be made to Mr. Farr, Mr. Re-

camp on Wednesday afternoon. The automobile was sold to Fred Carpenter, station agent, of this town. Wednesday afternoon miss Florence Gates, his vacation, part of last week and over the week-end.

Arthur Wood has purchased Mitchell touring car.

Horace Buckingham and family are enjoying a vacation.

At the meeting of the Groton Local N. E. Mik Producers' association, to be held on Monday evening at 7.30 o'clock, Richard Pattee, manager of o'clock, Richard Pattee, manager of the association, will speak on the wirk of the organization. All farmers and others interested in this co-operative movement among farmers are cordial for the content of t

E. D. Howe returned Wednesday

F Gleason.

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Miss Ruth Blood is back in Arburon her second year, which means the second year, which means the second year, which means the second year. san has been very successful.

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the congregation who are always ashoot will be the congregation who are always among the younger set of the sumst welcome. Sunday school will be a sessions on this Sunday.

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Baptist church on Tuesday evening.

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and women in military or Red Cross service. These now number more

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of those qualified to vote at the pri-

The next regular meeting of the Grange will be held on Tuesday even-ing, September 17, when final action will be taken regarding the holding of the annual fruit and poultry show in conjunction with the annual exhibition of the Harvard Canning and who have been visiting them during the vacation, have returned to their Evaporating club. It has been suggested that prizes this year be limited to ribbons only, and that the entire gate receipts be devoted to Red Cross benefits. If you have any new ideas or preference in regard to this matter next Tuesday evening will be the best

time to mention the same. Miss Hattle Farwell is to move into the Edgar Harrod house, and Miss Hildreth is to occupy Miss Ellen Gam-age's house this coming winter.

Chicago to make their home until af-A rummage sale under the auspices of the Woman's club and directed by occupying their bungalow on the Low-occupying their bungalow on the Low-ell road, have returned to their home in Somerville, as Miss Dorothy enters in Somerville, as Miss Dorothy enters Boston university and Miss Helen is be held at the lower town hall, Fri-Lawrence E, Blood, who has worked for Hollingsworth & Vose in their buttons from all are solicited, including in West Groton, left there last Saturday and is now working in Bossada anything salable. The proceeds day afternoon and evening, September Saturday and is now working in ties and anything sainted problem ton, still in the paper business. He to the sale will be used for town betton, still in the West Groton mill for health will be received on Thursday afternoon and Friday morning walls. Bring to sell. Come to buy Mrs. J. L. Gilson left town on Mon-That we may Harvard beautify.

Still River.

Mr. and Mrs. George Fletcher, of Park Harrington is expecting to be Clinton, are guests of their nephew. John Bigelow, and wife. called into camp soon; also, Mark and The family who have been caring

Mrs. Howard Stone has a cousin George Hohghton, with her. F. W. Bateman and eister spent

Thursday in Boston. Their brother, Luther Bateman, of Arlington, has been with them for a little visit. evening, but only the faithful pheared. Quite a good lot of Mrs. Sybil Tucker, of Leominster, ias been at the Dadmun home for

lew days. Mrs. Walter Haskell has had a

Ralph Sargent goes to Clark col-lege; Worcester, Tuesday, for military training, and David has enlisted and brother and sister as guests. S. B. Haynes is away on a vacation, taking a trip up the Hudson river and visiting friends in Central New York. The Wright family, Main street, are taking a trip up the Hudson river and taking a trip up the Hudson river

Mrs. Julia Keyes entertained Mrs. sick. Several other families are af-Nancy Vose and Mrs. Susie Morrison of West Acton, Thursday; also, Miss Two automobiles collided near the ouise Dyar, of Harvard, and Miss Katherine Lawrence.

SHIRLEY

have passed their summers in Canada for severall years, are planning to spend the winter there this year. lews Items Mrs. William Coddington leaves next Monday morning for Martin's Ferry Ohio, to spend a vacation of two weeks Misses Mildred and Ruth Simonds with her parents. daughters of Gardner Simonds, of Manchester, N. H., have fine positions

The Ladies' circle of the Congrega ional church will hold their first m in Washington, D. C., with excellent salaries to begin with. Mr. Simonds will be well remembered as a Grotoniing of the winter season in the ladies arlor of the church next Wednesday

afternoon at three o'clock. Miss Gladys Phelps is spending a vaweeks with relatives at cation of two weeks w Boston and Waverley.

Rev. S. W. Sanford, Congregational minister at Camp Devens, will speak Center. at the morning service at the chapel

At the First Parish church last Sun day Rev. N. S. Hoagland of Concord supplied the pulpit acceptably. Mrs. harlotte H. Knox was at her the organ. Miss Parker assisted in egular meeting on September 19 will the church music Sunday, September Services as usual at eleven o'clock Soldiers and the public invited. The proceeds of

TOWNSEND

After less than two months train ing in camp in this country the safe arrival of bester Spear in France is

reported. Groton will do all in their power to help the cause along and that this first social tea will prove so pleasant Letters received from France from Walter Brow give interesting data reltive to an encounter between his roopship and a submarine.

Harry Erysian, who has been gaged at the Knowlton farm, left last Tuesday to begin a course of study at the, M. A. C.

Groton babies under five years of age Mrs. Harry Dustin is entertaining friends from Shirley this week. A fine opportunity for mothers to ob-John Dustin has returned from Rev. and Mrs. William Ganley have visit to his sister in Peterboro, N. H. This is Mr. Dustin's first visit from

A. D. Bagley visited his daughter in Springfield, Vt., on last Cornelius Keefe is reported on the Mrs. McKensie, as nurse

The new draft age limit includes the following names: Clarence La-Fountain, Frank Conant, Horace Bur-bank, Thomas Hollohan, Charlie King, Louis Josselyn, George Gil-chrest, Harry and Wallie Dustin, Fred Ross, Charlie Spaulding, Clifford Keenan, Euclide Cordeau, Harry Wright, Engene and Oscar Blood, Henry Barlow and two Finns. the following names: Clarence La-

The annual business meeting of the As You Like It club was held on Tuesday at Sachem Villa. Officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Going on Friday Mrs. Spaulding Mrs. Charles Noyes, pres.; Miss Hes ter Burdett, v. p.; Mrs. R. B. Adams, pent the week-end in Allston, returnsec. and treas. A social afternoon followed the business hour. The next Roscoe Hill has been ill with tonmeeting will be with Mrs. Lawrence go an operation for tonsils and ade-

Send before September 15 to Dr. J N. Murray, Littleton, for entry blanks for the dog show to be held at the Groten Farmers' and Mechanics' club fair, September 28.

LITTLETON

News Items. The surgical dressings committee of Newtown met for work at Mrs. Stacy Bates' home Thursday afternoon. About a 125 men were expected to exister at the town hall on Thursday. Frederick Johnson went to Boston Monday to begin the study of naval aviation.

The Misses Porter of West Acton have been the guests of their niece, Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb, this week. J. F. Moore is about his regular

work after his long illness and treatment at the hospital. Mr. and Mrs. Jerome Burtt and baby of Orange were recent guests at E. A. Plages to himself to come and Flages. The Misses Olive and Laurice

Flagg accompanied them upon their return to Orange and visited there several days. The photo play given at the motion picture entertainment Wednesday evening received universally the most favorable comment. The pictures

Letters have been received this ward for a few days every season and the has a well acquaintance, who are likewise and to make he has a well acquaintance, who are likewise and to make he has a well-acquaintance. cation and are expected home next Judge Sanderson and his son Robert

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next week. Julia Downing gave a pirtneap par-ty at the home of her uncle, Edward P. Sheehan, Tuesday, September 3, when cleven of her schoolmates shared the good time provided in the way of games, stunts and refreshments on her tenth birthday.

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Saturday, September 14, 1918.

#### AYER

#### News Items.

There is to be a concert in the Sol-diers' club, West street, Wednesday evening, September 18, at half-past seven by Yvonne de Treville, formerly Royal Opera House, assisted by three other eminent artists. The special feature will be "Daughter of the regiment," by Donizetti, given in costume Public invited.

The Liberty Sing will be held as usual at the Soldiers' club on Monday evening, September '16, led by Jack Archer, Camp Devens' song leader. Public invited.

Mr. C. N. Pollard, planist, is recelving pupils on Thursdays in Ayer of each week. Special attention to younger pupils as well as to the more dvanced. Address care of this office.

Federated church, Sunday, rally day -10.30, Rev. Charles E. Spaulding, m. E. churches, will speak. Rally of Sunday, school in auditorium at twelve o'clock, at which Mr. Spauld-Rev. H. Grant Perso ing will also speak. Young people's rally meeting at 6.30, Rev. Robert M. speaker. Mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7.45.

Alfred E. Oikle has enlisted in the Canadian Expeditionary Forces and leaves next Monday for Nova Scotia.

The following motion pictures will be given at Page hall theatre next week: Monday, Constance Talmadge in "The shuttle"; Tuesday, William Fox's superb production, "Blindness of divorce"; Wednesday, Emmy Whelan in "The house of gold"; Thursday, Varney Sherry in "Real folks"; Friday, Norma Talmadge i "Delux Annie"; Saturday, Virginia Pearson in "The fire brand."

The Unitarian Girls' club will hold their next regular meeting in the Unitarian vestry at 6.30 o'clock Wednes-day evening, September 18. Miss Nettie Roe and Miss Abble Robinson, hostesses. The members are to bring contributions to the mystery supper in a covered dish. .

Unitarian church-Sunday service (in the vestry) at 10.45. Preacher, Rev. Frank B. Crandall; subject, "The demecracy of the kingdom."

All wishing to attend Neighbors night at the Littleton Grange on Wed nesday night, September 18, will please notify the committee, H. Badger and J. M. Boutwell, not later than day night. Transportation will be furnished for those reporting.

Maj.-Gen. Henry P. McCain will hold the first review of the 12th di-vision at Camp Devens Saturday morning at 8.30. There will be 20,000 troops in line. Brig.-Gen. John N. troops in line. Brig.-Gen. John N. Hodges will lead the march at the head of the 23d infantry. Brig.-Gen. John E. Woodward will head the 24th infantry brigade. The 212th engineers. field signal battalion. machine gun company and division trains will be the other units in order.

Construction has begun for a new laundry building at Camp Devens. where 300 women will be employed to do all the washing for the camp. It will be finished in a month and operquartermaster corps, reclamation department.

Send before September 15 to Dr. J. N. Murray, Littleton, for entry blanks for the dog show to be held at the Groton Farmers' and Mechanics' club fair, September 28.

St. Andrew's Episcopal church. o'clock; morning prayer, litany and sermon at 10.30; preacher, Rev. Angus

Capt. Herbert B. Priest sailed from Rizal, Philippines, August 7, for Vladivostok, where he will be stationed with the American Forces in Siberia. Mrs. Priest expects to leave for home as soon as she can get transportation which will be very likely by the September boat.

Miss Mabelle Pickard, of Washington street, is spending her vacation of a week in Goffstown, N. H.

Miss Virginia Nickerson, of New York city, is visiting this week with Miss Helen Savage, Washington street.

Married in Ayer, by Rev. J. W. Thomas, Earl R. Blevins, a soldier, of Eldorod, Kan., and Edith V. Tibbetts, of Wilmington, Dela., September 5:
September 7, John D. Rice, a soldier, and Eleanor Shelton, of West Virginia; Robert Bowman, a soldier, and Knellie Howard, of Des Moines, Ia.

There was another baptismal service at the Baptist church last Sunday evening. Preaching Sunday morning at 10.45 by the pastor on "The men who brought a good report." Sunday school at twelve o'clock. Praise meet ing at 6.45 by young people's chorus and congregation; a short sermon at seven o'clock. B. Y. P. U. Tuesday evening at 7.30. Mid-week prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7.30.

Three persons were slightly injured on Tuesday at the camp when a motor bus containing fourteen passengers capsized when in collision with a motor ambulance. Miss Stella Brown, of Shurleville, N. Y., received wounds of the face and shoulders; John R. Waldron, Company K, 74th Infantry, was cut over the left eye, and Ralph Spearin, Company 20, Depot Brigade, and his hands cut by flying glass. The injured were taken to the base hospi-

tal, where their wounds were dressed. Quite a lively mixup took place in front of the C. R. P. Company's store last Sunday afternoon when a "regular," more or less under the influence of intoxicants, broke loose and started to clean up a few military police who had endeavored to quiet his unruly ways and escort him to a proper resting up establishment. For a few moments it seemed as though he was go-ing to have his say in the matter, but reinforcements of local police officers and a few more military police, soldiers and officers finally got him in a noncombative position and there he rest-ed until the patrol arrived for him Beatty stated to the court that such ed until the patrol arrived for him from the camp. Here again a merry time was had in getting him into the patrol, but at last the combined efforts of his captives managed to bundle him in. In the mixup a state officer who got into the engagement at the above point were:

with no chance for a war cross and a few military police received several good jobs that surely remained with hem for a few days.

The enrollment of the schools this schools this year is unusually large. The high school is 100, eighth grade 42, seventh grade 35, sixth grade 54, fifth grade 53; fourth grade 58, third grade 47, primaries—Washington street primary 44, East Main street 44, Shirley street 27. This achool has no third grade This achool has no third grade this year.

Happy Jack is back in the schools this week and is trying with the en-thusiastic co-operation of the teachers o have every member of the schools to have every member or the schools the owner of a war stamp by the end of the year. Every school has been visited this week except the high school, and that will have its turn on fonday, which day is to be thrift day in the schools, and Happy Jack hones the children will remember it, so that all others assisting. Happy Jack urges seven by Yvonne de Treville, formerly his club members to earn at least a prima donna soprano of the Belgian part of the money they contribute and will ask them next week how many have done so. .

Edward Sawyer, son of Mr. and Mrs Edward E. Sawyer, has entered Cushing academy in Ashburnham. He He went on Monday, being taken up by Edward Hopkins in his auto.

Norman D. Fletcher left Thursday for St. Lawrence university, Canton, N. Y., where he will take a college course. He has been studying all summer to complet his preparatory course. He takes to trip by way of New York city and the Huden thus taking some advant in connection with the connection with the

Rev. H. Grant Person, Newton, minister of Eliot ch of the strongest churches in a will be the speaker Sunday night at the Federation House, West Main the street. Dr. Person is very popular as and a speaker for soldiers and sailors and has spoken in a number of camps. The townspeople who attend will hear a great address and at the same time be cooperating in the important work for the soldiers the Federation House is doing.

Miss Sarah Priest of Littleton is visiting Mrs. Lucy A. Pickard of Washington street this week.

The Ladies' Aid of the Baptist church will serve a baked bean supper on Wednesday evening, September 18 from six to 7.30 in the vestry of the

university. Phyllis Poor and Hazel Scruton are thinking a little later of entering a training school for nurses.

The Wild Rose troop of Girl Scouts Thursday afternoon with their captain, Mrs. Susan M. Barker. The Scouts are working on their second examination. They made plans for the year's work. Meetings have been somewhat informally all summer.

A son was born Sunday, September S, to Mr. and Mrs. Carl Moses of Providence, R. I. Mrs. Moses was Miss Pearl Carley of Ayer. The boy has been named Alan Winthrop. R. M. Graham is having her fail opening in millinery this week Thurs

day, Friday and Saturday in her new quarters in the Barry'building. The motion picture program at the Federation House is as follows: urday. September 14, at 2.30 and 7.30, News; Wallace Reid in "The firefly of France," and Arbuckle com-

edy. Monday evening at 7.30, Burton Holmes Trayelogue; J. Stuart Black-ton in "Wild youth," and Black Diamond comedy. Wednesday evening at 7.30, Corinne Griffith in "The wild strain": Big V comedy and Bray Pic-

Mr. C. N. Pollard, pianist, is teaching Thursday in Ayer. Applications for tuition in surrounding towns can made in care of the Public Spirit

## Registration Day.

tered, or who are in the service, took place on Thursday between seven in evening. Lyman K. Clark, the chief registrar for Ayer, had several assistants to help in enrolling the large number of registrants, the work being done in the town hall. The total number of registrants are the several assistants and signalling and Margaret Murray and Ruth Stone have passed in cooking and several assistants are cooking and several assistants. number of registrants was 456, which was many more than expected. This large total places Ayer in the second place in the district in regard to the number enrolled, Maynard being in

A very unusual circumstance was in the afternoon. The scene attracted much attention.

Everything throughout the day passed off very smoothly in spite of the large registration. It was eleven o'clock before the final tabulation was nade and the returns made to the exemption board.

The following acted as assistant registrars: Harry E. Fisher, Eugene S. Barry, George L. Osgood, Theodore W. Barry, Louis H. Cushing, Percy A. Atherton, Harvard, John M. Maloney. Peter B. Murphy, Thomas F. Mullin, Loring Carman, Frank J. Maloney. N. A. Gans acted as inspector.

## District, Court.

The cases of jitney operators charged with the violation of the law governing the movement of automobiles continue to take up much time of the court and the police. The income from fines, however, which are imposed on this class of law-breakers, compensate in a good measure for the time and labor spent by the police and the court in bringing them to justice. Last Saturday morning a group of this class of violators of the law appeared in court, all of whom are attracted here by the business of transporting soldiers and visitors to and from th camp and to cities and towns in this vicinity. Practically all of the de-fendants were arrested for overspeedink or failure to sound their horns at Gilson's corner, on the Littleton road. where a trap was set by the police to catch this class of offenders. Chief

Andrew De Proprio, who was found guilty of not sounding his horn and was fined \$10; on a complaint for overspeeding he was found gurly and the case placed on file. George Freethe case placed on me. Growth the case placed on me. Growth a charge man was found not guilty on a charge man was found and discharged. Edof overspeeding and discharged.

ward B; Crompton paid a fine of \$10 for overspeeding. On the complaint against him for not sounding his horn he was found not guilty and discharged. ed. The same disposition was made in the case of Charles Maughis, charged with similar offenses. Louis Rahli was fined five dollars on a finding of guilty for not sounding his horn. On the complaint for excessive speed-On the compiaint for excessive speeding he was found not guilty. Adam Kotoski, charged with overspeeding, was found not guilty and discharged. Henry Petina paid \$5 for not sounding his horn. Henry Dimick was found guilty of driving at excessive speed and not guilty for not soundin his horn. On the former complaint he was fined \$10. A similar disposi-tion was made of similar complaints against Robert H. Keating. ealed the sentence imposed for overspeeding and furnished sureties for his appearance at the October session of the superior court. Theodore Katador paid \$5 for not sounding his horn. The complaint for overspeeding was complaint for overspecing was also after a finding of guilty. William Sexworth was found not guilty of overspeeding and discharged. Albert M. Leavitt was found guilty for not sounding his horn and fined \$10. Jerry Callf, a soldier, was found guilty of overspeeding and not guilty for not sounding his horn. He was turned over to the military authorities at the of guilty for driving at excessive speed be the contra and on a complaint for not sounding turer's hour. his horn he was found not guilty and discharged. George H. Foster was discharged. George H. Foster charged with excessive speed and not sounding his horn at the corner of and in two hours slipped one back on Pond and East Main streets; on the the rail. This slip off, slip on was and fined \$10, and on the latter charge on the right of way of the rail, caused he was found not guilty and discharg ed. James Violet was found guilty of

overspeeding and for not sounding his On the former complaint he ned \$10. The latter case was was fined \$10. filed after a finding of guilty. Louis Allman was fined \$5 for not sounding his horn, and on a complaint for overspeeding he was found not guilty. For not having a town license Georg and furnished bail of \$100 for the superior court in October. George Friedland was found guilty on a complaint for not sounding his horn and the case was filed. Complaints against the Waldorf Auto Service Company, Among the members of the last high school class who are going to to the failure to procure the name school further are Bertha Phelps, who goes to Lasell seminary, Lucile Hollis to Wheaton seminary, Elizabeth Bentow Walnut Hill Girls' school, Carol of the company was present and expendent to Walnut Hill Girls' school, Carol of the situation. Several other defendants failed to appear and were leclared defaulted.

The continued cases of Flora Bisho and Hattie Bent, of Worcester, for conduct, were called for trial. Both were found not guilty and discharged. They were represented by Atty. Lyman K. Clark.

L. J. Wells, a soldier, and Minnie Regan, of Utica, N. Y., were charged with misconduct. The former was given over to the custody of the camp guilty and discharged, upon condition that she return to her home and keep away from this section in the future

Charles D. Morris was before the court on Monday morning charged with assault and battery on Abraham guilty and paid a fine of ten dollars

On Wednesday morning John W Hart was before the court charged with violation of the automobile laws in Ayer; for failure to sound horn and for overspeeding. The first charge was placed on file, and Hart paid a fine of ten dollars on the second.

Franciszka Szarafinka and John Smarza, of Shirley, charged with a Reports are out that the potato crop statutory offence, were discharged on agreeing to return to Shirley and be

## Girl Scouts.

of the season at the Girls' clubhouse think we are hard hit with a limited at four o'clock, Thursday. Officers surar supply at ten cents per pound Registration for military service of men between the ages of 18 and 46, the following winter. The girls de-except those who had already regis-cided to finish the afghan started at camp. They are all eager to begin second class work and win the coveted he morning and nine o'clock in the gold stars for each new point. Several

Everybody is saving peach stones to make gas masks for the soldiers "over there." One hundred stones will make one mask. All the troops number enrolled. Maynard being in are going to save these stones and it first place. Almost every nation in the world were represented in the masks can be furnished by each troop. It is a fine way for scouts to do their

> The Girls' clubhouse is open to all the scouts and those who were in the habit of taking their lunches there last year are cordially welcomed to come this fall during recess and the lunch hours.

> It is hoped that the weather will be favorable this fall for numerous hikes, taken after school, and on Saturdays. This will not only give everybody a good time, but will be an excellent opportunity for passing fire-building tests. Girls who wish to become scouts are cordially invited to attend the Thursday meetings.

## WESTFORD'

Center. Upon entering the village from the various roads very neat and plain signs have been placed, instructing auto-drivers to keep mufflers closed. With this fair warning this ruling will be adhered to

Miss Elizabeth Kittredge: after summer of study and before entering her fall work, is having two weeks of acation at her home.

Miss Hazel B. Hartford is to have he next two weeks of vacation from the John Hancock Insurance office in

Mrs. L. W. Wheeler has been ap pointed curator of the historical and loan collection at the J. V. Fletcher library by the trustees. Anyone hav ing contributions to this collection or referring to it in anyway will please communicate with Mrs. Wheeler and not with the librarian whom the trustees have decided has enough to attend to without this added care.

Mrs. J. W. Bright went Friday for a visit with relatives in Wilton, Me. The annual agricultural fair, under the auspices of the Congregational church, which has been held every

autumn for nearly thirty years, will be held Friday evening. September 27. This event is meeting with the usual though subject to war time conditions. Mrs. Fall of Ipswich and Mrs. Ober

of Arlington Heights were guests this weck of Mrs. Bartlett at E. J. Whitney. Miss Pauline Dole has been a visitor at Mrs. Alma M. Richardson's this week.

The first meeting for the fall season of the Ladies' Aid society was an all-day session on Thursday at the home of the Misses Green on Lowell road. Work for the coming fair was was the good cheer and pleasant so-ciability. Basket lunch, with hot cof-fee and other good things were supplemented by the hostesses There were fourteen seated at the long dinner table."

Mrs. Donald M. Cameron entertained a very pleasant afternoon party on Thursday afternoon of this week. Deightful sociability, knitting, needlework' and dainty refreshments made up the afternoon's pleasure.

Mrs. George F. White has been to H., two days this week, called by the serious illness of her father.

Touches of frost on Westford hill on Wednesday and Thursday nights are reported and more serious frost in the lowlands.

#### About Town.

The next meeting of the Grange will be held on Thursday evening, Sepcamp, where his case was disposed of. be held on Thursday evening. Sep-Fred H. Wolff paid \$10 after a finding tember 19. The music committee will be the controlling influence in the lec-

The nine o'clock electric Monday from Brookside slipped one over on ormer complaint he was found guilty caused by the encroachment of grave by too much automobile pressure. W. R. Taylor had charge of the

draft registration at Brookside. Almon J. Downing on the Walker homestead had a narrow escape last Saturday from losing the connections between the fingers and his hand. They were badly gashed while sawing wood by a revolving circular saw.

Last year a severe frost caught the corn belt. This year a severe August drought has caught the corn belt and the government is revising its forecast of the number of chickens it expected to hatch now that the hatching has occurred. The revised figures makes a reduction of 317,000,000 bushels in the crop forecast, bringing the loss in prospective production since July of 487,000,000 bushels. A corn crop of 2,672,000,000 this year has been forecast from conditions September 1, which would be almost haif a billion bushels less than last year's corn cron and slightly smaller than the average for the last five years. To offset this loss spring wheat increased 21,000,000 bushels, bringing the crop up to 343,-000,000 bushels. This, with winter wheat of 556,000,000 bushels, makes a total of 889,000,000 bushels, or 250,000,000 more than last year; 90,000, 000 bushels more than the average for

the last five years. Boston parties have been in town with a view of purchasing the farm on Francis hill recently sold by John H. Keefe to C. E. Sweatt, of Melrose.

The first frost, with ice accompa niment of the authmn season lit for business Monday night and was ready for exhibition when the curtain arose on Tuesday morning. Pumpkin vines and bush beans had a limp to them; note beans climbed out of reach; corn enough to hit back and the frost had nothing on potatoes, which is the largest crop in the Stony Brook valley since some other time, but the present price of two dollars per bushel digging time seems to indicate a shortage somewhere along the line. in France, Switzerland, Germany and other far off places is in a serious

condition owing to a serious drougth. In some parts of Russia sugar is three dollars per pound and The Oak troop held its first meeting flour \$1.25 per pound, and yet we and a combination flour supply.

The contractor for the Graniteville road is surfacing the road with the finer gravel from the gravel pit of Frank C. Drew on the Lowell road. Daniel H. Sheehan has sold some o his portable engines-there are oth-

Now that the Middlesex-North Agricultural society is to hold its fair with the Groton farmers on September 27 and 28, will someone be authority enough to broadcast some premium list so that we may know how much

of a pumpkin to bring on our shoul-ders and about how many cents it would be worth for folks to admire. Mrs. F. A. Show gave a very delightful porch party to the younger matrons and their children on September 6 in West Chelmsford. This date was chose as it was Lafayette day, the 161st anniversary of this

hero's birth and Governor McCall had urged an observance. Incidentally i was the twelfth birthday of Perry T Snow. The specious porch lent it-self delightfully to such a gathering. de a group at one end The mothers in played on the lawn or gathered table at the kinds of games and the little folks, who toys to am were twellnumber. Of course hday cake with can-ne children, and ice dies to co wn-ups were treated

ker, whose husband ly, will move from died very her home ne to South Lancasavail of the college er three sons, aged hree.

and his sister. Mrs. "Charles Wa returned to their home in F where they went to Seth Walker, in his last illness

## **BOXBOROUGH**

News Items Wilbur Si who left for camp verv sudden.

ast week, is now at Daniel Wetterbee and Flint Fur-bush, who are in a training camp in Springfield, were home for a short fur lough last Saurday.

Charles Knight, who recently went to work in Gleasondale, is back in town, as he found the work too hard for him there.

The James Knight family has moved to Acton Center-

Saturday afternoon Mrs. Samue Wetherber isters started for Camp Devens from their home in Hastings. In passing through Littleton they were run into by an auto from Groton. Their auto was overturned and the occupants pinned beneath it. Some passing soldiers liberated them and strange to ray, none of them were seriously though badly shaken up. The auto was wrecked. They telephoned to Leon Wetherbee, who brought them to Wal-The party causing the damage promptly made restitution.

Mrs. Herbert Livermore is entertainthe order of the day, with good results, link her brother from California, who and not the least of the day's assets is making his final visit east for ten years.

> Mr. and Mrs. Alvin Richardson are making their annual trip to Stoddard, N. H., this week to bring home their large herd of cattle.

Deacon M. E. Wood is reported as being very sick at his home in West Acton

With regret the people here note the departure of the summer guests. On Saturday the Turner family: left Bide-a-Wee, the Kimbalis also went on the same day. The Wilsons follow-ed on Monday and the Linghams will go the coming week.

Mrs. Randall Livermore and . son Herbert have gone to New York, ;

Frank Dodge has taken a position in Boston and will move his family as soon as he finds a desirable location. Mrs. Charles Richardson returned he first of the week from a two weeks visit in Bridgeport, Conn., her forme

Quite a heavy frost visited the lower part of the town Tuesday night, doing considerable damage.

The tax rate this year is \$18.00 per \$1000. Miss Marion Burroughs has returned

o her school in Waltham The weekly meetings of the Red Everyone is welcome, whether a mem ber of the Red Cross or not. As the allotment has all been given out, the work will be patchwork for quilts, which will later be sold. All can lend a hand in this very practical work and your welcome will be heartier if you bring along a generous supply of pieces

Albert Walker is visiting friends in Swanzey, N. H.

Mr. Withington's two little grand-children, who have been here most of the summer, returned to Lincoln las

Frank Furbush is teaching manual raining at a school in Manchester, N. H.

Milton Hager has enlisted with the engineers and his two children who have been with Miss Mary Hager ing the summer are now with their grandmother.

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(Prepared by the United States Depart ment of Agriculture.)

The farmer who raises the ordinary grains and keeps some live stock has perhaps the greatest opportunity that ever come to him for making profit from poultry. The possibilities for profit are perhaps not so large as they used to be for the special poultry farmer, and that fact may have led some general farmers to believe that the situation applies in some way to them; but there exists just here an unusual paradox. The very conditions that may make poultry and egg production a losing enterprise on the spe cialized poultry farm tend to make it an increasingly gainful one for the general farmer. Where nearly all of his feed has to be bought at high prices, the margin between cost of production and proceeds from sale be comes extremely narrow, but where practically all of the poultry feed is made up of waste materials that would otherwise not be utilized in any manmer, the percentage of profit becomes much larger when prices are than it ever could have been when prices were low. Poultry on the farm obtain a very great part of their feed by foraging, by gleaning the waste from stable yards and feeding lots, by consuming the scraps from the kitchen door, by preying upon insect pests in pasture and field, and in only a relatively small degree from grain or other commodities that would be marketable. A farmer whose poultry is fed in this way may count all of the money received for eggs land surplus poultry as practically clear profit. When, therefore, eggs and poultry are selling at higher prices than have usually been obtainable, the fermer's margin of profit without expenditure is very greatly increased.

It is, therefore, to the farmers of the country that the nation must look for the greater part of the immediate increase of poultry products which will make it possible to supply our own army and navy with red meats and at the same time furnish the allies with the animal foods they need.

DISINFECTION OF HENHOUSE Structure Should Be Thoroughly

Cleaned Out and Sprayed at Least Once Every Year.

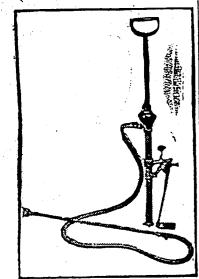
(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) Once a year the poultry house should be thoroughly cleaned out and sprayed with one of the coal tar disinfectants or given a good coat of whitewash containing 5 per cent of crude carbolic acid or creosol. Unless the exterior is painted, a coat of whitewash will help preserve the lumber and give

in neater appearance to the building

Spring is one of the best seasons to

clean up and whitewash the poultry

A well-made whitewash is the



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cheapest of all paints, and if properly made serves equally well either for exterior or interior surfaces.

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Guineas Gaining Favor. Quinea fewls are growing in favor as a substitute for game birds, with the result that guinea raising is becoming more profitable.

Purebred Fowls Best If you are raising scrub chickens, you certainly are not making near the amount that you could if you had purebred fowls.

Cockpits in Scaplanes. Stories of honors for heroes of the air show us that there are cockpits in seaplanes, and so the word has acquired a new meaning. Shakespeare, sneering at his own Globe theater. 'Can this cockpit hold the vasty fields of France?" Later, the word grew to mean a place where nations fight, so that poor Belgium has long been the cockpit of Europe, while on board ship it was a place on the lower about it, the average man's stomach deck peculiar to the surgeon and the will exercise a great deal more influpurser. On the scaplane it is peculiar to the pilot or observer.

HERE'S ANOTHER FROG STORY

New Yorker's Experience Seems to Corroborate Tale Told by the Kalser's Press Agent.

This is the time of the year when

fish stories are permissible, so the kalser's press agent cannot be blamed for pulling that one about the frogs croaking in such deafening fashion that they enabled the Germans to bring up their batteries without being discovered by the allies. Hank Newman, who invented the famous "snapper" elixir, partly bears out the statement made by the Hun war correspondent. He knows all the habits of the Johnny Crapauds and he declares that they can make some noise when they begin to croak. "I don't know anything about those bloodthirsty frogs of the Chemin des Dames, however," explained Mr. Newman, "But down in Ozone Park, where I live, there is a frog pond, and hundreds of them live a quiet, peace ful life. In fact, the frogs down my way are musical, for they lull the native to sleep. There is one big fellow, however, who has a high pitched voice, I named him Caruso because he warhies louder than any in the flock. For some time Caruso and me were quite chummy. As soon as he heard my alarm clock go off at five in the morning, he would come to my window and sing a roundelay, which indicated that he was hungry. That was when I had daylight work. Now I'm on nights and don't get to bed until three in the morning. And for the past three weeks Caruso and his entire chorus made leep impossible for me, so I found it necessary to move far from the frog pond."-New York Sun.

JUST SIMPLE COMMON SENSE

Really Nothing to Be Alarmed About When Speaker Uses Pretentious Word "Psychology."

One way to get an audience nowa days is to call the subject of one's talk "Psychology." A Harvard prorecently amazed a convention of clothing manufacturers and dealers by delivering an address upon this topic, in which he laid down several principles about the effect of clothing upon the wearer, and the surprise of his hearers was due to the discovery that what the learned man had dignified by a long word was nothing more than what more commonly passes for common sense. A good many of the things he said were already known to them, if they had stopped to think. When he placed them under the head of psychology they sat up and took notice, says the Oregonian.

He said, for example, that the well-dressed man is 10 per cent more efficient than the poorly dressed man. He said that clothes that do not fit pre vent the wearer from doing his best. Cleanliness promotes self-respect. Selfrespect is contagious, like confidence. The man who does not think well of himself is unlikely to win the good ppinion of others. Comfortable clothing, made of good material, well brushed, was the foundation of the superstructure, he said. He was talking to nard headed business men, and they believed him, because their own expe rience showed his statements to be true.

Hapless Claribel's Encounter. The sun was slowly sinking in the usual place. Claribel Skippenhop, over whose youthful head scarce thirty-sev en summers had lightly flown, sat in a regulation-size hammock, idly swinging her foot to the tune of "Keep the Home Liars Squirming," played on a

Hottentot bagplpe 42 miles away. Suddenly a thought seized her. She tried to scream and break its hold. She succeeded in both. Probably one and fifteen eight-millionths of a cubic second was allowed to elapse between her scream and the time the thought her scream and the circles was cowering at her feet.
"Don't you

doggone it. I'll have a headache."

Then she went back to swing her oot and the hammock.

First-Hand Earthquake News. volcologist of the Carnegie Geophysical laboratory reports that he has nearly perfected apparatus for re-cording upon wax cylinders the subtersounds of earthquakes, says the Scientific American. "The ordinary commercial cylinders are unsuitable for this delicate work, and accordingly the laboratory has secured a supply of cylinders of the old, pure wax type. The microphone used in this connection has also been greatly improved and a perfect little portable field outfit weighing less than a pound has been

Naughty Mamma's My husband who is man, wrote her the boys tilarat of the whole conwho was while he was over : they fixed up the hea! sticks and tied a string to the seather writed until he got sound usleep and the strings our came the sticks and down were the sarty exploded he was so mail 4004 11 and we hashand said had you been its

evolved."

All in Some Day.

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z clear home.-Chicago Trob-

One day at a Southern camp one of the tegro soldiers was showing me a ᇽ service pln with three stars which he always carried in his pocket. I asked him who the relatives were and he replled: "One is fo' maself an' the other two is fo' ma brudders; one is going to enlist an' the other is in the next draft."-Exchange.

Buster's Measurement Frances was measuring her little cousin with a yard stick which she accidentally held with the small numbers at the top. After a few moments' study she calmly announced: "Buster is 31/2 inches not to the end."

Stomach Versus Soul. If you want to know the plain truth ence upon his check-signing hand than his soul will.—Houston Post.

# **NEW STYLES OUT** OF OLD FABRICS

American Designers Exploiting Fresh Fashions by Use of Discarded Materials.

NO OUTSIDE HELP NECESSARY

Country No Longer Must Ask What Is the Fashion, but Is Enabled to Produce Sufficient to Supply the Demand.

New York .- Paris is never handicapped in creating fashions by the actions of other designers. That is why she is powerful. America has always suffered under this handicap because she has followed Paris, asserts prominent fashion authority. She has never been inclined to risk the exploitation of fabrics, fashions and colorings that were not sponsored by the mother of fashions.

It is said of us that we acknowledge the best in every nation and bring it to our shores. We know the best in avery department of art, science and literature. If we are compelled to put our knowledge to practical use, we at least have the best to go on. We are not ignorant.

The time has come for this experiment, as we all know, and the observer thinks that a few medals of honor should be distributed to those who "over the top" in designing clothes in this country. It took great commercial courage and it required a sound knowledge of the American public. What France Did America Does.

Here are two anecdotes which acceptuate the point. They happened a

dozen years apart. Mme. Paquin saw several holts of checked silk in a manufacturer's hands. Neither the weave the coloring nor the design was in fashion, to quote her own phrase. The manufacturer complained that he had no call for this quantity of material and that he would sell it for about a franc and a half a yard. Mme. Paquin took it all, went to her salons on the Rue de la Paix, turned the cheap check silk into an alluring frock of her own design, and then were it at Trouville-by-the-Sea. She made the frock, the design, the color and the fabric fashionable. Everyone wanted to wear what she wore. She sold every inch of the material at a price that brought her unmeasured profit on the transaction.

Last month an American designer was looking over the stock of a lace



Here's a blue serge coat split up the back to make commonplace blue serge less insignificant. There is a long cuirass of colored embroidery or blue tricot, and the coat is strend to a deep V back and front to a splay the vivid undergarment.

"Nothing new," said the Here I am held up with Spanish lace scarfs which a venture, thinking I could one took them. The one that they are not in

oner said that if the imand give him one he would and a gown that would sell ankles, copyright scarfs, on condition that d a commission on their sale.

Excuses of Little Value. The world does not want men who offer excuses in place of accomplish-Often it is compelled to accept Often it experiences genuine of for the man who, instead of dan. excuse for failure. But when the for advancement comes, the man pushed forward is he who has the work, who has not offered tick stories in place of successthe effort. In him confidence can be

The bargain was was designed. It The gown hat the other 49 scarfs melted aw v the fakes of soap in hot water. . an the act was

offered as a first fash o That is a good example of the change that has come over the American merchant and the American designer. We no longer have to ask what is the fashion, but are probably enabled to make the fashion for our own continent. Management of Black Taffeta.

It is easy to realize that taffeta has come into a first summer fashion, although the popular mind does not regard it as one of the lovely weaves



One of the new black taffeta gowns that is far from commonplace. The skirt is a series of small ruffles edged with white silk cord and cui in peg-top fashion. The slim bodice is mounted on a yoke of taffeta braided with white cord, and the short sleeves are cut in one with the yoke. There is a pink rose with green leaves at the waist, and there are green shoes and stockings.

f the world, because it is plentiful. There is no trouble about getting all the taffeta one wants, and it is best ally slipped my mind." that we model our wardrobes for the near future on the materials that can quantity to correspond to our needs. restaurant for dinner wearing a cer-tain black taffeta gown, you would have been convinced in the twinkling of an eye that the fabric matters nothing if the designer has cleverness.

The skirt was made of narrow ruffles that extended from walst to ankles, each ruffle edged with a white silk cord. The hem was excessively narrow. The foundation for these ruffles fitted the figure like a sheath. There was a bodice, straight and simple, and the major part of it was a yoke with short sleeves which was braided with white cord in a fantastic design. At the side of the waist was a deep pink satin rose with green velvet leaves. The slippers and stockings were green. There was nothing demure about this black taffeta gown.

Treat Blue Serge in Various Ways. Blue serge is a fabric that will always be with us, as far as the manufacturers and the war board can look

It is usually midnight blue, and, given a few yards of it in this color, the designers do not want to sit down and turn it out into insignificant frocks and inconspicuous suits. A woman who came to a "defense"

luncheon one day wore a blue serge gown that was the product of a clever designer and it surely turned our ideas about suits tonsy-turvy.

The coat was split up the back as well as the front. It was worn over a long cuirass blouse, the kind that gains in importance every day. The blouse was made of a richly embroid ered tricot in blue, black and dashes of dull red. It did not cling tightly to the figure, but outlined it more than usual. Over it hung the loose blue serge coat, opening in a deep V in the middle of the front and the black. I was closed at the neckline and had a collar of the serge. There was a loose belt of the material, and the skir was exceedingly narrow and short.

who orders a new suit today to see that the skirt has a sizeable hem, for the new order to the shoemakers given by the government, which de mands low shoes for the duration of the war, may change the skirt length. I doubt it. The length may be changed, but it will not be because of the low shoes, for calters, which are made of fabric, may be as high as desired, and women, prefer them to

By the way, it is wise for any wom

high boots. We may also adopt the French fash ion of wearing serviceable Oxford ties with straight hools and rounded toes hem in the trade in Amer- The bootmakers say they have more orders for these today than ever. With such shoes the average woman doe not care whether her skirt is eight or ten inches from the ground, unless she is given to suffering from exposes

(Copyright, 1818, by the McClure Newspa Reserve Stock of Patience.

The patience man expends in bear ing his little trials of his daily life nature stores for him as a wondrous reserve in a crisis of life.-W. G. Jor-

Origin of Cotton Boll. The pink boll worm, the worst enemy nown to the cotton crop of India, probably originated there. Later it was found in Burma, Ceylon, Egypt and in almost every other cotton district on the globe.

PROFITABLE ERROR

By GEORGIA SMITH

It all began by my following an impulse to ride on the merry-go-round at Old Orchard last summer. I felt extremely foolish after seating myself on one of the prancing ponies and glanced around at the people standing near, hoping I should see no one I knew. Carefully I inspected the crowd and recognized none of them, so proceeded to enjoy my ride.

Soon a young man walked around the corner of the ticket stand and stopped in front of the now moving horses. It was Tom Campbell, the very same tall, good-looking Tom I had chummed around with in Lawrence a year or so before. Through a slight misunderstanding, before my return to Maine, I had lost track of him, which fully explained my surprise on seeing him at this summer resort. In spite of our disagreement I still held a friendly feeling toward him and thrilled with pleasure at seeing him once again.

"As soon as this merry-go-round stops I will go and speak to him," I reassured myself. Thus thinking, I kept my eyes on him at every turn, waiting for him to glance in my direction. He soon spled me in my ridiculous position, and I smiled toward him. Again he looked at me, then turning walked to the end of the This was too much for my reason

ing ability and utterly unlike Tom. Therefore I felt inclined to think he still remembered our difference of the previous year. Otherwise how could he have falled to recognize me.

The fault having been mine, I hastened after him as soon as the merrygo-round slowed down, intent upon be coming friends again. He was soon found leaning idly against the pier railing, watching the waves on the beach below.

"Won't you speak to an old friend, Tom?" I began.
"Yes—er—indeed; of course I am

glad to speak to you, Miss-er This last was followed by a significant pause. At his first words I had looked at his face again. Looking at him at close range showed me not Tom Campbell but a darker looking young man, greatly resembling Tom was frightened at my mistake and could not speak.

"Really you must pardon my forgetfulness, but your name has actu-

His voice stirred me and I hastened to apologize, explaining how I had be bought in this country in sufficient mistaken him for Mr. Campbell, a friend of mine. Very politely he told can be done with this mate me his name, that his home was far rial that will result in a gown out of from Lawrence—in fact, he lived in the ordinary and conspicuous for Canada, and while he was sorry he charm and cleverness. If you could wasn't the original Mr. Campbell, he have seen a woman who came into a had no grievance against being mis-

Perhaps it was his frank, good-natured smile that won me. At any rate, I soon found myself laughing over my mistake, and he appeared so little like a stranger that I told him my name and where I was staying. With that I dared not prolong the scene further, for fear he would mistake my intent.

Joining my friends again. I returned to the cottage, my thoughts far from their ever-cheering chatter. Several times during the following veek we passed on the beach. first he merely tipped his hat, while

I acknowledged his greeting with a smile, and as I thought, very proper "How do you do?" The situation amused me, and when he stopped me on one of my morning walks to ask permission to accompany me, I put formality aside and gave him permission. A few such meetings left me firmly convinced that if there wasn't such a thing as love at first sight there surely was at second or third

Fate befriended us and we were formally introduced at one of the cottages where I visited now and then. Then followed a series of walks, excursions, boating trips and dances. ending in my return to town at the end of the season the proud possessor of a bright new diamond ring and his return to Canada to prepare for an early wedding.

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He Had Proof. Bobby is three years old. He has a new pair of white shoes, and on first donning them last Sunday insisted on being taken to his aunt's house to exhibit the spotless footgear.

Auntie lives several squares from Bobby's home, and before half the disance was covered Bobby gave evidence of waning enthusiasm. Finally he asked to be taken home. ful tired," he declared. "Oh, no," father answered, "you're not tired al-

"Yes I is." Bobby answered, begin ning to snivel. "I is too tired. You feel my feet daddy, and see if I isn't.'

Fish Flour In Norway. The royal Norwegian provisions de partment has officially announced that recent experiments at Bergen to produce bread containing 20 per cent of fish having proved successful, a trial in the same direction will now by made in Christiania.

It is the intention of the provisions department to co-operate with the state for the purchase of the necessary machinery for the preparation of the fish, which will be mixed with brend grain in order to make the ra-tions larger. The bread prepared in on a pair of old loose kid gloves and this manner is said to be good and palatable.

Uncle Eben. "An optimist," said Uncle Eben, "Is all right 'ceptin' when he gits so comfortable in his mind dat he goes to

sleep on de job."

Muscular Activity and Heat. Owls and other birds which are active at night show a rise of temperature during the hours of darkness and a fall during the day. This is a result of the well-known fact that muscular activity means an increased production of

**BLACK FOR SUMMER** 

Mourning Color for Street Wear and Social Functions.

Upkeep of Country's Optimism Could Best Be Maintained by the Wearing of Gayer Colors.

Another departure from the fashion as laid down by Paris this year is the wearing of black. This is not for mourning, but for street, luncheons, dinners and the theater.

It is really not a good fashion, and those who cry for the morale of a nation, which merely means the upkeep of its optimism in the highest form would prefer to see this a season of gayer colors, states a fushion corre spondent. There will probably be enough mourning in the land, and our millions of soldiers do not wish to see all the women garbed in black. It does not make them look upon life with more joy.

However, we have started on career of black for this summer sea son, and only the individualists depart from it. It is a condition for gratitude that we have end gh rebellious souls to insist upon b ; pink, green and yellow as a cor ast to the moving proc' jersey. sa:

bout this fashion for we are truly grate-ne manner in which it There is nothing gloom; g in the way it is han-the color itself strikes a died. somber te. But color is always the note of Actory, the sounding of the cym bals of a deed well done, and as the psychology of the masses is the most mportant thing of the hour, we should ecome students of this peculiar sci

ence of the mind and exploit it to the

reatest extent. It might be wise for us to follow in detail the psychology of the generalssimo of the allied armies, General Foch. One who knows him well, says that General Foch thinks that to be gloomy is to admit that matter has conquered spirit. Hopefulness is first in his creed of victory. He believes that depression is a confession of intellectual weakness and will lose more battles of every kind than any other single cause. Mind power, thinks General Foch, can snatch victory out of the arms of defeat as well as the coming of unexpected re-enforcements. He said during a battle that no man need ever be tired at a crisis if he manages his mind right. One of his great maxims is "Resist the irresistible." and another favorite maxim during his long life in the thick of things was "Vic-

tory is a thing of the will." There is no getting beyond the sen tence that "victory is a thing of the will." It is this psychology that we should work upon, and the constant wearing of black does not help towards a more brilliant expression the will and the spirit. Therefore, if we must wear black gowns, even though we are not in mourning, let us have them as gay as possible.

Brilliant jet contributes to the vividness of a black gown, and it has been reinstated by the designers in a fascinating fashion. Entire frocks are made of it for dinners and dances.

**FASHION HINTS.** 

The average width of a wash skirt

is two yards. Velvet and organdle make a fash ionable combination. The sleeveless coat fashion is gain-

ing in pobularity. Foulard in large polka-dot design is very fashionable.

A new style of cape for sport wear is of neutral linen. Chenille dotted veilli

a new lease of life. Sieeveless guimpes are made to wear with bolero jackets. Black satin and gray crepe de chine

make a pretty frock. A new rough swiss straw appears among the latest hats. Tailored blue serge is a standard style for little children's coats.

JAPANESE PANAMA SPORT HAT



Wool embroidery is the only trim ning on this hat, which is finding much favor with the womenfolk.

Care for Your Hands. After washing dishes or dusting or doing any household work, always wash the hands thoroughly with soft water and a good toilet soap, not a kitchen or laundry soap, and when let them stay on for five or ten minutes while you put away the dishes or tidy up the living room.

Daily Thought .-Conversation is the vent of character as well as of thought.-Emerson

Better to Go Slow.

If you try to live two days at once, you divide up the strength with which you should be getting the very best out of the present. Every regretful linger ing over past mistakes, every fore-boding thought of what the future holds, diminishes your present effi-ciency by just so much.

# Get Your Digestion in Shape

Many ailments are caused by stomach weakness. Faulty digestion leads to biliousness, sick headache, dizziness, sallow skin and eruptions. Maintain a healthy condition of the stomach and you will get rid of the chief cause of your sufferings. Do not neglect the laws of health. Keep stomach, liver and bowels in order by timely use of

Pepperell, Aug. 30, 1918. the Middlesex County Commis

sioners: Respectfully represent the undersigned inhabitants of the town of Pep-perell in said County, that the River Road or River Street in said town, which runs from its junction with Elm Street northerly to Main Street, is in need of relocation and specific

wherefore, we pray you will relo-cate said road and direct specific re-pairs thereon, particularly from the end of said road as improved by the State, County and town in 1917, north-

Charles H. Miller, Alta A. Shattuck, Addison Woodward, Warren M. Blood, L. O. Shattuck.

Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

Middlesex, ss. At a meeting of the County Comnissioners for the County of Middlesex, at Lowell, in said County, on the first Tuesday of September, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine nundred and eighteen, to wit, by adournment at Cambridge in said Coun-y on the fourth day of September

.D. 1918. On the foregoing petition, Ordered, that the Sheriff of said County, or his Deputy give notice to all persons and corporations interested therein, that mid Commissioners will meet for the purpose of viewing the premises and hearing the parties at the Selectmen's Room in the Town Hall in Pepperell in said County, on Monday, the fourteenth day of October, A.D. 1918, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, by serving the Clerk of the town of Pepperell, with a copy of said petition and of this order thereon, thirty days at least be said view, and by publishing the same in the Pepperell Clarion, a news-paper printed at said Pepperell, three weeks successively, the last publica-tion to be fourteen days at least before said view, and also by posting the same in two public places in the said town of Pepperell, fourteen days before said view; and that he make return of his doings herein, to said Commissioners, at the time and place fixed for said view and hearing.

JOHN R. MacKINNON. Asst. Clerk. Copy of petition and order thereon.

Attest, JOHN R. MacKINNON,

Asst. Clerk. A true copy of the petition and order thereon ALBERT A. FILLEBROWN,

Deputy Sheriff.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Worcester, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs at law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of ABBY B. TOOKER late of Harvard in said County, deceased, intestate.
Whereas, a petition has been presented to said court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to MILDRED E. KEYES of Harvard in said County of Worcester, without giving a surety on her bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Worcester, in said County of Worcester, on the twenty-fourth day of September A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Harvard Hillside, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.
Witness, William T. Forbes, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-ninth day of August in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and eighten.

HARRY H. ATWOOD, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of KATHERINE McNAMARA, otherwise known as CATHERINE McNAMARA and KATIE McNAMARA late of Littleton in sald County, deceased.
Whereas acertain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by MICHAEL MCNAMARA 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 Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the eighth day of October A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week. for three successive weeks in the Littleton Guidon, a newbonder published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing poetpald, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, thirty days at least before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this fourth day of September in the year one thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

TIRES & TUBES VULCANIZED

TIRES & TUBES VULCANIZED LAWN MOWERS SHARPENED

Eliot M. Young

Littleton, Mass. 43

Advertisements inserted in our tes

papers bring good results.

John G. Fairfield, assistant

department of mechanical engine of Rensselaer Polytechnic Insti-

Troy, was home this week to: . days' vacation between the

of the fall term. The account

eady for necessary were work

Rev. O. J. Fairfield attended a mar

sters' meeting, Monday, in Peterno-

N. H., going by auto, and taking as

A large and important looking

Secretaire de la ville de lattier Massachusetts," was received by town clerk last week in reply to

resolutions adopted at the

lish reading as follows: The press of the French republic, deeply to

ed by the felicitations and good wishe

The letter bears the signature

last week. On Monday the cottage

White Mountains and Vermont last

week. Uuon their return Arthur W. Drew went immediately to Bucksport,

Me., and spent a week with his broth-

on has been reported severely woundd on July 23, but as his father, Rev.

been made in reports. Whitney Caulkins was gassed in May and in-

ured in July, according to his letters

juries. The family believe that the

wounds received that month and the

gassing in May, or if severely wound-

ed that the date must be August 23

The honor tablet given by George

M. Lovejoy and containing the names of Littleton boys in service was ded-

derson read a letter, the male quartet

he townspeople present. Regrets

for him to accept the invitation.

of students' Sunday.

At the marning service of the Con

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N. Murray for the don

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instead of July 23.

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which you addressed to him on the

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Unitarian ministers.

News Items.

LITTLETON



## SHIRLEY GASH MARKET

ALWAYS ON HAND WITH FRESH SUPPLY OF

PORK

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SMOKED, PICKLED and CANNED

MEATS . At Your Door in Aver Every Tu and Saturday Every Day in Shirley FRESH FISH FRIDAYS VEGETABLES IN THEIR SEASON CHARLES A. McCARTHY, Prop.

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in Ice Cream made by the Boston Ice Cream Co., will be hard to find, and that is why we are selling their goods this season. If you have not tried this ice cream come and see how good it is. We also have a large variety nice, fresh groceries always or hand. We are agents for the National Biscuit Company's products, who need no introduction for their fine variety and quality of goods.

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# Fighting Fourth Liberty Loan Facts and Figures

**BUYING BONDS** IS NOW A HABIT

To buy a Liberty Bond has become a habit with the people of the United from to carry on this stupendous States, a growing habit, and no one is war?" The question is a common one

billion dollars in 3½% bonds were offered and brought four and one half
million subscribers. The subscripmillion subscribers. The subscriptions amounted in all to more than
three billion dollars, of which only
two billion were allotted. The outstanding feature of this first loan was
the prompthess with which it was arthe prompthess with which it was arranged and conducted. Taking only some form which has been destroyed ranged and conducted. Taking only two weeks to be formed and selling to four and one half million people were habit ual purchasers of bonds, presents all recording their value, and that money, in the same plants and that money, in the same plants and that money, in the same plants are two same plants and that money, in the same plants are the same plants.

ers and the amount subscribed was struggle. Money remains; goods are \$4,617,532,000. Only \$3,808,766,150 destroyed. The war is really being was allotted. The outstanding feature carried on by credit. of this campaign was the important A United States Treasury report on part which labor, fraternal organizations and the women of the country culation—\$700,000,000 more than a

nad in it:

The Third Liberty Loan campaign
was inaugurated on April 6, 1918, the
anniversary of the entrance of this
country into the war. Three billion
dollars were offered. About seventeen
million people subscribed \$4,170,109,
650, all of which was allotted. This
country was made notable by its campaign was made notable by its wide distribution among the people borrow and to obtain enormous sums and the large response made to it by of purchasing power over goods need the rural districts.

riod of but three weeks. Within that the finances of the United States are time it will be necessary to sell a very sound, the mobilization of its remuch larger volume of bonds than was sources skilled and the confidence of sold in any of the three preceding its people in them absolute, is more campaigns. The amount of bonds to than proved by the rapidity and eagernounced but because of smaller demands being made upon us to finance. That the Fighting Fourth, about to the provided the provided and the confidence of the united States are under the under th

Fourth Loan as one of the greatest pieces of governmental financing that the world has ever known. If only five billion dollars of the Fourth Liberty Loan are offered for sale and are disposed of within three weeks, it will be the largest offering ever made by any government and subscribed to in so short a time.

The new loan is "The Fighting Fourth" a title that has been adouted.

Fourth", a title that has been adopted the for it by the Publicity Committee of States, the stay at homes, in subscribing to the Fighting Fourth Liberty Loan are simply keeping step to the same tune which is animating our soldiers and sailors and airmen.

THE SIX ISSUES OF LIBERTY

Three Liberty Loans and six issues of Liberty bonds, so easily understood hy the financier, need a little explana tion to those patriotic citizens who are just beginning to place their savings in Government bonds. The Government has sold three issues of bonds, the First Liberty Loan 31/2% bonds, the Second Liberty 4% bonds, and the Third Liberty loan 44% bonds. The first and second issues were made convertible into those that followed (on terms stated within). When the First 314s and Second 4s are converted into higher interest rate bonds the bonds received bear the appellation "First"

erty Bonds if it is wise to convert their first and second issues into higher interest rate bonds. To them it should be said that the First 31/2s are completely tax exempt and conse-quently there is a demand for them by presons subject to high rates of additional taxes. This demand has caused them to sell higher in the market than the other issues. They therefore should not be converted, but persons with ordinary incomes will probably find it advantageous to sell them and purchase 41/2s. It would seem generally advantageous to exchange the 4s for 41/2s. This can be done only before Nov. 9, 1918. Most banks will attend to exchanges, sales and pur-chases.

HELP THE GOVERNMENT

Purchasers of Liberty Bonds who wish to help the Government to the fullest extent should keep the bonds which they have purchased, and when they buy additunal bonds do so from wish to help the Government to the fullest extent should keep the bonds which they have purchased, and when they buy additional bonds do so from the Government during loan offerings rather than in the open market, as the money paid for bonds purchased in the market does not go to the Government but simply to previous holders. On the other hand, those who must realize upon their investment can always do so at the market price.

OUTFIT OF A SAILOR

To supply a sailor with a single one of each of the several articles of clothing he is obliged, to have costs \$68.70. This brings his entire outfit to not far from the price of one \$100 Liberty Bond.

Liberty BOND OR—

Mr at Very Near Washing a was urgent, stress was great your help was not forthcoming?

When, in Hellis fray, he stubbornly fought to hold the Hun. Wounded, suffering, almost spent, breathing a prayer—

"God kive me strength to keep this dread heast from Home, From all I love, from my fair land, America."

In older days, a battle raged, and so the Leader's hands.

So surged the tide of victory.

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By Helen M. Cummings, Attleboro, Mars.

When need was urgent, stress was great your help was not forthcoming?

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"God kive me strength to keep this diver land.

America."

In older days, a battle raged, and so the Leader's hands.

Some day is your boy going to ask you here so was great.

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In the fair fair

Recipe for Success. It is well for us to remember that nothing succeeds like success, and even if in the beginning we just "make believe" it really grows to be true

Facts About Barcelona. The province of Barcelona has an area of 2,966 square miles and 1,136, 068 inhabitants. The city of Barce-

WHERE THE MONEY

COMES FROM "Where does all the money come

complaining. This is proven by the but the facts are assuring. There is figures.

On May 2, 1917, the First Liberty today than there was before the war; today than there is much make the came and certainly the came a Loan was announced and the came and certainly there is much more papaign began one month later. Two per money.

billion dollars in 33/% bonds were of According to a statement from

ual purchasers of bonds, presents at most a miracle in finance.

To the Second Liberty Loan, offered for sale Oct. 1, 1917 and closed Oct. 27, there were nine million subscribing the real economic expense of this terrible

year ago and \$175,000,000 more than

The newest loan, the Fighting on the wealth of the country, but also rourth, is to be placed on sale Sept.

28. The sale will close Oct. 19, a period of but three weeks. Within that the finances of the United States are our Allies not more than five billions be launched, will meet with an equa However, it is certain that the one who knows the spirit of the Amer-amount offered for sale will mark the ican people.

WHAT THE LIBERTY BOND DOES

Having bought Liberty Bonds most purchasers would like to know in what particular way the money they have so gladly given is to be expended in the conduct of the great war that has en-guifed the world. In response to this silent appeal the War Department of the United States Government has computed the cost of various things and just what bonds of different dethe New England District. Our army and just what bonds of different de-in France has begun to take its stride nominations will do. Five hundred and additions to the army from now an will show in a growing degree the fighting spirit manifested up to the present time. The people of the United provide one soldier in the American Expeditionary Forces with food for practically four months or exactly 116

days and a tiny fraction over. One \$1000 bond will provide one 16-inch shell, ready to fire; or smokeless powder enough to propel three 16-inch coast shells and T. N. T. enough to burst 50 three-inch Stokes Mortar shells. Six \$100-bonds will provide 10 airplane flares or 50 three-inch shells. One \$500-bond will provide two ma-chine guns or 300 steel helmets. Two \$100 and one \$50-bond will purchase meat cans for two soldier companies or bacon cans for four soldier conies, or 300 intrenching shovels. compa

## WHY BONDS FLUCTUATE

Fluctuation in the current price of Liberty Bonds, so bothersome to the who is unaccustomed to bonds should not alarm them as it in no way affects the real value of the bonds. or "Second" of the bonds converted and are like other commodities, and are like them in respect to due date and redemption conditions. Otherwise they are like the issues into which they are converted, that is, as to interest rates, issue dates, and conversion and tax exemption privileges. Thus a First 4 means a 4% bond converted from a First 3½. In this way there are now six issues of Liberty bonds, three original and three converted, is a current modified by the converted issues.

Bonds are like other commodities, prices go up and down according to domand and supply. There are now more sellers than buyers because the five years in Germany; is thoroughly acquainted through travel and work of the war" in the Saturation of the work in the Saturatio The result is a current market below

This should not disturb bond-hold-CONVERSION OF LIBERTY BONDS ers or raise any question as to the real value of the bonds. They will be paid for by the Government at the full face erty Bonds if it is wise to convert amount when due, and in the meantime, interest will be paid promptly so that the bonds form an ideal invest-ment.

## MONEY IS MADE TO FIGHT

With a fine spirit of patriotism Dr. James O. Ely of Winnetka, Ill., father of Lieut. Dinsmore Ely who died from injuries received in action, gave the proceeds of his son's life insurance policy of \$5000 for the purchase of Lib-erty Bonds. This in a sense, doubles his son's help to the cause to which his life had been dedicated. Even in death his work goes on, fighting in the

Lieut, Ely had an aeronautic career replete with hairbreadth ccapes and was cited for extreme bravery in van-quishing a German plane in his first flight in Picardy.

LIBERTY BOND OR-

How Primitive Man Got Fire. Fire was known early in human history. Primitive man probably first learned to produce it by rubbing pieces of wood together.

This bit of cynical wisdom occupies the most obscure nook in the Syracuse Herald: "Don't think that every sadeyed woman has loved and lost. Per-haps she loved and got him."—Buffalo urday at five o'clock in the afternoon Maddies

Winchendon, were passengers in the lunch in the evening upon the constant. Mr. Chard sustained a fractured laws. The opportunity and of the kall and a concussion. He was taken of the proceedings during the world. burbank hospital, Eisebburg, and the Kingdom of God were tre per time of writing, his life is despaired themes before the conference the summer school and the bergin.m.

pass another auto on the way to Ayer

were bruised, but he seriously in-tured. The car, with was nearly

Another accident was reported Satmests for the trip four neighboring urday at two o'close. A Ford car driven by Mrs. Wethernee of Boxboro was forced out of the goad by a fitnes and smashed against the stone wall a little east of Thomas Mannion's on velope from the president of the French republic, addressed "Mensier Great road. Mrs. Wetherbee had one by the leg severely cut by the broken wind-to the shield glass. There were three other shield glass. There were three other persons in the car, but they escaped meeting held on Bastile day, in, with slight French "Fourth of July," a copy of crippled. with slight injury. The car was badly

which was sent to the president of France. The communication was written in French, translated to Eng. Roll of Service Dedicated.

In spite of the chill in the air and the drizzle of rain there was an at-tendance of more than 125 at the ibrary grounds on Sunday afternoon for the dedication of the attractive roll of service presented to the town day, thanks you with all his heart in by George M. Lovejoy, of Littleton and the name of the French people, firmly Hartford. Rev. O. J. Fairfield united with the people of America in chairman of the fibrary board ...l. Fairfield, 43 the defense of justice and of liberty. trusted with the care of the grounds accepted the board and spoke of how the president of France, J. Poincaire. fitting it was that such a meeting Richard G. Conant in France has should be held, and on a Sunday af-Richard G. Conant in France has showing the union of cath een commissioned second lieutenant. olics and protestants, evangelicals and Mrs. Ralph Conant of Newton visliberals, in the cause that makes us ited for a short time at "The Ledges" one in service and in citizenship, and our determination to do all in our the Ledges was closed and Mr. and power for justice and democracy, for Mrs. P. C. Edwards and Miss Gilman world freedom and liberty. It is a good omen of the week that is to see left for their winter home in New the registration of the entire military Franklin Hall is working in Lowell trength of the nation in the cause Curtis W. Drew and family and his that binds us together. ather, Arthur Drew, motored to the

Rey. H. L. Caulkins spoke of the names of the men in the service shown on the tablet, and of the ties that bind us together, here and over the seas. Rev. F. W, Lambertson further emphasized the thought of unity and consecration. Miss Fannie A. Sanderson read an appropriate letter from the president of the French republic, a translation of which is given son several letters since that date, it male quartet, Messrs. Dodds, Lambert very probable that some error has son, Gardner and Cook, sang as the the home fires burning" and "Nearer my God to thee." The meeting closed with the singing of "America" by all.

Although the board has been place but ten days, there are already three new names to be added to the roll of Littleton names, Albert W. Hartwell, John P. Tobin and George ed to the roll of Littleton boys encolled elsewhere, Warren and Chester Yapp and Walter Somes; and the name of Roland H. Fletcher should be transferred to the first list.

icated Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. All the Protestant ministers

of the town took part, making brief but impressive speeches. Miss San-The program for the lyceum for the coming season, the eighty-ninth con-secutive year, is designed to meet the unusual conditions of war times, when Lambertson, sang two selections and everyone needs relief from the strain and distractions of these busy, trying the audience joined in singing "Amerca," at the conclusion, making a very times, and it does so by presenting a appropriate and pleasing program. list of exceptional interest that should There was a good representation of command the loyalty of our citizen and at the same time maintain the expressed that the minister of St. Anne's mission could not be present est standards of the lyceum. program, as now made out, is as foland take part, but it was impossible

October 8. Concert by the Schubert male quarter of Boston, assisted in their program here by a reader. The Schubert quarter there make the schubert quarter regational church last Sunday Wilam Podds and Mrs. Brunson render-Schubert quartet has a prestige all its Schubert quartet has a prestige all its own, and this year, with the acquisition of Frank Ames as its first tenor, "a find of the first rank," and with George E. McGowar as basso, its reputation as a leader in the field for the past twelve years seems well assured.

Schubert quartet has a prestige all its Resources.

Resources

Loans and discounts including rediscounts in the ingrediscounts in ed two solos. Mr. Dodds admirably sustained his fine reputation and Mrs. Brunson gave much pleasure with her sweet contralto voice of good range and mellow tones. At the next Sunday morning service Rev. F. W. Lambertsen will take the lesson from "The October 22. "Armageddon," a lec-Merchant of Venice," in observance

f students' Sunday. three on the war, by William R. Baich,
The Boy Scrats leave town this war correspondent and author of the

of the Congregational church. Boxbord, will speak on the Armenians. It
will be a union meeting, the ladies of
the other churches being invited.

For repairs only money has been
raised by subscriptions from members
and friends and the Baptist parsonage
covered with a much needed coat of
shingles throughout.

Is there any hope for Nubbins? A
story sermon, cut not for children,
the service at the

instrumental and vocanized by Mr. Brooke of the Symphony
orchestra, and presenting a company
of real merit.

November 19. Thouges Wilfred, the
distinguished sunger of the twelvestring arch-lite. This oncert, or restring arch-lite. This oncert, or recital, is alone with the price asked
of the envire course. Thomas Wilstory sermon, cut not for children,
the service at the

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Edit When a and Gladys Jewett Limited by the same services and Gladys Jewett Limited by the have extreme

ptional motion (ash). Fitchburg Normal (but pit) eorge Eldredge have ' December ment prepara-Miss Ella Wright en the

J. Fairfield. hn Craig Kelley and 🐣 ve summered in the Pro-Shattuck street, res. E. llowing, for the Wrs. J. M. Hart-kanball, Mrs. F. C. ment for the fourth in the set at \$50,000. The substantially the

#### BOXBOROUGH ..... oth work under one Clouds

preacher, Rev. G. minister; subject. Sunday school at meeting and evening aclock. Topic, "The d how to overthrow barles H. Richardson. be observed as Grange officers and members and neighboring Granges

gates from a dozen of neighboring soand digging into the soft dirt beside cletics were present. The program the road, turned over. Charles Chard, consisted of a number of interests.

Miss Bassett and Miss Andrews, all of and inspiring addresses, and notes.

All other occurred of the car The sport fortunal functions was nearly library half at 7.30. comolished, is now at Yates' garage neighborhood meeting that Me sirian expects to lead in the few: a therefore the people from all a are very cordually invited to be pre-

Missionary society was held last Wednesday afternoon at the home of  $Mr \in \{\mathbf{s}_{\theta}\}$ New Advertisements.

LONY—A Green Mackinaw with dark stripes, somewhere between Camp Dev-ens and Harvard Center, on Monday, Nority WALLACT CUNNINGHAM, Box-borough, Mass. WANTED-A Man with a small famy to help the owner on a small farm, ottage, vegetabes, fruit and milk, the as; man was hired five years, ANFORD B. HUBBARD, "Rocknoil," ditteton, Mass. 212

TO LET—A comfortable, 7-room, furnished Cottage House; furnace heated, o next MRS, ANNA FLANDERS, Still River, Mass.

REPORT OF CONDITION of the Townsend National Bank, at Townsend in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business on August 31, 1918.

Resources dure circulation (par val-ue)
Liberty Loan Bonds, 3½, 4,
and 41, per cent, un-pledged
Securities other than U.S.
bonds (not including stocks) owned unpledged
Stocks, other than Federal
Reserve Bank stock.
Stock of Federal Reserve
Bank (50 per cent of sub-scription)
Value of banking house
Lawful reserve with Feder-al Reserve Bank. 100,000.00 101.947.48 11,350.38 15,500.00

Value of banking house
Lawful reserve with Federal Reserve Bank.
Cash in vault and net amounts due from national banks.
Checks on banks located outside of city or town of reporting bank and other cash items.
Redemption fund with U.S.
Treasurer and due from U.S. Treasurer 5,000.00 Total Linbilities

Circulating notes outstanding in the control of the control of the control of two preceding terms \$100.154.38 (Certificates of deposit (other than for money borrowed) 202,117.38

tate of Massachusetts, County of Mid-

C. B. Willard, Cashier of the, ve-named bank, do solemnly swear the above statement is true to the, of my knowledge and belief. C. B. WILLARD, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me his 16th day of September, 1918. s 16th day of September, 1918. T. James Harvey, Notary Public.

Correct -Attest: Henry A. Hill, Walter F. Rockwood, Henry B. Hildreth, Directors.

absence in Siliena.

The first meeting for the season of the Baptist Woman's Missionary solicity will be held in the vestry at three & Clock & Wednesday, September 15. Hev. G. M. Missirian, pastor of the Congresational church. Boxboro, will speak on the Armenians. It will be a union meeting, the ladies of the other churches being invited.

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State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss.

I. Charles A. Normand, Cashler of the above-named bank, do solemnly gwear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and bellef. CHARLES A. NORMAND, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me D. Chester Parsons, Notary Public.

Howard B. White, Daniel W. Fletcher, Oliver K. Pierce, Hobart E. Mead,

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the es-tate of HELEN MARIA BOYDEN of Townsend in said County, Whereas, HENRY B, HILDRETH allowance his third account as such conservator.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the first day of October A. D. 1918, at mine o'clock in the forenooh to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed

have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said conservator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen, days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postipaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of September in the year of our Lead one thousand nine hundred and eighteen. REPORT OF CONDITION of the First

F. M. ESTY, Register. COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons inter-ested in the estate of FRED HOWE, Whoulds late of Groton in said County, deceased, intestate. Whereas a petition has been pre-sented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said

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Saturday, September 14, 1918.

#### PEPPERELL

News Items.

Miss Madeline Graham expects to be called for overseas canteen work is the Red Cross about October 15.

Parkhurst & Dutton, the contrac-tors, who bought the lumber on the Henry D. Shattuck lot, sold the trash to Clement Noyes, who in turn sold the wood to the Tuckers as soon as he can get it cut.

Eugene Cleveland, who is superin-tendent at the Harry White farm, is reported to have leased the Gilman Blake place, near Blakesmere.

Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Ellsworth Shatof Rutland, motored last week Wednesday to see his sister, Miss Ida Shattuck, Oak hill.

The Nashua Steam Laundry, who been collecting laundry in town on Tuesdays and returning it on Fridays, burned a few days ago, but we understand that there were no goods from this town in the building at the time and that all that was in their was sent to some other laundry for finishing and will be returned in due season.

In response to a petition quite widecirculated in the old. section of Pepperell relative to the opening of the Townsend street schoolhouse for small children, a meeting was held on Monday evening in the Townsend street schoolhouse and the subdiscussed and each side thought the other had talked fair. The conditions are that a teacher would cost \$550, fuel \$100 and janitor \$130, and some thought that the \$780 ought to be used otherwise when all were clamoring for a reduction in the running expenses of the town. The was finally left with the school

Arthur Blood, of Gardner, formerly of Pleasant street, has been visiting his daughter, Mrs. Arthur Bartlett. He was seen on Main street, Tuesday, talking to old friends, and he was looking in excellent health.

John Carr, of the South road, has ad his house newly shingled and Fred Ringdahl has just had the ell to his house shingled.

Harold Ames came from Alabama to visit his mother, Mrs. Frank Ames Shirley street, arriving last week Wednesday. Mr. Ames occupies a prominent position in the Alabama Electric Power Company, which controls the electric power for the entire state of Alabama. He has a fine little blonde son that Grandma Ames says looks just as Harold used to look. The Harold. Ames family will return to Alabama this week.

One can see the women at work in fields and helping run the ensilage cutters now-a-days, which shows what the war is doing to the farm homes.

The people of Townsend street will miss Mrs. Campbell and her granddaughters, who have occupied the Tarbell house for some time, and who are anticipating moving to Fitchburg

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker made

On last week Thursday Mrs. Letender was taken ill, and as soon as she rallied went to her daughter's in comingter.

Mrs. Ralph Buck has taken the position in the Nashua River Company vacated by Miss Hazel Soule.

Last week Miss Hazel Soule comenced a civil service course at the lowell Commercial college.

## Killed in Action.

Mark Riley, Jr., the son of Mark Mark Riley, Jr., the son of shark and Ellen (Hinds) Riley, was born in Groton on October 18, 1896. His par-ents moved to East Pepperell and he attended the public schools. When he was at school and only eight years old. on being called on by his teacher to on being caned on by his ceached with the conversion except the chose to sing, and something, he chose to sing, and sung the song. "Tenting tonight on the sold camp ground," and said, "When I am big enough I'll go there." When he was sixteen, and large for his age. he was sixteen, and large for his age. he begged his mother to allow him to go into the naty, but he was too young the However, he did enlist in the ball, as on october 24, 1916 and encopied has 1 to there. The last time his the saw him was a year ago last April through the aid of Mayor Crow-les, of Nashua, N. H., when he came Portsmouth with a load of prisoners from South Carolina. The last word his parents received from him was August 2, when he stated that they should send no more letters updressed to the base hospital No France, as he would soon be with h. contrades in the lines and would be knocking the "square heads" to pieces. and for them not to worry about him, and that all of the boys would soon be

On August 20 an official telegram from Washington, D. C., announced that he was "killed in action" on August 11. Mass was celebrated Satarday morning in St. Joseph's church

He leaves both parents, three sisters and three brothers- Mrs. Flor-14 Highland street. ence Sullivan. Nashua, Mrs. Maude Gardner, Leighton street, Pepperell, and Miss Blanch Riley of Ayer: the three brothers all in the service, Sergt, Edward Joseph Riley, Company D, 504th Engineers, 3d Battalion service, A. E. F. France: Frank Riley, Quartermaster's Corps, Camp Merritt, Hoboken, N. J. and Leroy Riley, who has been over sens and is now en route for home invalided. Leroy Riley was two invalided. Leroy Riley was two months in the hospital at Branshot England, before he was sent to Liver-

pool, where he embarks for home People are sympathizing with the family and particularly with the mother, who is much depressed. The defighting for the safety of such girls as she and to make the world a safer place to live in, saying that she could not know what he had seen and knew

MISTAKEN PUNISHMENT. The man who first said: "Spare the rod and spoil the child," has been dend for many years; but he probably caused more suffering to children than any other man before or since says Dr. A. McKay Jordan in Humanitarian Magazine. We have not yet stantly in order to insure that he should become a wise and virtuous man. There is no child that degerves punishment for any of its actions. Apart from the usual childish pranks and scrapes which, through lack of

sympathy and understanding, we elders find so annoying, any so-called fault which a child commits is due either to ill health or improper training, and in neither case should a sin which is not his be visited upon the child. A baby cries because it is hungry or otherwise unhappy, and slapping it is but a poor remedy for either unhappiness or hunger. The juvenile delinquent errs because he has not been correctly trained or because he is incapable of proper training. In the first instance it is his elders and not the child who deserve punishment, and in the alternative case all the punishment in the world will

not prove a remedy. .

That America is capable of designing and building speedy single seater airplanes for battle service is evident from the Berckmans speed scout, recently put through rigid tests with the most satisfactory results, says Scientific American. Piloted by Bert Acosta, this little machine ascended to 22,-000 feet and returned to the earth in 27 minutes. The general specifications of this interesting little machine are as follows: Span, upper plane, 26 feet; lower plane, 19 feet; chord, both planes, 4 feet 11 inches; gap, 5 feet 3 inches; stagger, 17 degrees; length of machine over all, 18 feet; height of machine over all, 8 feet 9 inches; net weight, empty, 820 pounds; gross weight, loaded, 1,190 pounds; useful load, 370 pounds; engine, G. V. C. Gnome rotary, seven cylinders, 100 horsepower; speed range, 115-54 m. h. p.; climbing speed 1,100 feet per minute; gliding angle 8 to 1; radius of action 21/2 hours.

Yesterday it was only the men who went forth to war while the women remained behind to keep up the home and cultivate the fields. Today the women still keep up the home and cultivate the fields, but they also do their a splendid part-in the actual work of carrying on war. Thousands of these women are scattered about the United Kingdom and in France; many of them very close to the actual battlefront, risking their lives and giving themselves as freely, as unselfishly and courageously as their men do to drive from the earth all fear of the iron heel of Prussianism, says New Success. They are in the base and field hospitals, and canteens and dressing stations, in the Y. M. C. A. hutseverywhere, and are an indispensable factor in carrying on the war.

But a short time ago pessimistic writers were hysterically bewailing the deterioration of American manhood. They saw evidences of it in the factories, in the public schools, in every walk of life, and prophesied that in a few years we would be a pathetic race of pygmies, says Philadelphia Telegraph. In any of our national encampments one may now see the finest no better and no worse than common specimens of manhood on the face of was done by another total stranger the earth. American manhood is far there will positively be nearly 200 feet from deterioration. As a matter of of pictures given!"-Kansas City Star. we are growing stronger every day. Advancement in the sciences clean living and a better understanding of hygienic essentials have placed us in the foreground of physical development.

fecting not merely the curriculum of plague belted the tropical world from "It is of the highest importance, afour schools, but their continued existcuce, that all the people of the United cuce, that all the people of the United place; there were 590,000 cases, with States shall come to read and speak 360,000 deaths. The disease area exand think in the one prevailing lau- tended as far north as Egypt and Senin New York on the subject of the deaths were not above several hun-

Another reason why the callow youth of this time is spindle-shanked, narrow-chested and dance-crazy is that he was not permitted to live in a period when it was the height of fashion to wear paper collars and use two pints of bear grease on his hair every week.

An army ruling is that a soldier's life insurance must be taken out in favor of his legal wife. Which calls to mind again that the Illegal wife has a very poor standing in this vale of

We suggest that the maximum draft age be high enough to cover the fellow who is always saying: "If I thought I was really needed I would like to go."

new star, but they are not making so ery.

## Put in Everything.

Doctor-"There's the original prescription. I can't imagine how you been known to dive at the made that mistake in putting it up!" yards in a minute. Druggist-"Humph! I must have mixed your signature in with the other ingredients."-Judge.

Something They Didn't Want. Some of these numerous and vocif- to go skating. Mary in great exciterous folk who are always crying for ment ran to her mother, saying: ustice may some day get it. Then "What you think, manning like the what will they say?—Milwaukee News. has her first attempt will boy!"

FIREARMS ARE NOT FRAGILE

Shotgun Properly Cared For is Said to Be Good for a Hundred Thousand Shots.

A question frequently asked is, "How long will my shotgun last?" or "How many shots can I fire from my rifle or revolver before it wears out?'

It is impossible for anyone to say just how long a firearm will last, behand what kind of care it is going to get, and the care it receives makes all the difference between a few hundred shots and a lifetime of faithful service.

Assuming that they are cleaned carefully and consistently a good shotgun will show practically no falling off in pattern of penetration for probably well over 100,000 shots. A 22-caliber rifle and a revolver are both good for 30,000 or 40,000 shots. A high-power rifle is good for about 3,000 to 5,000 sliots, usually the higher the velocity the shorter the life of the barrel.

Judging from these facts it would appear that the higher the pressure developed by the explosion the more wear on the barrel, for the shotgun de velops the least pressure and the high-

A rather interesting sidelight on this question of barrel life is a determination of the actual length of time to which a good shotgun barrel is subected to the force and burning effect of the powder charge during its lifetime. If 100,000 shots are fired from a shotgun the inside of the barrel is actually exposed to the flame of the powder charge for about four minutes.

## AMOUNT OF FOOD NEEDED

Committee of Experts Has Decided Just What Must Be Supplied to the Average Man.

As a basis for calculating the amount of food which must be provided for the human system the internilled scientific food commission has found that an average man of 154 pounds working eight hours a day requires food having an energy value of 3,300 calories.

The commission consists of repre sentatives of the United States, France Italy, Belgium and Great Britain, and its purpose is to consider the food problem of the allies from a scientific point of view, and in agreement with the interallied executives to make proposals

to the allied governments. The commission agreed that, in event it should become impossible to supply 3,300 calories of food, a reduction of 10 per cent could be suffered for some time, without injury to health. The minimum ration of fat for the "aver was determined upon as two and five eighths ounces a day.

The commission recommended that a uniform average milling extraction of 85 per cent for wheat be adopted throughout the allied countries, but this extraction may vary from 80 per cent in summer to 90 per cent in win-

ter. The commission held sessions in London, Paris and Rome.

A Reel Treat. "Ladles and gentlemen," began the nanager of the Dillydally moving picture theater, appearing in front of the screen, "it affords me pleasure to assure you that we are about to present for your entertainment a unique departure in modern motion pictures-1,000-foot film, on which, after about 300 feet have been used in exploiting the title, the name of the author, the oxlike countenance of the famous star, Francis X. Mushman, the fact that it was produced under the personal supervision of a great genius of whom you never heard before, and the information that the photography, which is

Epidemic Record of 1917. Turkey to the Philippines, striking down 55,000 in the Indian region; there were 8,870 cases in the Philippines and many deaths in Burmah. Bubonic Peru to Hawaii and New Caledonia. In British India the largest mortality took egal. Yellow fever appeared in Af-

Surely Has "Done His Bit." "I think this man is doing his bit," an army correspondent who sends the following dispatch to the

Army and Navy Journal: "George Borden, a negro, of Goldsboro, N. C., has furnished sons to the war in the sum of nearly two squads. He is the father of 35 children, 27 of them living and 14 of them in the United States army either in this country or in France.

"He has been married three times and on four occasions has been the ther of quadruplets."

Many Feeble-Minded.

complete census of the feebleminded in the United States has never been taken, but it is estimated that there is one feeble-minded person to every 250 of the population, or approvimately 400,000 in all, according to the secretary of one of the New York met at hygiche organizations. About The astronomers have discovered a 12000 men have been rejected from the new national army on account of much fuss about it as would an im- nervous and mental disorders; and oresario who makes a similar discov- one-third of these were rejected on account of feeble-mindedness.

> Swift Divers. A whale struck by a harpoon has been known to dive at the rate of 300

Her Coming Out, as it Wers. Wee Mary was in the room when the telephone rang and her sister Elizabeth, aged eleven, was being invited

AN EDISON EPIGRAM.

Thomas A. Edison is a man of few words, and, like many a man of similar habits, often packs away a lot of wisdom in a brief sentence, says Philadelphia Bulletin. He was talking s few nights ago of the gigantic tasks and responsibilities the war imposed on the nation, and particularly of the necessity of speeding up, when he let this spark fly: . "It is not a question of what we must not do, but a question of what we must do." If the truth of this sentence were to be recognized by legislators and administrators, the task of government in war would be

easier, and results might be far better. The inventor was speaking of the waste of mental and other energy at Washington in seeking to put aside the 'nonessential" operations of the country, and his immediate application of his nut-shell philosophy was that if the government were to devote its entire energy to stimulating production of the things necessary for the conduct of the war it need not bother with nonessentials, so long as they did not prevent or interfere with war work. But the thought deserves a wider application, and the substitution of "do" for "don't" would simplify a lot of more or less successful government regulation.

"Old men for counsel," is the saying, "young men for war." But this war rather falsifies the old adage, says Spokane Spokesman Review. At seventy-seven Clemenceau of France remains so energetic that he still deserves his cognomen of "the tiger." Joffre was an old man when he won the battle of the Marne. Lloyd George is not exactly young. Woodrow Wilson is past sixty. But none of them seems to require the Osler method of being chloroformed out of existence. These veterans do not "lag superfluous on the stage."- Cato learned Greek at eighty. 'Chaucer com-posed his "Canterbury Tales" at sixty. Goethe toiled to the end and his "Faust" was not completed till he had outlived eighty. Simonides won a prize for poetry and Sophocles wrote "Oedipus," when each had passed four-score. Theophristus outdid them all, for he was ninety when he commenced his "Characters of Men."

Since it is the part of wisdom to turn everything, even misfortune, to use, there is considerable interest in what good effects may be had from the various food shortages which are with us and in prospect. Robert Hutchin-son points out in British Medical Journal that though a reduction in the fat ration of half a pound a week would entail a loss of weight, this loss is not progressive, the individual being able to maintain a lower weight on a diminished diet. This is due to the lessened output of guerry required to transport a smaller body weight. A lesser body surface also means a smaller heat loss. The conclusion is reached that there is no reason to suppose that smaller, rations means a lowering of health-probably the reverse is the case.

The president tells us that in the autumn "a much larger sale of longtime bonds must be effected than has yet been attempted." This will mean a Liberty Loan of more than \$3,000,000, 000, the highest figure. The fact that the oversubscription of the third loan totaled \$1,500,000,000 creates an impres sion that possibly the next call may be for between \$4,000,000,000 and \$5,000,000,000, says Syracuse Journal. But Americans will foot the bill, whatever it may be and i Disease scourges took a great toll it may be demanded. They realize, in the orient during 1917. Cholera pre- as the president says he does, that "we vailed in southern Asia from Asiatic are not only in the midst of the war, we are at the very peak and crisis of it."

Housewives are reminded that the fly objects to oil of lavender, as well as to honeysuckle, heliotrope and hop blossoms. His taste is unrefined in what he does not like as well as in what he does, and the determination to keep him out of the dining room and away from the baby's cradle should not be receded from in the slightest degree. - 30

There is said to be 3,000,000 dogs in Great Britain, and the war exigency for food will lead to putting them on rations. In all the war countries across the ocean there is competition for every crust of bread.

Another way to improve the verse of three-fourths of the war poets is to put them in the trenches where they can get the inspiration of the battle itself.

The average woman finds out how her husband likes to have her do up her hair and then she does it up some other way.

Threats of soap shortage ought to timulate inventors **of substitutes, such** as wood ashes, sand and other scouring materials.

It is a good thing that our popular idols are not judged by the cigars that are named after them.

Maitese is a most peculiar language.
It is of Oriental design. Arabic in its chief characteristics, but sprinkled all through with Italian incorpora-"Talk less and say more," is the adtions. It has no grammar, is phonetic and idiomatic. Mouth Illaminator. For the use of physicians and den

in 1696 by Sir William Turnbull to Sir James Ogilvie. The epistle, with its covering, is still preserved in the British museum. At that period, and long afterward, it was the general custom to fold letters and seal them with wax. Early in the last century envelopes. began to come into more general use, and stamped envelopes achieved wide popularity in England shortly after the establishment of the penny post in 1840. By 1850 they were largely

Triumph of Engineering.

used on this side of the Atlantic.

One of the greatest engineering projects of the world, the Suez canal, was formally opened 48 years ago. canal cost \$100,000,000. / The festival given by the khedive in commemoraion of the opening of the canal cost \$23,000,000, or a fourth as much as the anal. Cairo was gaily decked for the event, which was attended by the emperor of Austria, the empress of France, and many other high personages. The engineering work of the cawas under the direction of the great French engineer, De Lesseps The canal is 88 miles long.

"Father of Fishes."

Probably the most famous of our ash culturists by reason of his long service and remarkable success-was Seth Green, familiarly known as the "Father of Fishes." His experiments pegan in 1864, and he discovered the so-called "dry method" of impregnation so extensively used in later-day practical trout culture. His early work was done in the Caledonia creek hatchery. The artificial propagation of shad in the Connecticut river was successfully attempted by Seth Green in 1887 -W. W. Wood, in the American Angler.

What She Wanted. Mary had gone to one of her friend's birthday parties. At the party choco late and coconut cakes were served The lady that served the cake asked Mary what kind of cake she wanted. "The cake with the noodles on it," was her prompt reply.

Unprepared.

Daughter (weeping bitterly)-"Oh, do have pity, papa, and let Edward and me be happy." Papa (naturalist, furiously)-"What! You think of matrimony, when you don't even know how many vertebrae there are in the spinal column of a lizard!"-Christian Register.

Truthful Aphorism.

In a catalogue of apherisms in a newspaper we find this: "A woman's smile is more dangerous than her frown." There is a semblance of truth in the saying and the semblance occuples the forefront of the aphorism There may be many men who will ter tify to the wisdom of the saying.-Ohio State Journal.

Beyond Comprehension.

Kant, whose searching analysis of the pure reason, probed deeper than any philosopher before him into the mystery of consciousness, confessed that two things filled him with awe, as beyond the faculty of the human mind to grasp—the immensity of the starry heavens, and the moral sense implant ed in the soul of man.

Relieving Our Minds.

What passes for reasoning on most occasions is a series of vocal sounds which serve-to use a phrase at once popular and scientific-to relieve our Arguments employed in newspaper editorials are commonly little more than mere ejaculations, called forth by feelings of approval or alarm.disapproval, comfort or James H. Robinson, in Atlantic.

Flying Grasshoppers.

A species of grasshopper known to be capable of flying great distances is at times found far from land. The bureau of entomology recently received one of these insects which had been captured at sea, 12,000 miles from the African coast. The specimen was caught on the deck of a Norwegian vessel, and was one of a great swarm of the insects encountered in that re-

Esquimaux Own Land in Common.

There is no suffrage question among the Esquimaux-the woman owns the igloo with the man and has equal voice in the council meetings. And there are no vexations questions about property rights to settle, because besides the igloo and personal belongings there is no property. The Esquimaux cannot conceive of land as belonging to any one person. When told how it is held as private property in the states, they showed great surprise and one old man asked if the white men also divided the oceans in the same way.-World's Outlook

Digging.

It is seldom that men discover rich mines without digging. Nature commonly lodges her treasures and Jewels in rock ground. If the matter be knotty and the sense lie deep, they must stop and buckle to it, and stick upon it with labor and thought and close contemplation, and not leave it until they have mastered the difficulty and got possession of the truth. Locke.

Good Advice.

vice given to a group of girls. No one expects a girl's conversation to be profound and philosophical, but there is no doubt that more thinking before speaking would make the words of many girls better worth hearing. The tists, a tongue depressing instrument has been invented that switches on an trouble is not that girls lack intelligence, but that they are rather laxy electric light to llimminute a patient's mouth when it is used. Houston Post. about using their brains.

# The First Envelope. The first envelope of which there is any knowledge inclosed a letter sent in 1696 by Sir William Turabull to Sir James Oglivie. The epistle, with its covering, is still preserved in the British museum. At that period, and long ifterward, it was the general custom to fold letters and seal them with wax. Early in the last century envelopes segun to come into more general use. Special Sale Automobile Tires

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iews Items The electric men call the square cage on the Nashua River Paper Com-pany's grounds, near the bridge, "the as it increases or intensifies the current. It is labeled "Danger.

The registrars of voters will be at their rooms in the town house evening, September 16, from 30 to 9 o'clock to register voters. Mrs. William Withrow, Park street

Mrs. William Withrow, Pari Street, was called to Waltham early in the week, as her daughter, Mrs. Russell Haynes, had a surgical operation, Mrs. Withrow is expected home the last of this week. The autoists are certainly living up

to government requirements when Main street is as quiet on a Sunday as a baseball field in winter. One may traverse it, but there is no fun in it. Mr. Drury, of Lawrence, formerly of Pleasant street, was in Tuesday and it was surmissed that he

had some connection with the reported taking over by the government of the Champion works. The Shirley Electric Company are erecting a lot of poles around the old Parker mill property.

Sunday they both went to Ayer to spend Sunday with Mrs. Earl Farnsworth and Monday each returned to their respective home.

Miss Anna Peabody and Miss Lewis left town on Monday, one going to North Adams and the other to Auburn.

George G. Tarbell is not sprinting for amusement now as he had the mishap to fall ten or fifteen feet a week ago and hurt his feet in the fail, but he is now improving. The pastor of the Methodist church,

Rev. B. W. Rust, will have for the morning service next Sunday the topic, "The over-coming church." topic for happy hour service is "The one talent man." The meeting of last Sunday evening at the M. E. church was the first of the Federated series. Rev. A. F.

Reimer of Boston spoke on "The new church and the new day." The audlence certainly appreciated the fine address and it was spoken of from several homes. Mr. Reimer was a double classmate of Mr. Rust's, being with him in college and in the theological school, a friendship of over

seven years.

dist parsonage. bers of the Epworth League will serve the repast. The peach stones and other material

for gas masks desired by the government may be left at either drugstore n town. Don't forget the urgent need for the members of the Special Aid to be

at their rooms next Monday. Business meeting at three p. m. The members of the East Village Social club met with their president Miss Marie Jordan, at Blakesmere o

Wednesday, September 11, and had a very nice time. They made little crit

plankets for refugee children. The sixty-seventh Rebekah anniver sary will be observed by Acoma Re bekah lodge, I. O. O. F., Tuesday Tuesday vening, September 24, at 8.30 o'clock in Oddfellows' hall. A short address and readings will be given by Mrs. May H. Gaynor, past president of the Rebekah assembly, followed by a meical program and readings Oddfellows and resident Oddfellows with their families are invited.

A new vegetable called "summe asparagus," grown on the Wilson farm in Groton, has been tried according to directions by the grower and others and pronounced a decided suc-While somewhat like a summer squash it is different both in and taste. In form it somewhat re sembles a big cucumber. Dr. Cleveland and family, of Hollis

street, left Sunday for his winter in Wellesley Hills. His mother, Mrs. King, is going to remain at the farm for a few weeks longer. Mrs. Clarence Tucker, of Heald

street, came back from Natick last week Friday after a week's visit with her daughter. Paul Maxwell was recently a visito at the home of his parents, Mr. and RIPE TOMATOES Mrs. Louis Maxwell.

Charles Isola, of Mt. Vernon, N. H vas in town at the closing out auction sale at the Isola farm in Pepperell on

last Saturday. Miss Mollie Frazer has been on isit to Natick and Boston. not wish to return to teaching this fall.

Last Tuesday night the frost struck the eastern side of Oak hill very se-verely, and the gardens containing tomatoes, squash, cucumbers and corn and in fact almost all garden truck, were badly damaged. Probably Ru-pert Blood suffered as much as any one, as he had helped others with their land preparations in the spring so that his own garden was late. Another week of good weather would have enabled him to get something for

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his work. A neculiar thing about this frost is that it was so much harder on the hill than in the valley, where there was very little damage done. Last Saturday Mrs. Stella Mention returned to Bedford after a month's sojourn'at her faym home on Oak hill.

MILLER

Miss Nellie Fitch, of Malden, is at the home of her cousin, B. W. Parker, for a short time. Raymond Gaskill and Miss Laura

Hobbs, of Nashua, were at Mr. Gas-kill's last Sunday, and Raymond came back on Thursday to register. Corp. W. S. Boynton, D. E. O. C., camé home Saturday on a ten-days

furlough from the Watertown arsenal, where he has been for nine months. Watch out for the entertainment at Oak hill hall on Friday evening, Sep-tember 20. The committee is trying to get the musicians from Camp Devens and put part of the proceeds to-ward Red Cross work. There will be posters announcing the music as soon

as it is settled. Other Pepperell items on first page.

Congregational Notes. Rev. J. B. Lewis will preach in the Congregational church Sunday morn-ing and evening. At the morning serv-

Mrs. H. E. Deal of Forest Hills came ice his topic will be "Young people and the war." It is a matter of most sister. Mrs. Jonas Andrews, and on serious importance to the nation that our young men and women receive the training and education which prepares them for life and leadership in the new world which the war is bringing in. Sunday school will meet at noon.

Rally day will be observed in church and Sunday school on September 29. The Women's Missionary society will meet at the parsonage next Wednesday promptly at three o'clock. There will be a short business meeting for election of officers, followed by re-

ports and plans for the women interested are invited. The people of the Congregational church have been asked to furnish entertainment and light refreshments for the soldiers at the Church Federation House in Ayer this Friday eve-

ning. Camp Fire Notes.

The Paugus Camp Fire Girls held their regular monthly business meeting with Mrs. Lewis last Friday. After the opening patriotic service reports from the secretary and treasurer were given and new officers chosen. It was voted that each girl should try especially to help more definitely her The patriotic helpers will resume church Bible school and give regular their work this Friday at the Metho- time to the Junior Red Cross work. dist parsonage.

The annual harvest supper of the Methodist church will be held Wednesday, September 25, and the members of the Edworth League will sarve the rank of fire-makers. Mrs. Larie the rank of fire-makers. nvited the camp for supper and most

of them attended the Forward club corn roast in the evening. The Junior Camp Fire and Blue Birds met after school Tuesday for a corn roast and out-door games. They will help in Junior Red Cross work this winter, besides being generally

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