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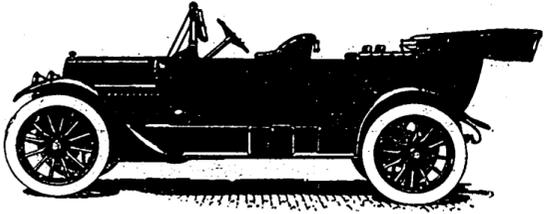
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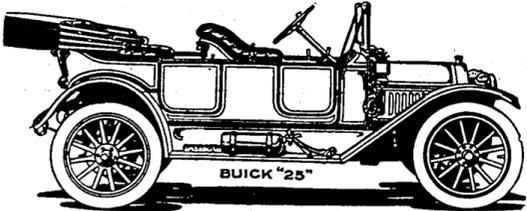
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News Items.

The first ball game of the season with out of town teams was played at Bromfield on last Saturday between Bromfield and Shirley high. The score was 15 to 1 in favor of Bromfield. The game scheduled for Wednesday at Groton was not played on account of wet grounds. On Saturday, April 19, there will be two games played: Ayer vs. Bromfield at ten in the morning, and Groton vs. Bromfield at three in the afternoon. Both games are to be played at the home grounds.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Weymouth, who have for the past winter been employed at the State Home and School at Providence, R. I., were in town this week removing their household goods from the tenement at I. E. Morse's. They have purchased a farm near Greenfield, N. H., and have moved there this week.

Dr. Royal returned from the hospital on Sunday last, and although still lame, is able to get about and attend to part of his practice. Mrs. Royal is in rather poor health, which makes it rather hard to attend to the duties devolving upon a doctor's place. Miss Ruth Willard, of Still River, is with them for a few days helping them about the house and office work.

Stanley Ryan went to the hospital at Clinton this week for treatment on his arm. He has blood poisoning, resulting from a scratch on his hand.

Prof. and Mrs. F. L. Kennedy, of Harvard university, Cambridge, were at their summer home here, formerly known as Abbotshell, for a few days this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bagster, of West Somerville, spend the holiday and Sunday with Miss Margaret Bagster.

Quincy Bull and his daughter, Ruth Bull, are expected at the home of Mrs. H. Emma Whitney for over Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip O. Dickson are visiting with friends at Tufts college.

W. W. Parker, who for the past year has been farm manager for H. F. Whitney on Oak Hill, has severed business relations there. Charles Campbell, of Still River, has taken his place on the farm and has moved his goods there this week.

Mrs. O. A. Fairbanks visited over last Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Leon Dadmun at their home in Somerville.

Schools close this week for a week's recess and will reopen for the spring term on April 28.

Charles H. Tewksbury moved his family this week Friday to his new home in Shirley.

For the benefit of the public who do not know what the grange educational aid fund means, the following explanation is given: A year or so ago the State grange started this fund at one of its meetings, a fund from which needy young people in good standing in the grange may borrow money, paying a small rate of interest and thereby obtaining a higher education. Harvard grange gives an interesting entertainment on the evening of May 6, at eight o'clock toward swelling this educational aid fund.

Harvard grange will confer the first and second degrees on a class of candidates at their second meeting in May. The men's degree staff of Bolton will confer the second degree.

At the last regular meeting of Harvard grange, held on Tuesday evening last, a class of fifteen to be initiated into the order was reported by the committees having the matter in charge. The questions, "How to manage a farm," by the sisters, and "How to manage a house," by the brothers brought out some very unique and original suggestions, if not altogether practicable. The house fly was also viewed from all sides, his characteristics and peculiarities discussed. He was unanimously voted to be pest, and several old and new suggestions



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as to how to get rid of him were proposed. Miss Annie Reed presented a very interesting grange paper both original and entertaining. Music was in charge of Miss Edith Dudley.

Congregational Notes.
The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church met on last Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. N. A. Dill. Nineteen members were present and in addition to participation in a delightful social gathering, discussed business matters of much importance, the nature of which will be divulged later.

Deacon Albert A. Pollard, with Mrs. Pollard and Mrs. Savage were elected delegates to the spring meeting of the Middlesex Union Association of Congregational churches held in Fitchburg on Wednesday of this week.

Rev. Herbert K. Job, state ornithologist of Connecticut, assistant editor of

Outing, and famous student of bird life has written the Scoutmaster that he is already booked for every available night this spring, but will reserve a date in the early fall for the Harvard Troop. Hon. J. Wilder Fairbank, of Boston, has been secured instead of Mr. Job, and will give one of his fascinating lectures sometime within a few weeks.

At the morning service on Sunday, April 20, the theme of the pastor's sermon will be "Forward, march!" In the prayer meeting the subject will be "Favorite verses in the psalms." Miss Mildred Carman will lead this meeting.

SHIRLEY

News Items.
Miss Elmira Leavitt is confined to her home with sickness.

Miss Grace M. Adams was tendered a miscellaneous shower at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank W. Snell on Center road on Thursday evening. The entire Snell homestead was thrown open to the guests and the evening was most enjoyably spent. Games, with vocal and instrumental music were entered into with a vim and enthusiasm that echoed and re-echoed throughout this hospitable home. Refreshments of ice cream and cake with punch were served. Miss Blanche Sawyer and Arthur Annie very acceptably played the role of pourers. The hostess, Miss Grace M. Adams, whose engagement was recently announced to Lawrence Burleigh Smith, of Somerville, was the happy recipient of many useful and dainty gifts.

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WESTFORD.

Center. Mrs. Alfred W. Hartford went to Deerfield for a few days last week to visit relatives.

Cyrus Hosmer, of Wakefield, has been a recent visitor at the home of his daughter, Mrs. W. M. Wright.

Principal Roudenbush, of the academy, has had his household goods arrive from Clifton Springs, N. Y., and with Mrs. Roudenbush expects soon to start housekeeping in Mrs. Frost's house.

The teachers since the John Sherlocks moved to Ayer have been fortunate in securing a boarding place at Mrs. George Walker's.

Miss Edith Lawrence, one of the former teachers at the academy, was an over Sunday visitor in town this last week.

We are glad to report the sick ones at the hospitals making good progress toward recovery. Mrs. Homer M. Seavey, Mrs. George Bennett and Edward Robey at the Lowell General hospital, and Miss Beatrice Sutherland at the Massachusetts Woman's hospital in Roxbury.

Mrs. L. W. Wheeler entertained the Thimble club on Friday of this week. There was a full attendance of the membership and a merry time.

Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Boynton have gone to Medfield, where Mr. Boynton is to have charge of Redgate farm. Walter E. Morris, formerly of Billerica, and well-known to the gangsters in this vicinity, has had charge of this farm, but has been obliged to resign owing to ill health.

Renovations and repairs at the Congregational church this week have been making good progress under the direction of the trustees. The pews were taken out on Monday and the worn out carpet taken up. Carpenters have been repairing the floor and the register in the center aisle has been moved toward the back of the church several feet. There have also been repairs to the roof made. Workmen have been busy with the laying of the new floor covering, a heavy linoleum known as the battleship linoleum. Next week it is expected the vestries will be repainted and re-frescoed. Owing to these repairs no services will be held next Sunday.

Rev. and Mrs. David Wallace, Miss Sarah W. Loker and L. W. Wheeler were in attendance at the spring meeting of the Middlesex Union Association of Congregational churches held at Fitchburg on Wednesday.

Mrs. Ida M. Gould made a short visit with her daughter, Mrs. J. H. Colburn last week, previous to starting on a trip to Ottawa, Canada, demonstrating for the Howard Duster Co.

Lecture.

Hon. Charles M. Gardner, master of the State grange, lectured on "Rural progress that is real," in the vestry of the Unitarian church on Monday evening. Mr. Gardner is no stranger in Westford, having been here as a speaker before the grange on a number of occasions, but on Monday evening came under different auspices, namely, as the special guest of Senator Edward Fisher. In a recent conference held in Boston on rural progress, a certain minister located in one of our Massachusetts towns, presented a scathing pessimistic view of conditions in rural communities. It was Mr. Gardner's opportunity to reply to this man's views which he did with such convincing and logical optimism that Senator Fisher, who heard him, invited him to come to Westford and give these views.

In his capacity as master of the State grange, Mr. Gardner acknowledged having been entertained in five years in four hundred homes in this state, of course, very largely in country homes. From this experience and as a student of just these conditions, Mr. Gardner considered himself qualified to speak of rural progress as he had found it, and his presentation on Monday evening was full of interest. Rural free delivery, the parcel post, home comforts in lighting, heating and sanitation, educational and social advantages in even the smaller communities were set forth in Mr. Gardner's entertainingly convincing way.

Previous to the lecture, Miss Julia Fletcher and Miss Hazel Hartford rendered a piano duet and Miss Gertrude Fletcher and Miss Jeanette Sutherland a vocal duet.

Death.

Another of our civil war veterans has answered the last summons this last week. Francis Hosmer died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Alice MacDougal on Thursday evening of last week, the result of a paralytic seizure. Death came to Mr. Hosmer as a release from much further suffering, for he had been afflicted for some time with a cancer of the throat, and this had not reached the advanced stages.

He was born on February 9, 1828, and was the son of Isaac Hosmer, of Concord, and Harriet Heywood, of Sudbury. He enlisted in the 3rd regiment, New Hampshire Volunteers, Co. F, in Nashua, August 15, 1861, and was discharged on August 23, 1864, at Bermuda Hundred, Va. He re-enlisted on December 21, 1864, in the 1st regiment, U. S. Veteran Volunteers, Co. A, and received an honorable discharge at Fort Henry, Baltimore, on December 20, 1865.

Mr. Hosmer was a stone mason by trade. He is survived by a son, William Hosmer, of Forge Village, and a daughter, Mrs. MacDougal, of this village; also, a number of grandchildren and two great-grandchildren.

The funeral was held from the home of his daughter on Sunday afternoon. Rev. Lyman B. Weeks was the officiating clergyman. The bearers were Sherman H. Fletcher, Al Hieknell, Wayland Hatch and J. Everett Woods, these last three being members of the Westford Veteran association. Interment was in Fairview cemetery.

The following is a list of floral offerings:

Wreath, veterans; wreath inscribed "Father," Mrs. MacDougal; wreath inscribed "Grandpa," Mrs. Henrietta Heywood and Allister MacDougal.

wreath, the Hosmer grandchildren of Forge Village; spray, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hieknell; spray, Mrs. John Fenney and John Fenney; spray, Mr. and Mrs. James Spinner.

Home-makers' Course.

The committee in charge of the Home-makers' course of lectures and demonstrations to be given under the auspices of the Tadmuck club have made good progress in their arrangements and the course promises much of interest and profit for the very nominal fee charged for the course. Miss Alice J. Bunce, of Worcester, a graduate of Simmons college, and who has been so successfully identified with the Amherst Extension school courses given throughout the state this winter, is the lecturer. The dates from Monday, April 28, to Friday, May 2, have been chosen, the earlier date chosen on account of the W. C. T. U. convention that meets here the week of May 12. The meetings will be in the lower town hall, beginning at 2.30. The main outline of these lectures are as follows:

Monday—Why Study home making? A well-balanced diet. Tuesday—Nutritive value, care and use of milk. Diet for children and elderly persons. Invalid cooking. Wednesday—Planning a meal. Thursday—Vegetables and cereals. Friday—A healthful house. Community welfare.

Any further details will be given at the regular meeting of the Tadmuck club on next Tuesday afternoon at Library hall. This will be the last working program of the season, and will close the season's special topic of study for the season, that of "Holland." Rev. Howard Van der Pyle, of Haverhill, will lecture on "Customs and costumes of Holland." Holland is his native country, and as he is a speaker of known ability it promises an interesting afternoon.

About Town.

Daniel H. Sheehan has recently purchased and removed to his home on Pigeon hill, Stony Brook road, two more large steam boilers which required three horses to handle. Daniel has boilers stored at Westford station at his mill on Tadmuck brook and at Pigeon hill.

J. Everett Woods has sold his pine lumber lot on Snake Meadow brook near the Groton road to John A. Healy. This is an exceptional smooth lot of lumber, many of the trees being three feet in diameter. The portable sawmill of Fred Russell, now sawing for O. R. Spaulding near Burgess pond, will be moved to this lot when free from duty No. 1.

The James H. O'Brien family on Pigeon hill, Stony Brook road, have the scarlet fever and are under quarantine. Dr. Varney, of North Chemsford, is time-keeper of the temperature.

Edson G. Boynton, formerly of Westford, Arlington and other places, has accepted the position of superintendent of a large farm in Medfield, where Deputy Walter E. Morris has been for several years and resigned on account of ill health.

Mrs. Thomas Murray, of Gorham, Me., is visiting former remembrances in Westford.

Matthew Smith has revoked his labors of love for farming at the Henry B. Read farm, and henceforth will be located at his home at Brookside and elsewhere.

While Mr. and Mrs. William Graves were driving on Cold Spring road on last Saturday evening, the horse shied and ran in several directions at the same time, but suddenly concentrated in one direction over the wall near the house of David Sherman. Ever got out of the wagon involuntarily by the law of gravitation. No one was seriously injured.

Reinhold Stephan died at his home on the Boston road near Mine's Corner after a few days' illness of pneumonia. He leaves a widow and two daughters. He owned and tilled industriously a small farm, and had been a resident of the town for quite a number of years. The funeral took place from St. Catherine's church, Graniteville on Wednesday forenoon.

The Fortnightly club is still doing business at the old stand, the Westford schoolhouse on the Groton road. For a mere fragment of the town in population and space abundant, they are to be congratulated on their wisdom, sharpened by pluck in surviving the indifference and discouragements that usually overtakes similar rural undertakings. But they are still a part of the active life of the town in the effort to neutralize the too prevalent tendency to scatter efforts on the basis of isolation. As a come-together effort, the Fortnightly club will give a play entitled "Black diamond," at the Wright schoolhouse on Friday evening, April 25. They speak for the encouragement of a house-full of patrons at this entertainment. Let it be proportionate to their efforts at keeping live coals for future fires.

Under the auspices of the West Chemsford Debating society, the Blue Ribbon Minstrels gave an excellent minstrel show at Marshall's hall, Westford Corner, on last week Friday evening.

Otis Day, of the Day farm firm, has leased the adjoining farm owned by William Graves.

Quincy W. Day has secured a position as stationary engineer in Stoneham.

The burning of the bowling alley at Lakeview park on Tuesday evening at Braut and Tynesboro, made it the first fire from Westford Corner, though Brookside was it on the fire map. We are well, thank you, and surrounded by an abundance of water and voting for the bar and bottle bill, which calls for more water.

Entertained.

The usual and natural generous hospitality of Hon. Herbert E. Fletcher was newly exemplified at his large modern house on Oak hill on Monday evening when a company of about forty friends and neighbors were entertained by 240 stereopticon views of the Panama canal and environments, including scenes from Jamaica. The views were illuminated by electricity operated by Lucius A. Derby, of Lowell, and were a clear daylight exposition of this great undertaking with its fifty steam shovels capable of handling ten tons at one scoop, and the iron clad locks, the wisdom of which have already been seen in comparison with sea level and the deluge rain falls, such as the recent western floods have thrown upon the camera of observation and experience.

Councillor Fletcher procured these views as an eye witness in his recent trip to the Panama canal, and like himself, they are true to life and nature. Jamaica still displays its earthquake side as well as its tropical climate and fruits.

This entertainment had many advantages over a trip to the Panama canal. Every thing was marked and paid, there was no danger from earthquakes, there was none of the fatigue from the heat of the tropical climate, and the unknown of the tropical climate was there—ice cream—and

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Forge Village.

George O. Jackson is confined to his home by illness. He fell from his wagon several days ago and hurt himself in several places. John Spinner is managing his farm.

A brush fire was the cause of much excitement here on last week Thursday afternoon on the Holbrook farm. J. A. Cameron immediately attended the fire department out, and the fire was soon under control. Several acres of fruit trees were burned, but the bon crop was saved. The house is occupied by Mr. Darby, the night watchman at the mill, and his family.

Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett and son, John E. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Blodgett and Mr. and Mrs. William Blodgett, together with Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis, John Baker and Mrs. Dinah McMurray attended the funeral of John H. Jones in Worcester on Monday.

Harry Roberts, of Wales, arrived at the home of his brother on Monday.

The friends of Miss Rachael Cherry tendered her a granite ware shower at her home on Monday evening. The shower was enjoyably spent with music and games, and refreshments were served. Miss Cherry is to be married shortly to Percy Hargraves, of Beverly.

Mrs. M. A. Lowther has received word from her daughter, Mrs. Charlotte Maun, of Pennsylvania. Mrs. Maun states that she suffered greatly during the flood, but did also her oldest daughter Mary, of Youngstown, Ohio, the latter losing everything, besides contracting colds from exposure.

Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, of St. Mark's church, Leominster, officiated at the services at St. Andrew's mission last Sunday. Several members of St. Mark's choir accompanied him, and in consequence the singing was a special feature. The little chapel was filled to its utmost with many friends who came to welcome their former pastor on his visit. A dainty luncheon was served the visitors after the services, and greetings were exchanged.

Death.

The sympathy of the village is extended to the bereaved family of Mrs. Laura E. Jones, of Worcester, in the loss of a devoted husband and loving father, John H. Jones, who died in the Worcester hospital after an illness which developed into pneumonia. Mrs. Jones, with his wife, who was before her marriage, Miss Laura Bennett, of this village, spent their summers here, but have always resided in Worcester. On account of his pleasing personality and sterling habits, Mr. Jones had formed many firm friendships here, which were annually renewed at Christmas time, as he never missed visiting the old home at that season.

The news of his sudden and untimely death has been received as a most sudden blow, and with deep regret by all. Besides his wife, a son, Albert E., and daughter, Ethel L., of Worcester, are left to mourn his loss; also, an aunt, Mrs. Jane Baker, and several cousins, all of this village. The funeral took place on Monday afternoon from his home, 12 Fern street, and was very largely attended by many sorrowing relatives and friends. Rev. Dr. Clifton H. Mix, pastor of the Pilgrim Congregational church, Worcester, officiated at the services, and also read the committal prayers at the grave. Burial was in Hope cemetery.

The following list of flowers were silent tributes which showed the esteem in which the deceased was held:

Large pillow, inscribed "Husband," from wife, wreath, marked "Father," from children, standing cross on base inscribed "Asleep," Mr. and Mrs. William Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. John E. Burnett, Mr. and Mrs. Chester Blodgett and Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Blodgett; sprays, Mr. and Mrs. Scott, Worcester; Joseph Sinn, East Cambridge; Quinsigamond Tribe No. 7, Red Men, Mr. and Mrs. Nightingale, Worcester; a friend, plique of 55 pinks, indicating age of deceased from Mr. and Mrs. Whelan, Worcester; spray of calla lilies, Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis, Mr. and Mrs. John Baker and Mrs. Jane Baker, all of Forge Village; plaques from Mr. and Mrs. Hinds and Mrs. Lund, of Millbury; Mr. and Mrs. Nordstrom, Worcester; Mrs. Chaplin and family, Worcester; Misses Edith and Sarah Precious, Forge Village; Mr. and Mrs. Troilop and family, Worcester; Mr. and Mrs. George Cotterell, Groton; Mr. and Mrs. Cooper, and Miss Bertha Whittem, of Worcester; sprays of pinks, Miss MacLean, Worcester; Mrs. S. Ashworth, Mr. Whittem and Miss Angie Whittem; sprays of roses, Mr. and Mrs. S. Adams, Worcester; Mr. and Mrs. William Blodgett, Groton; Mrs. Dinah McMurray, Forge Village; spray of wisteria, Mr. and Mrs. William Baker, Forge Village; spray of roses, Mrs. Walker and family, Worcester.

Graniteville.

The members of Court Westford, M. C. F. held a well attended and interesting meeting in their rooms on Thursday evening of last week with R. J. McCarthy, chief ranger, in the chair. Business of importance was transacted and the following commit-

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tee appointed by the chief ranger to take charge of an entertainment to be given after the next regular meeting: F. G. Sullivan, Henry Charlton and Mrs. Lena Monahan.

Miss Isabel Blanche Chandler, of East Billerica, a student of the High school, has been spending part of her vacation as the guest of her cousin, Mrs. Clara Gray.

On account of the conference recently held in Boston, there was no service held in the M. E. church on last Sunday. At the present time the new pastor has already been assigned and is expected to preach his first sermon here at the morning service on Sunday.

William L. Wall has recently been appointed deputy forest fire warden by Harry L. Nesmith, forest fire warden of Westford.

Celebrated.

Cameron Circle, F. F. of A., celebrated their eighth anniversary as an organization of Foresters by holding a whist party in Healy's hall on last Monday evening. This proved to be a very enjoyable affair, and was well attended. The winners were as follows: William Ledwith, first gentleman's prize, stick pin; Henry Harrington, second prize, an ash tray; Miss Alice Harrington, first ladies' prize, a set of gold pins; Mrs. William Robinson, first prize, a gold watch; Mrs. Gilson, consolation prize, a string of "Job's tears." During the evening refreshments consisting of ice cream and cake were served and the whole affair was voted a great social success. The affair was in charge of the following committee: Mrs. Hannah Harrington, Mrs. Elizabeth Bockingham, Mrs. Alice Gilson, Mrs. Elizabeth Harrington, Mrs. Peter Healy, Mrs. Hanson, Mrs. Maria Wall.

Baseball.

The White Sox baseball club, which was the tenant in the suburban league last season, held a meeting recently and re-organized for the coming season with J. A. Healy as manager. The captain will be chosen later. The White Sox will meet the Salem A. C. club of Lowell for their first game on the home grounds on Saturday morning, April 19, at ten o'clock.

The regular Graniteville baseball club was out for practice on last Saturday afternoon and in a game with a picked nine won handsly. Many new players were tried out, and Manager York seems highly pleased with the fine showing made and the excellent prospects for the coming season. The first regular game of the year will be played here on Saturday afternoon, April 19. The home club will have for opponents the strong South Ends of Lowell. On April 26, Graniteville will play the Tiger A. C. in Leominster, and on the Saturday following, May 3, will meet the strong C. M. A. C. team of Lowell on the home grounds.

Aside from the games mentioned above, the Sargent school team will meet the Middlesex training school team on the home grounds on Saturday morning. Judging from the present outlook everything points to a busy baseball season this year.

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SHIRLEY.

News Items. Walter Wheeler, who pitched for the Shirley baseball team at Harvard on last Saturday dislocated his elbow joint which was in place on his return to Shirley by Dr. Lilly.

The high school assembly held on last week Friday afternoon, the following program was given: Piano solo, Miss Anna Lougee; debate, "Should we have examination as the test for scholarship?" Miss Madeline Moore and Miss Sarah Stevenson, affirmative; Miss Blanche Wells and Thomas Hurrill, negative. The affirmative side was declared the winners. The judges were Miss Lena Fuller, Miss Gladys Annis and Walter Badstuber.

The Shirley A. A. baseball team were defeated by the Harvard team at Harvard on last Saturday afternoon by a score of 15 to 1. The Shirley A. A. will play the married men's team of Shirley on the Shirley baseball field on Saturday morning, April 19, at ten o'clock.

The dance held at Odd Fellows' hall on last week Friday evening by the newly organized Athletic club composed of about a score of the young men of Shirley was highly successful. They netted the sum of \$25.30.

Mr. and Mrs. Gilbert M. Ballou spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Ballou's son Verne in North Adams.

The annual meeting of the Congregational church parish was held in the church vestry on Monday evening, April 15. Mr. Allen was moderator. Four new members were admitted to membership. The report of the treasurer, Edwin H. Conant, was read and accepted; also, the report of collector, Mrs. Alice L. Wright, was accepted. The following officers and committees were chosen for the ensuing year: Joseph H. McClellan, clerk; Edwin H. Conant, treasurer; Miss Mary A. Park, auditor; John G. Conant, Eugene N. Livermore and Elmer H. Allen, parish committee; Miss Mary A. Park, Mrs. Alice L. Wright and Mrs. Edwin H. Conant, finance committee; Walter Knowles, Mrs. Cora J. Smith and Miss Althea Howe, membership committee; Miss Mary A. Park, Mrs. Bessie Collyer and Mrs. Helen McCoy, music committee.

Lieutenant-governor David I. Walsh has been secured as the speaker for commencement day exercises at the high school in June.

The high and grammar schools of this town very appropriately observed "humane day" on Tuesday with a special and pleasing program which consisted of an address by the high school principal, Miss Margaret Hastings, and readings by Miss Sarah Stevenson, Miss Mildred Day, Miss Gladys Petersen, Alfred Felch, Harry Annis and Carl Hadstuber.

The Altrurian club will hold its next meeting on Thursday afternoon, April 24, in the vestry of the Congregational church. The subject will be "Rectitude." Mrs. Henry Coolidge Muligan, of Natick, president of the Massachusetts State Federation, will be present and address the members on the above subject. Members of several nearby clubs have been invited, and the afternoon promises to be one of more than usual interest.

Tuesday and Wednesday at Ford hall. Besides attending to his important duties as leading counsel of the jurisdiction, Mr. Parsons will also represent J. C. Ayer lodge of Shirley. The grand lodge session this year promises to be one of more than ordinary interest, as a change in the assessment rates will in all probability be made at this session, and other matters of equal interest will be thrashed out. Mr. Parsons is also the advisory counsel of the church of the Holy Trinity, the auxiliary church of the A. O. U. W., and will also attend their grand lodge session, which will be held in Odd Fellows' hall, Boston, on next Thursday, consequently a week of hard work is in store for Mr. Parsons.

"The Connecting Link." Your correspondent has this week received from Miss Edith L. Conant, of Chicago, a copy of the new magazine, entitled "The Connecting Link." Miss Conant, who is the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Edwin H. Conant, has charge of the welfare department for Montgomery Ward & Co., and is also one of the associate editors of "The Connecting Link," which is published for the business inspiration of the employees of Montgomery Ward & Co., with a view also to keep the different departments in touch with each other and deals with all the problems of department store life. It also gives the employees an opportunity to express ideas and creates an incentive for expert management. It also gives notice of all promotions, and in the form of a breezy book designed to be of mutual benefit both to employer and employee, and serves as an entering wedge to bigger business.

Wedding. Michael Cotter and Miss Isabella Hanna were united in marriage at St. Anthony's church on Wednesday afternoon at one o'clock. Rev. J. H. Cote officiating. The bride was attended by Mrs. Molly Maloney, of Lexington, while her son, Harrison Maloney, acted as best man. Immediately following the ceremony the newly-wed couple quietly slipped away from their friends and were driven rapidly to Ayer. However, there was no escape for them, as when they reached the railroad station a few of their intimate friends were already there, and when the newly-wed couple hove in sight they were literally showered with rice and confetti until they boarded the train which would take them to Hartford, Conn., where they will spend their honeymoon.

The bride wore a travelling suit of brown, and no couple ever left this town who carried with them better and more of the people for happiness and prosperity.

The bride has been employed for the past fourteen years in the stitching department of the C. A. Edgarton Co., and the groom has been employed in the weaving department of the same company for the past twelve years. Upon their return to Shirley again, the latter part of next week, they will take up their residence on Church street, where they have a home nicely and attractively furnished, and where they will be pleased to meet their large circle of friends after May 1.

Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the shareholders of the Shirley Cooperative Bank was held in the Engine hall on Tuesday evening. The president, D. Chester Parsons, presided. The reports of clerk, treasurer and auditor were read and accepted.

The report of the clerk showed the following: Loans on real estate \$17,800.00 Loans on shares 1,045.00 Temporary expense 3.00 Cash in treasury 2,250.87 Depos, capital 1,264.95 Profits, capital 39.69 Guarantee fund 39.69 Surplus 222.59 Interest 5.03 Withdrawal profits 2.14 Suspense 11.00 Personal 11.00 There are 215 shareholders. The following officers were elected: D. Chester Parsons, pres.; Charles W. Marsh, Jr., W. H. Wilbur, treas.; Harry H. Lynde, Jr., James J. Frank Gregory, H. O. Peasley, W. W. Preston, John T. Smith, directors 3 years; Arthur E. Felch, director 2 years.

Center. Forrest Wing of Roxbury spent last week at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Adams, returning home on Saturday.

Miss Hazel Storer and Miss Elsie Bohner, of Nashua, were guests at the home of Mrs. Homer P. Holden, Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. P. A. Wyman, who have been spending the winter at Ayer, moved back to their summer home last Saturday for the season.

The "T. K. D." a Center girls' society, will hold a social dance in town hall on Saturday evening, April 26. Music for dancing will be furnished by piano and drum. Refreshments served.

Robert H. J. Holden of Harvard university is spending a week's vacation at the home of his mother, Mrs. Hattie P. Holden, on Horsepond road.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Moulton of Belmont were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Farnsworth at the North on Sunday.

Mrs. Herbert Sweetser and little daughter Elizabeth left on Monday for a visit with relatives in Reading and Gloucester.

Mrs. William Wilkins and daughter Florence of Woodsville, visited the Eye and Ear infirmary in Boston, Monday, for treatment of Florence's eyes.

Miss Jane Murray, who has been employed at the home of Miss Elsie Kirby, this winter, has returned to her home in Lunenburg.

The next meeting of the Girl's Sewing Guild will be held on Saturday, April 19. The place of the meeting has not yet been announced.

Miss Ruth M. Graves, who has been ill for several weeks at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Graves, returned to Fitchburg Normal school this week.

Grange Notes. A special meeting of the grange was held on Monday evening when the first and second degrees were conferred upon George E. Smith, who was unable to be present at the last regular meeting when the working of these degrees took place. After the conferring of the degrees, the fourth degree was postponed in preparation for the meeting the next evening.

On Tuesday evening a very large and successful meeting of the grange was held when the third and fourth degrees were conferred upon a class of four candidates. Fifty-five members of Shirley grange were present and about twenty-five visitors from Pepperell, Boxborough, Dracut, Westford, Lunenburg, Groton and Ayer. The conferring of both degrees went off very smoothly. A great deal of credit is due the ladies' degree team, of which Miss Margaret Evans is master, for its excellent floor work.

The fourth degree, conferred by the regular officers, was also very well done. Inspection of the grange was made by deputy Norman Peavey, of Dracut, who reported the grange to be in excellent condition. He commended the degree work very highly, saying that the secret work was practically perfect, and expressed himself as greatly pleased with the whole condition of Shirley grange.

After the degree work a bountiful harvest supper was served in the lower hall, consisting of salads, beans, cake, pie, coffee and rolls. The supper cost little. Mrs. Elizabeth Thompson, Milton, Mrs. Ida Evans and Mrs. Julia E. Holden deserve special mention for their degree work very highly, saying that the arrangement of the tables.

Arrangements are under way for the formation of a Shirley grange baseball team, as several granges have already asked for games. The lineup of the team will probably be similar to that of last year.

In the March issue of the National Grange Monthly, a complimentary article was given in its columns regarding the program of the last meeting of Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange. Mrs. Cummings is the lecturer of this Pomona grange and surely has an interesting program slated for every town that it meets in.

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A Sketch. The following sketch of St. Andrew's church and the parish may be of timely interest at this time in connection with the coming of Rev. William M. Ford, formerly of Christ church, Fitchburg, to the position of vicar of the parish. The first service took place in the lower town hall, Ayer, on October 20, 1888, and was conducted by Rev. William G. Thayer, of the Grotton School. Mr. Thayer conducted services here in connection with his work at the school until 1894, when he left to accept the rectorship of St. Mark's school, Southboro, which position he still fills. He was succeeded by Rev. Charles L. Slattery, who was vicar from 1894 to 1896. In the latter year Mr. Slattery resigned to accept the position of dean of the cathedral at Fairbairn, Minn. The next, and the first resident clergyman, was Rev. Edward H. Newbegin, who served from 1896 to 1899. In the latter year he resigned to go to St. John's church, Bangor, Me. Mr. Newbegin's successor was Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, who was the vicar for ten years, from 1900 to 1910, when he resigned to take up missionary work in Idaho. His successor was Rev. Leonard Leander, who has since been the vicar of St. Mark's church. Rev. A. L. Bumpus followed Mr. Fisher at St. Andrew's church, where he remained from the fall of 1910 to the fall of the present year, when he left for Brooklyn, N. Y., to accept a call to St. Michael's church. He was succeeded by Rev. Williston Ford, of Christ church, Fitchburg, the present vicar, who will assume his duties after a brief vacation. The corner stone of St. Andrew's church was laid in 1892, the ceremony being conducted by Rev. Edmund Peabody, of the Grotton School, who delivered the address on that occasion. He was followed by Rev. William G. Thayer, of the school, who was then the vicar. The first services in the new church took place on Christmas day, 1892. In 1898, St. Andrew's parish was formed, Forge mission being added during that year, with regular services conducted by the resident vicar of Ayer, in the mission house in Forge Village. The mission was in growth both in numbers and influence from that time to the present. Later on a mission was started in Shirley Center, where services are regularly held. St. Andrew's vicarage was built during Mr. Fisher's term and has since been the parish home. The new church from its small beginning to the present time has steadily grown in scope and influence and has been a powerful force for good in the community, which is due in a large measure to the sterling qualities of the clergymen who have been connected with it, as well as to their faithful lay members, without whose valuable cooperation such a condition might not be possible. A Decided Success. The three-act comedy drama "Red Acre Farm," was presented in Page hall on last week Friday evening before a large audience under auspices of Ayer Grange. It was the unanimous opinion of all present that it was one of the best, if not the best, amateur show that has ever been staged in town. Those who took part did exceptionally well, and it is their efforts were appreciated as shown by the frequent applause given by the audience. U. H. Barrows, in the leading role of Josiah Armstrong, the owner of Red Acre farm, played his part in his usual excellent way. Col. Barnaby Strutt was finely impersonated by E. W. Carley. Frederick T. Auld, as Jonah Jones, a farm helper, made a big hit in his part, if the applause and the laughter of the audience are any indication of it. Fred A. Smith, made an admirable Squire Harcourt, who holds a mortgage on the farm, and the part of Harry Harcourt, his prodigal son, was finely taken by C. P. Ferrin. W. C. Brown, as Dick Randall, who seeks his fortune, was very good, and the part of Tom Bushy, a travelling merchant, was very acceptably filled by F. W. Lamoreaux. Mrs. Grace Rymes, as Amanda Armstrong, and her husband, was perfectly natural in her part, which was handled in an admirable manner. Miss Letitia V. Ward, as Nellie Armstrong, driven from home, was very good. The part of Laura Armstrong was finely taken by Miss Pearl M. Carley, who deserves special mention, as she had only been rehearsing her part less than a week, owing to the illness of Mrs. Margaret Rand, who originally was to play that part. Mrs. Emma M. Wood, as Mrs. William Strutt, the colonel's wife, was as usual, very good. Junior, the adopted daughter of the Strutts, impersonated by Miss Kathryn C. Ward, was all that could be desired, and between her and Jonah, there was plenty of comedy. The drama was staged under the direction of U. H. Barrows. It might be well for organizations in other towns who are thinking of getting up an entertainment to produce this drama to repeat this successful drama for their benefit. A. O. H. Initiation. A class initiation of eight candidates was held in the town hall on last Sunday afternoon under the direction of Division 7. A. O. H., before a large gathering of local and visiting members of the order. The degree was performed by Thomas J. Drummey, of Division 29, Pepperell, assisted by the degree team of that division, and was highly commended by the local and visiting members of the order. After the initiation ceremonies supper was served. Among the guests present were John F. Donnelly, of Cambridge, state vice president, and James C. Sullivan, of Lowell, of rubber heel fame, both of whom delivered addresses. Members of the order were present from Pepperell, Leominster, Ayer, Lowell and Cambridge. A. W. C. The Woman's club had a very interesting program at its meeting Wednesday afternoon. The program was in charge of the literature department. Mrs. Clara Hill, chairman. It consisted of the reading of John Galsworthy's play, "The silver box." The play presents in a strong way many of the peculiarities of English life, and the reading was very effective. The parts were given by Mrs. Nina Beverly, Mrs. Carrie Hill, Mrs. Clara Hill, Mrs. Carrie Lynds, Miss Mary Johnson, Miss Mabel Puffer, Mrs. Ida Perkins, Miss Madollin Whitney and Mrs. Emma Wood. It furnished a very pleasant afternoon. The business meeting this nominating committee to secure officers for the coming year was chosen: Mrs. Alice Butterfield, Miss Mabel Puffer,

Mrs. Lois Porter, Miss Lois Leavitt and Mrs. Nellie Winslow. High School Concert. The sixth annual concert of the Ayer high school took place Thursday evening in the town hall in presence of a large audience of the relatives and friends of the pupils. The principal number on the program was the cantata, "Paul Revere's ride," (singer numbers by the school were "Ye, ho, gallant sailors," "There was an old woman," "The magnolia of Tennessee" and "They will be done." There was a cornet solo by Roger Lawrence, piano solo by Mona Kirtledge, chorus, "A life on the ocean wave," by the boys' quartet, "Paul Revere's ride," finely rendered by Priscilla Mullin. The soloist of the evening was James T. Spellman, and his selections were much enjoyed. They were received with enthusiasm and all received accolades to which Mr. Spellman responded. The director of the work is Miss Annie H. Palmer and the pianist, Miss Flora I. Cole, both of whom did fine work. There were twenty little programs with covers designed by the high school pupils. After the concert there was a dance until twelve o'clock. Deaths. The funeral of Mrs. Sarah Hartwell Pierce, who died in Fitchburg last Sunday, was held from the Congregational church Tuesday afternoon, the services being conducted by Rev. John E. Whitley, the pastor. Mrs. Pierce lived here for many years during the greater part of the time in following the profession of a nurse. A year and a half ago she moved to Fitchburg to make her home in the family of Mr. and Mrs. M. L. True, where she died. Mrs. True being her niece. For seven years she resided in the house of Mrs. E. H. Peabody, previous to her removing to Fitchburg. She leaves a half sister, Mrs. C. C. Wheeler of Chicago, Ill., who cared for her while she resided in Ayer. Also, a niece in Shirley, Miss Carrie H. Peabody, Mrs. Pierce was a native of Littleton and her age was ninety-three years. The bearers were Ellis B. Harlow and Holden C. Harlow, both of Ayer, and M. L. True of Fitchburg. The interment was at Woodlawn cemetery. Mrs. Frances M. (Wright), widow of the late Leander W. Cummings, died on Wednesday morning, April 16, at her home in Fitchburg, at the age of 77 yrs. 11 mos. 6 days. Mrs. Cummings had been a resident of Fitchburg for the past thirty-five years. She was born at Brookline, N. H., on May 10, 1835, the daughter of Col. Artemus and Mary (MacDonald) Wright, later residents of this town. Mrs. Cummings spent her girlhood in Brookline and married Leander W. Cummings in 1853. Immediately after her marriage she removed to Townsend with Mr. Cummings, where they resided six years. They then removed to Keene, N. H., where they made their home for the succeeding twenty years. Mrs. Cummings went to Fitchburg in 1878, at which time her husband became owner and proprietor of the American house. She is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Walter G. Corey of Fitchburg, and four grandchildren, Miss Helen H. Corey, Paul Cummings and Fred T. Cummings, all of Fitchburg, and Mrs. Geo. W. Platts of Troy, N. H. A son, Fred L. Cummings, died nine years ago. She also leaves one great granddaughter, Barbara Platts of Troy, and two sisters, Mrs. Silas Morgan of Ayer, where she was frequent visitor when her parents were alive and since their death her sister, and Mrs. E. L. Worrick of Waltham. The funeral will be held at her late home in Fitchburg Saturday afternoon. News Items. E. A. Whitney reported to chief of police Beatty Tuesday morning that a buffalo robe had been stolen from his stable some time Monday night. The chief at once went to work on the case and is still trying to locate the thief or the stolen property. Mrs. L. H. Merchant of Cambridge, who has been visiting in Peabody, has returned to her home Tuesday afternoon. Douglas C. Smith has charge of the work of resurfacing one side of Columbia street from Main street to Central avenue, with trap rock. Mrs. Elizabeth B. Patterson, who has been at the Massachusetts General hospital in Boston, for treatment for the past few weeks, has returned to her home in Milford, N. H. Harvey W. Winslow left for Wilder, Vt., last Sunday on account of the death of his wife's father, Walter H. Bailey. Mrs. Winslow had gone before her husband to her parents' home. H. A. Bixby has resumed his duties as conductor of the Salem passenger train after several days absence, on account of an injury to his foot caused by a heavy box falling on it in the express car attached to the train through which he was passing. Warren Winslow and George Parker returned last Sunday from their trip to Washington, D. C. Mrs. H. A. Downing has as her guest this week Mrs. A. A. Dadmun of Leominster. Wallace G. Kittredge returned to his studies at Dartmouth college Wednesday, after a vacation spent at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Kittredge of Park street. The moving picture show given by Pauline brothers in Page hall on Saturday evening was considered by many to be the best yet given. In addition to the regular five reels there was an extra reel of pictures of the inauguration exercises of President Wilson at Washington, D. C., last month. This picture was one of the finest ever seen anywhere and the interest throughout its presentation was intense. The election of Rev. Williston M. Ford of Fitchburg as vicar of St. Andrew's parish makes the sixth clergyman who has been connected with it since the first services were held. Mrs. Lucy P. Evans, of Grotton, has been a recent visitor with Mrs. Ida M. Fletcher of this town. The Edward Everett Hale club will meet with Norman Fletcher at the home of his mother, Mrs. Ida M. Fletcher, on Monday evening, April 21, at 7.30. The subject for debate will be "Should a private citizen feed tramps?" Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wyman, who occupy rooms in the bank block through the winter, returned to their summer home in Shirley Center on last Saturday. A carload of Studebaker "25" and "28" arrived this week for the Ayer Auto Station. They are beauties with the latest electrical features of electric lights and electric self-starter. Rev. Oliver J. Fairfield, of Littleton, will preach in the Unitarian church on Sunday, April 20, at three o'clock.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker went to Turners Falls on Tuesday and addressed the Woman's club of that place upon "The Montague system." She took with her a portion of the apparatus to illustrate her talk. Archibald McDonald, who has been employed as engineer with the Haynes-Piper Company for the past two weeks, returning to Ayer from Fall River about four weeks ago, has fallen heir to about \$5000 and a 200-acre farm in Antigonish, N. S., by the recent death of an uncle who had a life lease on the farm and the income from the \$5000 that was so arranged by the father of Archibald McDonald, John McDonald, of Antigonish, while Archibald McDonald was in Fall River, a letter was received by Officer Beatty in February to locate Mr. McDonald by those who had the settling of the estate. It is the intention of Mr. McDonald to go to Antigonish in July or August and take possession of the property. The Unitarian Woman's Alliance held a very successful neighborhood meeting Thursday afternoon in the vestry of the church. Guests were Mrs. E. G. Dunckley, Miss Hattie Whitcomb, Mrs. L. C. Grotton and Peppereil. The program included a fine address upon James Whitcomb Riley with readings from his works by Rev. O. J. Fairfield of Littleton. The music was vocal selections by the Alliance quartet, Mrs. Carrie Bigelow, Mrs. Clara Burns, Mrs. Arthur Fenner and Mrs. Ruth Sherman, with Mrs. Avis Fisher accompanist. Refreshments were served by Mrs. Bigelow, Mrs. Ida Perkins, Mrs. E. G. Dunckley, Miss Hattie Whitcomb, Mrs. L. C. Grotton, Mrs. Stella Farnsworth and Mrs. Fred Morrison. The Y. P. R. U. meets Sunday evening at six. Miss Pauline Sherwin will be the leader. At the Y. P. R. U. on Sunday evening, the leader was Norman Fletcher. After the regular program there was a very interesting talk by Rev. Eugene M. Grant. The condition of Mrs. Benj. Taft is not very much improved. She is still a very sick woman and under the constant care of Dr. Bulkeley and Miss Ryan, a trained nurse. Mrs. Wm. G. Gilman and two children in Providence, R. I., who have been visiting a week with her sister, Mrs. R. M. Cahoon, returned to that city Thursday afternoon. E. O. Proctor received last week three new Buicks and they can be seen at his garage. They are well worth looking over, as they are the latest made by this well-known company. Attention is called to the advertisement in this paper of the savings banks in this vicinity calling in their books for verification and that less than two weeks now remain for the closing of the books of deposit and all having books are requested to present them at an early date. An exemplification of the Masonic blue lodge degrees will be held in the Masonic temple, Lowell, May 3, at two p. m. The work assigned to the Blue Lodge for the first section of the Entered Apprentice degree and St. Paul lodge is to work the second and third sections of the same degree and the lecture of first section of this degree. Col. S. W. Nickerson of Winthrop, who recently purchased the "Homes in the Woods" program, has moved into it. He has several attendants, including a butler and his wife, who is the cook, and two secretaries. Fred H. Jenkins will have charge of the grounds, which will keep him busy these days in the new home. Paul Weber of Grotton is the new night watchman at the Haynes-Piper cider mill. Mrs. J. W. Thomas is expected home from Cambridge on Friday or Saturday of this week, where she has been visiting with her daughter, Mrs. L. H. Merchant. T. F. Mullin purchased the Hosley place on upper Washington street at the auction on last Saturday for \$805. At the last meeting of Ayer Junction Aerie, F. O. E., William P. Fitzgerald, Michael F. Fitzgerald and Martin Scullane were elected delegates to the state convention at Worcester which begins on May 6. A mission will be given by the Visitation order at St. Mary's church beginning Sunday, April 27. The Ayer high school baseball team will open the season with a game with Bromfield school, Harvard, in that town on this Saturday morning. The following games have been arranged: April 30, Littleton at Ayer. May 1, Pepperell at Peppereil. May 15, Westford at Ayer. May 27, Peppereil at Ayer. May 28, Grotton at Ayer. June 1, Ayer at Westford. June 7, Bromfield school at Ayer. June 14, Grotton at Grotton. The Boston and Maine railroad employees will soon begin laying the new rails on upper Washington street at the division between Ayer and North Chelmsford. The new rails are already along the line of road. The substitution of the new rails for the old ones is due to the heavy traffic over this line of track, and to the consequent wear and tear resulting from it. John H. Whitcomb is having a new street made from Fletcher street to the tannery pond, passing the entire distance through his land. Mrs. Emma Wood, Miss Whitaker, Fred A. Smith, Chester Perrin, Henry F. Robbins and Frederick T. Auld, visiting Shirley, grange on Tuesday evening and witnessed the working of the third and fourth degrees, and which was also inspection night. The feature picture for this Saturday evening at Page hall will be "The vengeance of Durand." The rest of the show will be given as usual, and George Connors, of Clinton, will sing some of the latest popular songs. As an extra attraction, Kelley and Foley, juvenile entertainers of Boston, will appear. Special mention was made of the death of Mrs. Emily Fifield, of Northchester, for thirty years secretary of the National Alliance and a review of her work and personality was read by Mrs. Harriet H. Bixby at the meeting of the Alliance neighborhood meeting on Thursday. Rev. Clyde L. Nevins will speak at the head of the St. Mary's Brook "The test of faith," at the Methodist church. The Sunday evening congregation are growing steadily. Many young people are enjoying the inspiration of a bright, helpful hour. The pastor invites more of the young people without church homes to join the Methodist church on Sunday evening. The topic is "Poor soil." Grange. Thursday evening was Patriots' night at the grange and exercises appropriate to the occasion were given. The program was given by Miss Marion Winslow; "Barbara Fritchie," Kenneth Kennison; a sketch of the life of J. P. Morgan, Mrs. Carrie Williams; "Paul Revere's ride," Edward Rymes; piano solo, Miss May Briggs;

duet, "Star Spangled Banner," Mrs. Grace Rymes and Leroy Smith, accompanied by Miss Marion Winslow on the piano. The business meeting which preceded the exercises, one applicant was voted favorably upon and three applications were received. At the next meeting, on May 1, the state master, Charles M. Gardner, is to be held and the business meeting, which is to be open to the public after a short business meeting. Mr. Gardner is a fine speaker and it is hoped that a large number will avail themselves of hearing him, both members of the grange and the townspeople in general. Old Folks' Concert. The Congregational society will give an old folks' concert at Page hall, Thursday evening, April 24. Following is the program in part: Part one—"Sound the loud timbrel," chorus and instruments; (a) "North-bled," chorus; (b) "Devotion," chorus; "Riding the boat," Mrs. Miss Hardy; "Anvil chorus," chorus; "Old wooden bucket," chorus; "Three blind mice, four men," chorus; "Jerusalem my glorious home," chorus; "Tolly, the cows are in the corn," Miss Sargent; "Yankee Doodle chorus," "Benben and Rachel," Mrs. Sanders and Mr. Bliss; (a) "Sherborn," chorus; (b) "Lenox," chorus; symphony orchestra, led by Prof. L. Blinkey; "Flow gently sweet Afton," mixed chorus; "Old John Cross," quartet; "Strike the cymbal," chorus with solo; Mrs. Bliss; "Auld Lang Syne," chorus. District Court. John Morrissey and James Morrissey, both of Ashton, R. I., are arraigned before Judge W. H. C. Adams and their cases were placed on file on last Saturday morning. John E. Hurley, John F. Coburn, Mark Moore and Leonard Bowler were brought into court by Chief Magistrate on Thursday morning. Hurley and Bowler were charged with disturbing the peace. They were found guilty and their cases filed upon payment of the expenses of the case of \$1.90 each. Moore and Adolphus Gates, of Grotton, was adjudged insane on Wednesday morning and committed to the Worcester asylum. Accident. Thomas H. Griffin was seriously injured on Wednesday morning on West Main street near the house of Mrs. Catherine Markham, by being struck by the Ayer trolley electric car from Fitchburg due here at 9.55 o'clock. Mr. Griffin, who is a well-known milkman, was about his work as usual on the morning of the accident, and was driving his team diagonally across the track, the team facing toward Shirley. The scene of the accident is at the foot of a very steep grade coming down from the overhead bridge, on which the electric car runs. The trolley was on the electric car tracks. In addition to this there is a very sharp curve in the electric car tracks at this point, which tends to make the place more or less dangerous. The car came down the grade at good speed and crashed into the rear end of the milk wagon in which Mr. Griffin was riding, just as the wagon was about to clear the track. Upon seeing that an accident was unavoidable, he tried to jump from the wagon, but in doing so he failed to get clear of the vehicle, which was overturned, pinning Mr. Griffin to the ground. The horse started to run, but stopped after going a short distance in front of the house occupied by John Deaverney. Mr. Griffin's brother Michael, who is also a milkman, who witnessed the accident, and the neighbors rushed to the assistance of the injured man. He was picked up by Dr. Hopkins, the doctor, who took him to his home in Harvard, where he received treatment. An examination showed that Mr. Griffin had received multiple cuts and abrasions on the side and face, two fractured ribs on the right side, a badly sprained right shoulder, and a severe shaking up. It was thought at first that he might be internally injured, but indications at present are quite favorable in that respect. Mr. Griffin suffers considerable pain, but the attending physician sees no reason, unless unforeseen complications arise, but that he will entirely recover, although not for a considerable time. The wagon in which the injured man was riding, was one of the regulation drop axle, covered, with doors on either side, which makes it hard to escape in case of an accident. The glass in the wagon was broken and there was more or less damage done. The milk cans and milk were also scattered about. Much sympathy is expressed for Mr. Griffin, who although a resident of Harvard, is widely known here, where he has done business for many years. His many friends hope for his complete recovery before long. LITTLETON. News Items. Fred O. Stiles, one of the most enterprising orchardists of that town, recently bought of W. R. Carver, of Westford and Boston, one of the largest orchards in this part of the country. Situated on the state road from Lowell to Worcester, it comprises an area of fifteen or more acres of land, and is set out to an orchard of over 1100 apple trees of early varieties, including Astrachans, Early Williams, Gravensteins, McIntosh Reds and Duchess. The deal was made through Ryan Brothers' real estate agency of Lowell. Walter Worcester returned to Clark college, Worcester, on Sunday evening for the last term of his senior year. Miss Margaret Thatcher left home on Monday to visit friends in Boston and vicinity. She has been the guest of Miss Gladys Lawton in Boston. Mrs. Richard H. Russell, of Westford, and Mrs. Ralph Conant in Water-town. Rev. H. L. Packard exchanged with Rev. F. H. Viets, of Boxborough on last Sunday. Mrs. Charles Gordon and two daughters, of Newton, were week-end guests of Mr. and Mrs. P. L. Brown. Mr. and Mrs. Henry S. Brown, of Boston, recently visited their relatives in Littleton. Supt. Frank H. Hill and son Ralph returned on Sunday evening from Portland, Me., where they went to attend the funeral of a cousin, professor of law in Kansas university. Mrs. Horace Amsden came from her winter quarters in Lexington last week. She is at her home in Pingry-

ville, packing some of her goods preparatory to moving to Lexington, where she will live among relatives. Previous to making her departure there will be an auction sale at the Pingryville homestead. Harry Wilson, the well-known driver of Stoddard, N. H., who makes semi-annual trips to Littleton, driving herds of cattle up country in the spring, and back in the fall, met with a serious accident on last week Thursday afternoon. As he was driving with John Pingrey, near Lake Nagog, the horse became terribly frightened by a motor bicycle, and gave a sudden leap toward the rider. Mr. Wilson jumped from the carriage going backward, and fell, hitting his head and receiving a severe blow. Mr. Pingrey took him to his home in Pingryville and called Dr. Hopkins. He also telephoned to Mr. Wilson's family in New Hampshire, and his mother and a cousin came to Littleton the following day to care for him. Mr. Wilson is recovering from his injuries, and it is hoped that he will be eventually as good as new. Mrs. A. W. Knowlton, county secretary and local treasurer of the King's Daughters, and Mrs. Everett Kimball, president of the Forget-not-circle, attended the Middlesex county convention of King's Daughters and Sons held in Medford on Thursday, April 17, and spent the night with the former's sister, Mrs. Ball, in Woburn. Arthur Wright, of Allston, spent last week Friday with his daughter, Mrs. William Dodds, and family on Great road. The visit served a double purpose—of celebrating his daughter's birthday, and making the acquaintance of his new granddaughter. He tells us that his son Harry, trainman on the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine road, has been at home with rheumatism since last January. Littleton people will not be surprised to learn that Heywood Knowlton is one of the honor boys in the senior class at Worcester academy, and that he has won a scholarship. In addition to this, Dr. Abercrombie, the principal, speaks in highest terms of the scholarship and department, and expresses his pride in graduating so promising a young man from the institution. All roads lead to the Backlog sunset party in the town hall this afternoon, where the children will begin their festivities at 4.30. Mrs. Grotton at the piano. Supper at 6.30, after which the Hibbard orchestra, of Lowell, will play for dancing from 7.30 to 11.30 o'clock. Miss Gladys Kimball is now a junior nurse in a private ward in St. Luke's hospital in New Bedford. The Woman's Alliance accepted an invitation to attend the neighborhood Alliance meeting in Ayer on Thursday afternoon. Rev. O. J. Fairfield will meet the Westford academy boys on the Westford diamond today. HARVARD. Still River. Vera and Luther Willard visited their aunt, Miss Laura Brown, at West Acton, Monday, and attended the children's entertainment of the Woman's club of that village. Last Saturday Mrs. Emma J. Parker attended the Ysae violin recital at Symphony hall, Boston. Mrs. L. H. Morse is visiting relatives in Worcester. Mrs. Carrie Nourse is sick with bronchitis, but is now on the road to recovery. Her daughter, Mrs. Fred Stone, of Hudson, is with her. The Tuesday club met with Miss Katherine Lawrence on this evening after the reading the Ladies' Benevolent society held a business meeting. Malcolm Campbell was home from Amherst Agricultural college over Sunday. He has recently been on a trip to points in New York and New Jersey with the college club of which he is a member, and has given concerts nearly every night and had a fine time. The San Jose scale is spreading fast among the orchards of this vicinity and Fred Whitney of Harvard has been doing quite a business spraying the trees with germicides to try and conquer the pests. Received a Letter. The Russells have received a long letter from their daughter, Mrs. Richard Sheafe, of New Comerstown, Ohio, which gives a very accurate account of the flood in their district. Their house is on land that was never known to be covered with water, so that they felt perfectly safe, but during the day the water rose several feet on their land and they moved their piano to a neighbors on higher land and went there for the night. In the morning the water was about two feet deep on the first floor of their house, their pigs were standing in water and some of their poultry were drowned. Mr. Sheafe waded out to the pigs and brought them to dry land and they suffered no serious loss. Some of the surrounding farms were greatly damaged by being covered with sand several feet deep, but the Sheafe's farm had but very little and apparently crops not much damaged. The letter is being read to the people of the village, who all appreciate the courtesy of Mrs. Russell in allowing them to do so, and to get first hand account of the great calamity. New Advertisements. BOARD OF SELECTMEN. Notice is hereby given under Chapter 100, Revised Laws, that William Brown has applied for a sixth class license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises numbered 22 Main Street, first floor and basement. ELISHA D. STONE, Chairman. Ayer, Mass., April 14, 1913. 2152. BOARD OF SELECTMEN. Notice is hereby given under Chapter 100, Revised Laws, that George H. Hill has applied for a sixth class license to sell intoxicating liquors at a drugist at No. 7 Page's Block, Ayer, Mass., first floor, and basement for storage. ELISHA D. STONE, Chairman. Ayer, Mass., April 14, 1913. 2152. TEN DOLLARS REWARD—For return of Buffalo Robe taken from WHITNEY'S STABLE, Ayer, April 15. No questions asked. LOST—A Gold Bracelet, chased on one side, April 11. 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Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to MICHAEL J. O'NEALEY, of Leominster in the County of Worcester without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of April, A. D. 1913, 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 Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on one day at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this third day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. 3130 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

HOLLIS, N. H.

New Items. The young boy who arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George F. Hills on April 10, is named Arthur Goodwin Hills.

Mrs. Mary S. Powers entertained the members of the Anna Keyes Power chapter, D. A. R., at her home on last Saturday afternoon. The program was a paper given by Miss Abbie Flagg, of Boston.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Patch, of the Bell farm, left on Sunday for a vacation of eight days. Mr. Patch has been foreman of Mr. Bey's farm for the past two years, but for the past few weeks has been in charge of the milk house.

Charles Bell, Jr., has given up driving on the milk route in Pepperell, and is working on the Bell farm.

Rev. Robert M. French, of Tolland, Conn., preached on last Sunday as a candidate of the Hollis church. A meeting of the church was held on Monday evening to consider giving him a call. The meeting was called to order by the clerk, Miss L. E. Read, and M. J. Powers was elected as moderator. The chairman of the supply committee read commendatory letters which he had received concerning Mr. French. The meeting then took an informal ballot as to the choice of the members. Every vote was in favor of calling him. This was made the formal vote of the meeting. He is called at a salary of \$1000 a year and the parsonage.

The Hollis Woman's club met on Thursday afternoon of last week with Mrs. Anna A. Hill. The program consisted of roll call, responded to by the members present by giving commendatory letters. The paper of the afternoon was given by Miss Lily R. Eaton on "Some of the evils threatening our republic." This was followed by a reading.

The John H. Worcester W. R. C. give their play "The mistake of Minerva," for which they have been rehearsing, on Saturday evening, April 19, in the town hall.

Miss Lottie Leslie, who has spent the winter in Worcester and Fitchburg, Mass., has returned to her home in West Hollis.

Robert Leslie had the misfortune to injure one of his hands recently, badly that it required the attention of the doctor.

Word was received by relatives on last Sunday of the death of Dea. John C. Foster, whose home was on Federal hill, Milford. Deacon Foster was in his active years one of the prominent men of Milford, but has been confined to his home several years through the infirmities of years, being about ninety years old. He was well-known in Hollis, as he married in 1845, Miss Sophia P. Farley, of this town, and during her life he frequently attended social affairs in town besides visiting their friends. His funeral was held from his late home on Wednesday afternoon.

The Odd Fellows of Hollis will observe the ninety-fourth anniversary of the Odd Fellowship in America on Thursday evening, April 24, at Hollis town hall. Supper will be served by the Woman's club from six to eight o'clock, after which there will be an entertainment in the upper hall, given by the Ida E. Day concert company, of Boston, consisting of music and readings. A short address will be given by Grand Representative Charles S. Emerson, of Milford. At the close of the entertainment there will be a short march for the young people.

At the meeting of the L. S. C. Branch of the National Alliance held in Pepperell on Friday, Miss Ruth D. Rogers of this town gave an interesting paper on "Church union vs. federation."

BROOKLINE, N. H.

Current Events. Spring has come again and many changes are being made. John Martin has sold his farm and moved to Pepperell, and James Hill and family are moving soon. Frank Austin has moved back onto his farm and Mr. Fessenden and family will occupy the tenement in the Frank Gilman house. Mrs. Ellen Sweet will soon move to her new home on Bond street. The Thomas farm near Willoughby farm is again vacant. Mrs. Edward Hadley and son, Ralph Hadley, expect to spend the summer months in Nova Scotia instead of at their summer cottage, on Milford street, as they have done for several years.

Mrs. Mary Jane Bosworth, although ninety years old, is enjoying the spring days calling upon her many friends. During the cold winter months she has not been idle. Five beautiful sofa pillows have been completed by her busy hands, besides many other pieces of fancy work, besides doing quite a bit of housework.

O. D. Fessenden is to make some changes at his mill in South Brookline.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith has returned from her visit of several weeks in Massachusetts.

Charles Stickney and L. S. Powers have been cutting off a woodlot at South Brookline.

Mr. Goodleaf, of Hollis, is taking down the old George Brooks mill which he purchased of Mr. Ayer, and will take it to Hollis.

Mr. and Mrs. Campbell have returned from their week's visit at Woodsville, N. H. Wells River, N. H., and showed Mr. C. Q. They found the weather much cooler than here, and they saw one lake where the ice had not broken up. While away they remembered their many friends with pretty souvenir cards.

Mr. and Mrs. Gove have returned to town and will remain with Delbert Porter and family this summer.

Several couples went to Nashua on Tuesday evening and were initiated into the secrets of the Rebekah lodge.

Miss Hooper, of Nashua, has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. Myrtle Rockwood. Mrs. Ellen Rockwood expects to visit at Milford and Wilton this week.

John Quade is very ill with bronchial pneumonia at the Elmwood, and Mrs. Lillian Peabody, the landlady, has had another poor turn and is quite feeble.

Louis Lapointe, a former clerk at W. E. Corey's store, has returned from Mexico and is assisting at the Elmwood.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis Lawrence have gone to Katoonah, N. Y., to attend the marriage of their sister, Miss Bertha M. Lawrence, to Dr. Harry M. Park, D. D. S., of Mt. Kisco, N. Y. Grange.

The question at the local grange for discussion on last week Wednesday was "What things are most essential for the improvement of our town?" During the discussion a stone crusher was mentioned, and Ar-

thur Goss thought a village improvement society would be of great assistance, several towns being mentioned where an improvement society had built up the town to a certain extent. As a substitute for Clarence Russell, Mrs. Russell gave a brief but interesting history of the town. The industries, past and present, by David Fessenden, were interesting. He can remember when barrels were conveyed to Boston with ox teams. One instance which he remembered very plainly was when he visited the old tannery, that stood near the Bond street bridge, and owned by Ensign Badley, with his father, and Mr. Badley called one of the tan vats. Mr. Fessenden was a stranger at the time, but the incident is still fresh in his memory. Many more interesting items were told by Mr. Fessenden which space forbids our reporting. Prophecies of the town for the future were given by Mrs. Mary Barber, and surely gave an outline of what Brookline might do. A program of reading and musical selections followed.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To Della Riley of Watertown, Benjamin F. Robbins, Benjamin F. Robbins, Jr. of Groton, and Somerville both in said County of Middlesex, Everett L. Runey of New York in the State of New York, Maurice L. Runey of Portsmouth in the State of New Hampshire and John E. Runey of residence unknown.

FRANK R. RUNEY of Somerville in the County of Middlesex, has presented to said Court a petition, representing that he holds as tenant-in-common an undivided interest, or share of certain real estate lying in Pepperell in said County of Middlesex, and described in said petition, and, as said real estate cannot be advantageously divided, praying that partition may be made among the tenants-in-common in said real estate, and that the commissioners who may be appointed to make said partition be ordered to make said partition and conveyance of said real estate and to distribute the net proceeds thereof.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the fifth day of May, A. D. 1913, 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 ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested, who can be found within the Commonwealth, fourteen days at least, before said Court, and to cause to be so found, 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 on one day at least, before said Court.

Witness Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. 3132 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of WILLIAM T. SCHUYER late of Pepperell in said County of Middlesex, deceased, Intestate.

Whereas a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, and it is shown that FRANCIS G. HAYES who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the fifth day of May, A. D. 1913, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on one day at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. 3131 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

Verification of Savings Bank Books The attention of the Depositors in the following Savings Banks is hereby called to the provision of Section 43 of Chapter 590 of the Acts of 1908, requiring Verification of the Books of Deposit during the present year; and they are respectfully requested to hand or send in their books, for this purpose, during the months of March and April. Worcester North Savings Institution, Fitchburg Leominster Savings Bank Fitchburg Savings Bank Clinton Savings Bank Winchendon Savings Bank Athol Savings Bank North Middlesex Savings Bank, Ayer

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

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be a last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by WALID L. LYONS who prays that letters testamentary be issued to him, the executor therein named.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twelfth day of May A. D. 1913, 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 in each week for three successive weeks, in the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, of the publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing post-paid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-first day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of HELEN M. ALLEN, late of Keene, in the County of Cheshire, and State of New Hampshire, deceased, or in the personal property hereinafter described, and to the said Commissioner for said Commonwealth.

Whereas SUSAN M. BARKER appointed administratrix of the estate of said deceased, by the Probate Court for the County of Cheshire in the State of New Hampshire has presented to said Court her petition representing that as such administratrix she is entitled to certain personal property situated in said Commonwealth to wit: two lots in Worcester, New Savings Institution of Fitchburg and North Middlesex Savings Bank of Ayer, and praying that she may be licensed to receive or sell by public or private sale on such terms and to such person or persons as she shall think fit—or otherwise to dispose of and to transfer and convey such estate.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of April A. D. 1913, 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 ordered to serve this citation by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, three days before said Court, and by delivering a copy of said citation to the Tax Commissioner for said Commonwealth fourteen days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirty-first day of March in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES RICHARDSON late of Groton 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 GEORGE H. BIRBY of Groton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of April A. D. 1913, 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 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.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

TOWNSEND

Center. Albert Turner has returned home from his winter quarters at Orlando, Fla. Mrs. Turner stopped off at Boston to see her new grandson...

Miss Bessie Eastman and friend, Miss Thomas, of Dover, were at J. W. Eastman's over last Saturday and Sunday.

Bert Gourley, of Boston, is at his mother's this week.

Mrs. K. Frances Plagg, who has been with her daughter, Mrs. Winnifred Plagg Simonds, at Lowell, returned home last Sunday after several weeks' stay.

Mr. Cameron, of the Frazar farm, moved his goods to Concord this week.

The North Star lodge conferred the third degree upon a class of candidates on Wednesday evening and a supper was furnished by the Rebekahs afterward.

A party of Odd Fellows from here are intending to take in this Saturday's celebration of the anniversary of the founding of Odd Fellowship to be held at Worcester.

Roy Brown moved his family and household goods to the Allen place at Old City this week, where he will reside for the present.

Harry Winchester has received word that his brother Charley, who visited here from Vermont last summer, is very ill with pneumonia, and Mr. Winchester expects to be called home any time.

G. Paul Smith, the well-known impersonator, is visiting his friend, Prof. A. G. Seaver.

The following interesting program was given at the grange on Monday evening: Quotation; song; current events; topic "Citizenship," ten minute papers; "The responsibility of living in a republic," F. B. Higgins, read by Mrs. Higgins; "The ideal citizen," T. E. Flarity; "The duties of a patron to his party," Galen A. Proctor; song; Frank Woods; reading, Lilla M. Seaver; songs.

The Sep-tem club met on last Thursday with Mrs. George Gates, and a very pleasant day was spent. They had a Patriots' day dinner and a tiny flag was at each plate.

Miss Merriam, of Fitchburg, was a guest at Mr. and Mrs. Levi Stevens' over last night. Mr. and Mrs. Stevens have recently moved here from Lunenburg and are occupying the John Spaulding house.

A telegram arrived here from Great Falls, Mont., on Wednesday by Byron Laws, telling of the sudden death of his son, James Eugene Laws, M. L. Laws left Townsend several years ago, soon after leaving school. He was twenty-two years old. The remains will probably be sent on from Great Falls to Townsend. Another son, Clarence Laws, who was a mortician at Lowell, died of diphtheria this early winter.

Miss Mary Ann Tarbell, aged seventy years, who has been employed in town as housekeeper for a few years, died on Tuesday at the home of Mrs. Jacob Aspinwall, where she had been taken during the last part of her illness to be cared for. Prayers were held at Mrs. Aspinwall's on Thursday morning and the body was taken to Mason, N. H., where the funeral was held on Thursday afternoon. Miss Tarbell having lived there before coming here.

T. E. Flarity, d. d., inspected the grange at Berlin on Wednesday evening.

George Diamond's fruit team, of Greenville, which had been left standing near the common fence for some time, Thursday morning, became entangled with the common fence, the passing of a large motor truck, which frightened the horse. There was an exciting time for a few minutes.

The personal property of the late Mrs. Harlan E. Greene was sold at auction on the premises at Berlin, on a line street residence on last Saturday afternoon. As far as is learned the house has not yet been sold.

West. Mrs. Mary Welch, who with her daughter, Miss Alice Welch, has been visiting relatives in Everett, has returned to C. R. Morgan's, but her daughter will continue her visit.

Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Green, from Portland, Me., have taken one of the Foster farms on the Ashby road.

W. Z. Sherwin, John Powers and Clarence Sherwin, who have been employed doing carpentering in Worcester this spring, have completed their work and returned home on Tuesday.

Mrs. Alvin Phillips, of Temple, N. H., is a guest of Miss Emily Cutting this week.

The Ladies' Study club will hold their last meeting of the season at the reading-room on Wednesday evening in form of a social with light refreshments.

Rev. S. D. Ringrose of the Baptist church has been appointed to deliver the address on Sunday evening before Memorial day at the union service in Memorial hall at the Center.

The Knights of the White Shield held their business meeting and election of officers in the Baptist vestry on Tuesday evening, with fourteen in attendance. It was voted to hold parent's night on next Tuesday evening at the vestry.

Clarence Sherwin and family, who have been with Mrs. W. Z. Sherwin for a few months, have returned to their home at the Center.

The Ladies' Mission Circle met with the president, Mrs. S. D. Ringrose at the parsonage on Wednesday afternoon. Nine were present and the annual election of officers took place. Mrs. S. D. Ringrose was chosen president; Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman, v. p.; Mrs. Herman W. Lawrence, sec.; Mrs. Fred A. Patch, treas.

Mrs. Burton Bruce, from Boston, is with Mrs. Oren Bruce at her farm on the Ashby road, assisting her in her preparations to move to the Center.

Charles Donley, who has been quite ill at his home with an attack of the grip, has resumed his duties at I. P. Sherwin's store.

Mrs. William Robbins, of Josselynville, has been confined to her home with a severe cold.

Walter Weston and family have moved from Winthrop to their house in Josselynville, formerly the Simon Francis place, which has been thoroughly modernized.

Belle Lovring, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Oscar Lovring, has been spending a few days with relatives in Leominster.

Miss Ida Hughes, who has been boarding with Miss M. Elinor Tower, and attending school here, has returned to her home in Brookline, N. H.

Mrs. E. R. Brayton and son Randall left last Saturday morning for their home in Providence, R. I.

James Bell, of Sudbury, spent the week-end with his family in the village.

Clarence Rawson, of Fitchburg, is visiting his mother, Mrs. Herman L. Stokely.

Mrs. Byron Steele and little son Ernest, who have been visiting Mrs. Fred A. Patch, have gone to Sterling for a few days' visit.

Club Meeting. The Ladies' Study club held their last meeting of the season at the reading-room on Thursday evening of last week with an attendance of nine members. The annual business meeting and election of officers was held with the president, Mrs. Charles Hodgman, presiding, and the following officers and committees were elected: Mrs. George A. Seaver, pres.; Mrs. Emily J. Lees, v. p.; Mrs. Fred A. Patch, sec. and treas.; Miss Alice Seaver, Miss Emma H. Adams, Mrs. Mary Heath, program com. The next and closing meeting will be a social affair held at the home of one of the members in charge of the program committee, the time and place to be announced later. Current events was discussed by the various members, and the remainder of the evening was passed in a most interesting manner.

Economy Begins at Home. There is so much talk about economy and conservation today that it impresses upon us all the more forcibly that economy should begin at home. You and your neighbors can start economizing at once by forming a Larkin Club-of-Ten, and buying your household supplies, such as Soaps, Teas, Spices, Notions, Toilets and Pharmaceutical Preparations, direct from Larkin Co. Dealing with them gives you just twice as much for your money as you can get at the store. You can take what you save in the form of extra household supplies, or in the form of Premium Merchandise, of which there are 1,500 to select from. You will also get a lot of enjoyment out of your Larkin Club-of-Ten, as the meetings can be made occasions for little social gatherings, luncheons, picnics, etc. If you will write to Larkin Co., Buffalo, N. Y., and as them for their large Catalog R 26, they will be very glad to send it to you. This Catalog describes their plan in detail.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator of the estate of SUSAN M. WILLIAMS, late of Harvard in the County of Worcester, deceased, intestate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bonds, as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to HARRIS W. FLEMING, Admr., Brockton, March 29th, 1913. 3132

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of CALVIN RICHARDSON late of Pepperell in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to FRANK D. COOK of Nashua in the County of Rockingham, without giving a surety on his bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the sixth day of May A. D. 1913, 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 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.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this first day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

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Resources. Loans and Discounts \$218,371.41
Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 263.73
U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 100,000.00
Bonds, securities, etc. 62,172.88
Banking house, Furniture, and fixtures 1,000.00
Due from approved Reserve Bank 29,905.70
Checks and other Cash Items 1,924.74
Notes of other National Banks 3,357.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and Cents 15.05
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank 5,000.00
Specie \$9,321.00
Legal-tender notes 6,000.00
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (6 percent of circulation) 2,000.00
Total \$438,231.51

Liabilities. Capital stock paid in \$100,000.00
Surplus fund 20,000.00
Undivided Profits less Excess of assets and Taxes paid 19,816.41
National Bank Notes Outstanding 100,000.00
Individual deposits subject to check 188,355.10
Bills payable, including certificates of deposit for money borrowed 10,000.00
Total \$438,231.51

State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss: I, Henry A. Hill, Cashier of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. HENRY A. HILL, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before me this ninth day of April, 1913. E. Alonzo Blood, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: Clarence Stickney, J. W. Eastman, Chas. B. Stickney, Directors.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE IN GROTON, MASS.

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by William A. Chase of Groton, in the County of Middlesex, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, to Asa S. Lawrence of said Groton, dated January 23d, 1886, and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds in book 1735, page 579, will be sold at public auction upon the premises below described on Monday, the twenty-eighth day of April, A. D. 1913, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, and therein described as follows:

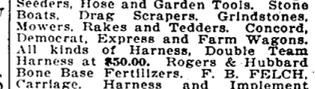
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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of SARAH RICHARDSON late of Westford in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bonds, as the law directs.

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Saturday, April 19, 1913.

PEPPERELL.

Current Events.

Mrs. Spurgeon Cuthbertson has been entertaining her sister, Miss Sadie Woodward, the past week.

Mrs. Elmer Foss made a week-end visit with friends in Boston, returning on Tuesday.

Albert Evans, of Roxbury, visited at the home of H. N. Tower over Sunday.

Mrs. John R. Shattuck was a recent visitor in town. She had been spending some weeks with her grandson, Kenneth Blood, at Fort McKinley, near Portland, Me. She also visited relatives in Nashua and was on her way back to Concord Junction.

Mrs. Caleb Richardson is visiting with Mrs. F. D. Cook at Nashua, N. H., since Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Carlisle Kelley were visitors over Sunday at the home of George Pierce, Railroad street.

Mrs. Louise Hayward and granddaughter from Manchester, N. H., have been guests at the home of J. J. Willoughby on Tucker avenue this week.

Mrs. A. H. Harris spent Tuesday of this week at her old home at South Merrimack, N. H.

A little son was welcomed at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Earl Dunton on Monday. Their son Harry is improving rapidly after his recent operation at the hospital at Nashua.

Mrs. Hannah Davis received her friends at her home at East Village on Friday of last week from three o'clock until eight in the evening, the occasion being her eighty-third birthday. Many members of Acoma Kirkbekah lodge called, as Mrs. Davis is one of their oldest members. Refreshments were served, and a very enjoyable afternoon was passed by all. She was the recipient of many flowers, birthday cakes and good wishes from all.

The senior class of the Pepperell high school presented the comedy, "The elopement of Ellen," to a crowded house on the evening of April 11. Although the play itself was not of a very high educational standard, the young actors acquitted themselves remarkably well, and showed good drilling as well as much natural ability in many cases.

The L. S. C. Alliance Branch of the Unitarian church, Pepperell, will serve a spring-time supper in Central hall on Thursday evening, April 24, at 6:30 o'clock. This will be followed at eight o'clock by a musical program and short farce "The truth about Jane." Dancing from nine to twelve o'clock.

Patriots' day will be observed by the Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. H., in their chapter house at 2:30 o'clock on Saturday afternoon, April 19.

The following members of the Pepperell high school class of 1913, left on the noon train on Friday for their Washington trip: Misses Margaret Boynton, Kathleen Thayer, Gertrude McCormack, Jessie Flynn, Mary Gilhoolley, Mildred Bartlett, Irene Boullia and Elizabeth Hall. The young gentlemen were Leland Gray, Lester Foss, Ray Willoughby, Gerald Shattuck, Donald Jacobs and Fred Pendergast. The principal, Mr. Bryant, will act as conductor of the party, and supervise all arrangements. This trip should prove of much educational value. The parents of these pupils have certainly worked hard that the trip might be possible, holding many dances, food sales and entertainments to procure funds. They will be gone about two weeks.

A salad supper will be served by the Ladies' Aid society on Wednesday, April 23, from six to eight o'clock, with Mrs. E. E. Handley in charge. There will also be baked beans provided for the party, and refreshments. Miss Gertrude Cherry will preside over a table containing home-made candies and a large guess cake. Aprons will also be on sale. A social hour will follow the supper.

Mrs. W. A. Kemp recently entertained Mrs. E. L. Shepherd and daughter from Easton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Frossard went to Somerville last week Friday for a week-end visit with their daughter, Mrs. Leonard Nodding.

Walter Harriman has not been quite as well lately and his son, Archie Harriman, was sent for, arriving from Beverly on Wednesday.

Court Pepperell, F. of A., will hold a social dance at Tarbell's opera house Thursday evening, April 24.

Jerry Goggin moved his goods from Foster street to Milford, N. H., Wednesday of this week.

Winslow S. Parker died on Wednesday, April 16, at his home at East Village, of heart trouble. Services will be held at his late home on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge officiating.

The Single Service company have closed out their business in town. It is understood that the machinery will soon be shipped to Connecticut.

Mrs. Edward Patterson from Elmwood, N. H., has been the guest of Mrs. A. H. Harris, Pleasant street, this past few days.

Miss Elmira Burns has accepted a position in R. H. Stewart's establishment in Boston and expects to take up her new duties on Monday.

Rev. P. R. Stratton returned from attending the annual conference at Boston on Tuesday night. His people are all glad to welcome him back for another year.

Mrs. H. C. Winslow has returned to town after spending the winter with her daughter in New York city.

The marriage of Maud, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Riley of Leighton street to Robert Gardner, son of Mrs. William Gardner of Dunstable, took place at St. Joseph's church, Wednesday afternoon, April 16. Following

the ceremony a collation was served under the supervision of Caterer Up-ton. The couple took the evening train for a short wedding trip.

Julius Greenwood and family have moved from the Palmer house on Tucker avenue to the farm adjoining his father-in-law's, John Blood.

Pomona Grange Meeting.
The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange held a meeting on Thursday in Grange hall, and Mr. Stevens, overseer, reported for Pepperell, E. O. Collier for Groton, Edwin Marshall for Lunenburg, and Augustus Lovejoy and Mrs. Emma Wood for Ayer. A program for a corn exhibit at Lunenburg on November 13, was read. Mention was made of the death of Winslow Parker, one of the executive committee of this Pomona grange. Mrs. Barrow, Mrs. Flarity and Mrs. Cummings were appointed a committee on resolutions. The field day was spoken of, but nothing decided.

The program of the morning began with a reading and encore by Mrs. Georgianna Kimball, of Hollis, N. H. Mrs. E. Starr repeated questions on spending the winter in Florida and treated those present to preserved kumquat.

After a well selected dinner to about 120, the meeting re-assembled with music as a piano solo by Miss Benedict, of Groton, followed by a vocal solo by Miss Dora Bailey, also of Groton. Mr. Preston, formerly of Pepperell, but now of Nashua, N. H., gave a couple of sketches. Rev. H. L. Packard, of Littleton, was then introduced as a speaker of the afternoon on the subject of "Old fogies and other fogies," and eventually through a most interesting prelude, led up to the changes made in nearly every walk in life.

Sometimes it was the old fogies who were temperance cranks, and at other times when they were backward in their fogisms; that the "good old times" were not good times for the young men who got into debt and served out time in a miserable hole worse than the black hole of Calcutta; when Dorothea Dix found the insane chained to the floor and used worse than an animal; when towns "farmed" out their poor and insane, we have gone forward, and why if in other ways we had found the old customs not good enough for the present, why should we think that the constitution of the United States is good enough for conditions of a growing government and thinking population. We began to think and not let a few think for us. It was well to think.

Mrs. Maude Maxwell then gave two selections of "machine" music, followed by Rev. Dudley I. Child, of Pepperell, who spoke on "Is devotion to fashion a greater evil than the tobacco habit?" As he read and pondered on the subject it grew more weighty and he thought over different fashions of the ladies and felt that they should have had the subject in part or discuss it, but fashion extended to all classes of people in every land to the wearing of a pair of wing-like appendages as a sole clothing or a snake encircling waist, to the ancient hoop skirt and bustles. Excavations 2000 B. C. showed that it was fashion for women to have small waists, and that men of late years had grown more common sense, and he believed the time would come when thinking women would care less for style and more for service and common sense.

The cost of fashion was one of the reasons for the high cost of living. Since the topic had been given, he had found many men who never used tobacco, and there were those who used it with a beneficial result; that the men who used it and left it off had many in number, that it was a bad habit when it was not broken off at all; when it made a slave of a man and he lost his freedom. He decided in early life that he could get more out of money in some other way, in the end he surely thought that the devotion to fashion worse than the tobacco habit.

Mrs. Amy Shattuck favored all with a reading on "The cook." E. F. Harmon took up the subject "Does it require more wisdom to earn a dollar than to save one?" After a humorous resume of the previous parts of the program he got down to business and demonstrated that most any one with brains and brawn could earn a dollar, but how many knew when they were going to buy chickens how to get the most eggs for the dollar's worth of feed bought. Then the farmer will spend a lot of money in fertilizer. Does he know how wisely to spend the money that way? Does he know what he is getting? Is not the fact that the majority first spend and not think of what they get amounts to? As a people we need to learn to spend with wisdom.

Mrs. Maude Maxwell gave a vocal solo, and then Rev. R. W. Drawbridge took up "Would the average methods of farm management with success in other lines of business?" He felt a great deal depended on what each one thought was success. He felt sure that the money side was not ideal, that there were many things worth dollars did not count, but he did know of farms where the method had not changed for one hundred years. Most beautifully he described a deserted New Hampshire village. He thought our farmers should take up the new slogan and create a new New England with the best possible service as the nation is awaiting the farmer's pleasure to feed us all, and the newer methods will pay as many of the more progressive farmers find out.

Most touchingly George Whitcomb, of Townsend, took up the subject allotted in the program to the late C. A. Denner. Rev. Stratton took the place of Miss Sadie Tucker on "The benefit of a grange to the community." He did not think one could see all of the benefits—that of the beautiful work in the ritual or anything that tended to make man draw nearer to his Creator; to God who sends the

rain; to make mankind think of all that was about him and realized the touch of His handiwork, was of value in any community. The social part and the educational part, and not least, the Wholam tendency for a moral uplift. In the local grange, many times when the members had a chance to think over some part of a program or evening it presented a different feature than before. There is something in these little sermons without a text that goes home. They come within the reach of the lives and work of the members. Its natural tendency was right advancement toward a higher and better manhood and womanhood of the Middlesex.

Mrs. Kimball gave another reading and the grange closed by singing the parting song. One feature of the dinner was the beautiful clusters of scarlet winter berries and May flowers at each plate gathered by Sadie Tucker.

News Items.
Mr. and Mrs. Sherman Parker and daughter Madeline returned to their home in Whalom after a two-week visit with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. S. Pater, of Townsend street.

Prof. and Mrs. Brown, of Back Bay, announce the engagement of their only daughter, Miss Mabel, to Arthur A. Kemp, of Lynn. The marriage day has not been set yet.

The rummage sale of the Unitarian church, netting the ladies about ninety dollars, and has caused a great deal of pleasure and merriment.

Mrs. Williams, of Foster street, has moved to Milford.

Harold Ross and family have moved into the Frank Behrens double cottage on Cottage street.

Winslow S. Parker passed away at his home on Brookline street on Wednesday, April 15. Mr. Parker was born in Dunstable about 1845, but has lived many years in Pepperell and has filled many important offices in the town. For many years he was a member of Prescott grange and a charter member of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange. He filled every place with fidelity. He is survived by a widow, two sons and a daughter. The funeral services will be held from his late home on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock.

Mrs. Lizzie Miller, formerly of Groton, a student in the normal academy, now of Acton, was in town on Thursday and stayed over night.

Miss Bertha Farnsworth returned from Florida on Thursday morning.

On Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock, Elias J. Hayes, of Lawrence, was married to Miss Mary Carter, well known in East Pepperell. This young couple has gone to Lawrence to reside.

The Pepperell Musical club will give a social dance at Tarbell's Opera house on Friday evening, May 2. Music by their orchestra. The orchestra and military band are making fine progress under the direction of Thomas Butler, and this dance is given to assist the military band in giving a series of concerts at the band stand during the summer. The band is to furnish music for the G. A. R. post at Memorial day.

Mr. Henderson, who has bought the Nelson place, has been in town looking over the property.

Andrew Woodward is in Marlboro, N. H., engaged in the laundry business.

The High school play on last week Friday evening drew a full house and the comedy entitled, "The elopement of Ellen" was very well presented.

W. E. Chapman, who has been on the sick list, is out again and at his place of business.

Dr. and Mrs. W. H. Merrill have returned to town from New York city for the summer.

The large elm tree that has stood in the front of the home of Miss Hatfield Kendall has been cut down.

Mrs. A. M. French is again at her home on Heald street after spending a week in the winter with Mr. and Mrs. Roland H. Blood.

Boynton Merrill returned Wednesday to his school after spending the spring vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Otis Merrill of Oak Hill.

Office hours at East Pepperell post-office for Saturday, April 19, from seven to 9:15 a. m., five to seven p. m.

Mr. Moore, an attorney from Boston, has opened a law office in the Aldrich block.

Mrs. E. W. Blake entertained the Ladies' Afternoon Whist on Thursday afternoon and evening of last week, the gentlemen coming in to tea. It was a rather novel affair as each did not know that the others were invited to stay, and to spend the evening.

William Taylor, one of the oldest citizens in town, has been confined to the house all winter with rheumatism but is now improving and able to walk about the yard.

Mrs. H. E. Frost returned from Proctorville, Vt., last week, where she has been visiting her daughter, Mrs. L. R. Farr.

Quite a bad chimney fire was discovered on last week Friday in the home of Mrs. H. E. Frost, on Sheffield street. The prompt work of volunteers and the hose wagon averted any serious damage, although the fire broke out in one of the upper rooms.

Letters remain undelivered for the East Pepperell postoffice: Mrs. H. E. Richards, Thomas Ward.

Woman's Club Meeting.
On Tuesday, April 15, the Pepperell Women's club held its annual meeting at Central hall with a liberal attendance. Several different chairmen of various committees and officers made reports. A committee was appointed to work with the National Association in regard to a proper recognition of the Sabbath day. This committee selected comprise the president, Mrs. F. Lovejoy, Mrs. Nelson Tower and Mrs. William F. Denham. The musical committee were empowered to arrange for a concert previous to May 20.

The speaker of the afternoon was Rev. Samuel R. Maxwell, who spoke on "Education and immigration," and made a great treat to all present. He told them how the dream of the foreign born was most rudely shattered by our treatment of them, that the German peasant class had suddenly almost ceased to come because of the new line of education practiced in Germany, which tended to educate hand and mind. The German government has conceded the value of her citizens doing manual labor as well as professional, and that there was a true dignity in labor. High-class workmanship was having its influence felt in the German home.

He showed a more close working in our neighboring town of Lancaster from their last summer pageant. He demonstrated that the subject of a town or community not keeping in touch with the workers in that town was radically wrong. He said that unless the town was ready to spend a lot of money it could not hope to

carry on these more advanced ideas.

In speaking of the moving picture shows shown to the foreign born, the foreigner would take to the more educative shows at the rate of sixty per cent, while the American born and school children took to the more exciting and dramatic films. He was at home dealing with facts that our people can scarcely realize or wake up to.

Appreciation of his interesting talk was shown by a unanimous rising vote of thanks. Quite a large number paid their yearly dues. The following officers were elected for the coming year:

Mrs. Julia E. Lovejoy, pres.; Mrs. Belle W. Head, Mrs. Emma W. Pierce, vice pres.; Mrs. Lottie B. Shephardson, rec. sec.; Mrs. J. Luetta Boynton, cor. sec.; Mrs. M. E. Treadwell, exp. sec.; Mrs. Anna G. Wright, custodian; Mrs. Martha M. Denham, auditor; Mrs. Minnie E. Qua, Mrs. Alice M. Boynton, Mrs. Isabel K. Paul, directors for 2 years.

Methodist Notes.
The first Sunday of the new conference of the Methodist church will be occupied by the newly appointed pastor, who is also his own successor, Rev. P. R. Stratton will preside in the morning upon the subject "The strength of the church," and at seven o'clock in the evening the subject will be "The race is not to the swift."

Studies in the spiritual life every Sunday from twelve to one o'clock.

The bright hour service of the Epworth league will be held at six in the evening. Subject, "Money the test of a Christian character." Leader, Mrs. Mary Coffin.

The service for Christian helpfulness will be held on Tuesday evening, 7:30 o'clock. The study hour for Sunday school teachers and workers comes at 7:30 o'clock.

The monthly business meeting of the Epworth league will be held on Friday evening, April 25, at 7:45 o'clock, and a social hour will follow. There is important business that needs attention at this meeting.

HOLLIS, N. H.
Current Events.
Edgar Patch came from Boston on Friday to spend Saturday and Sunday with his mother, who has been very feeble health the past few months.

Mrs. Marion Verder is reported as being decidedly better. Her many friends will be pleased to hear of this.

The new Hardman grand piano which has been purchased by the town is now on its way to Hollis. It is to be placed in the hall. It is to have its first trial on Saturday evening, April 19, when it will be used during the evening. The piano was purchased from William L. Nutting, Nashua, N. H., under the direction of Mr. and Mrs. George A. Ladd.

The G. A. R. and W. R. C. department conventions will be held in Concord on Wednesday and Thursday, April 23 and 24.

Mrs. Bessie W. McEnnis, of the W. R. C., has been chosen by the department president to act as color bearer at the convention to be held in Concord. Several members of the order hope to be present.

Miss Florence Blood, of Hudson, N. H., is spending the week-end with her friend, Lena E. Ladd.

Miss Minnie Bancroft went to Boston on Tuesday for a week's visit with relatives. Miss Adelaide Colburn is to be at Mrs. Rebecca Richardson's while Miss Bancroft is away.

Miss Ruth Sweetser spent last Saturday in Boston with some girl friends, and spent Sunday with Louise H. J. Hardy at Simmons college.

George A. Ladd, who has been confined to his home for several days since he met with a severe fall, has greatly improved in the last week and has been able to get out to his blacksmith shop again.

Robert H. Ladd, of Lynn, Mass., is a week-end visitor with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Ladd.

Arthur W. Lund, of Hudson, enjoyed a bicycle ride to Hollis on last Sunday, spending the day with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. William H. Lund.

Fred Hardy was in town at his father's, Charles W. Hardy, a few hours on Sunday.

S. S. Whitcomb, of Worcester, has been spending a week with his daughter, Mrs. Florence Ladd.

Perley A. Lund starts in on his work, carpentering in Hudson, on Monday morning.

T. A. Greenleaf has purchased the old George Brooks sawmill at South Brookline, of Mr. Averill, and is tearing it down getting it ready to move to Hollis, where it will be made into a barn at his new residence on the North Pepperell road.

Runaway Accident.
Charles F. Felton, who lives on the place formerly owned by Mr. Blood in East Hollis, was taken to the Nashua Emergency hospital on Tuesday suffering from a broken leg and other injuries caused by a heavy wagon running over him. He was driving a cart for the W. G. Baker Co. and it was his first day on the route. When he went to feed his horse, he drove him up to a telephone pole on Canal street and unbridled it, attaching the feed bag to his head. He was standing near him when an auto truck driven at a moderate speed came from Lowell street. The horse took fright and ran, and became wedged in between a telephone pole and fence near the wheelwright shop of J. E. Douglas on Lowell street. The driver had run along with him until this point, when he was thrown and the heavy wagon passed over him. The horse became freed and ran up the street, and turned into Clinton street, where the cart became overturned and the contents scattered everywhere. The horse ran down Railroad square and was captured near Frank T. Lewis' stable. The horse was uninjured.

Death.
At five o'clock on last Saturday morning, Deacon John E. Foster, oldest native resident of Milford, died at his home on Federal hill. He was the son of Moses and Fannie Coggin Foster, and was born on May 17, 1824. In the house which his grandfather built, where his father lived, and where he himself had spent nearly all his life, and where he died. He had been in falling health for a long time.

Deacon Foster received his early education in the public schools of Milford, and later studied at the Literary and Scientific Institute at Hancock. He then spent three years at teaching, first in Amherst and then in the State of Illinois. After that he returned to agricultural life, and in 1848, was married to Miss Sophia P. Parley of Hollis, whose death occurred several years ago. Much of his time was given to probate work and the settling of estates.

In 1872, he was elected to the board of deacons of the Congregational church, and he served faithfully for several years. In 1885, Mr. Foster was elected to the board of selectmen, and served the town in that capacity for four years. In 1888, he was promi-

nent in the celebration of the 100th anniversary of the Congregational church, and was a charter member and officer of the Historical and Genealogical society. His knowledge of local history was great and he contributed much to the Milford town history which was published in 1901.

Mr. Foster is survived by two children, Mrs. George Woodward, who has cared for her father in his declining years, and George E. Foster, who founded a newspaper in Milford, later moved to Ithaca, N. Y., and now resides in Hampton, Va.; a grandson, Jesse Foster, who is a Presbyterian clergyman in Oklahoma. Besides his children, Mr. Foster is survived by two brothers, Moses P., a cotton mill owner at Augusta, Ga., and Benjamin F., of Milford.

The funeral was held on Wednesday from the house, Rev. J. H. Twitchell officiating.

Mrs. John E. Foster were well-known to Hollis residents, and they were frequent visitors in town before the death of Mrs. Foster. They were regular attendants at the old folks' reception given by the Y. M. C. E., and Mr. Foster made one of the addresses on the common at the time the Neven's stone was dedicated. Mrs. Asa B. Eaton is among the Hollis relatives.

TOWNSEND.
Center.
Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Struthers attended the convention at Fitchburg on Wednesday; also, Mr. and Mrs. George Whitcomb, Miss Lizzie Whitcomb and Miss Mammie Adams.

Quite a load of grangers attended the Pomona grange at Pepperell on Thursday, reporting an interesting meeting.

A food sale which was well patronized, was held at the Congregational vestries on Wednesday afternoon.

The annual meeting of the Monday club will be held at Mrs. Gertrude Piper's on Monday, April 21.

Clipping.
The following was taken from the Boston Globe of April 17:
Because Alice Lundberg, of Fort Denton, Mont., the pretty nineteen-year-old daughter of a Fort Denton farmer, refused his offer of her, James Eugene Laws, of Townsend, who went there recently, swallowed poison on Tuesday night, dying soon afterward.

Laws first went to Fort Denton, where he met Miss Lundberg. She did not respond to his wooing, but he persisted. He followed her to Great Falls, and when she refused to see him he went into the street in front of where she was visiting and took poison. He left a note which said:
"To the inquisitive—I didn't want to live any more. I've had twenty-two years of it, and it has been false hopes and broken promises. Farewell to friends and family well to all. I'm the past generations."
He also left a note directing officers to advise B. H. Laws, of Townsend.

Auto Accident.
What came near being a very bad auto accident, happened at the West Townsend crossing at about seven o'clock on Thursday evening, when a passenger touring car, being a Fitchburg garage number, and containing four occupants evidently the worse for liquor, crashed into the crossing fence, knocking over several sections of it. The auto was going towards the West Village, and had no lights, and at that point met Dr. Boynton in his auto bound for the Center. The driver of the Fitchburg auto must have been blinded by the lights, having none of his own, so that he did not see the roadway rightly, or he must have lost control of his auto, which resulted in the crash against the fence.

Parties soon arrived upon the scene and offered help, and the big auto truck which passes through here daily helped to pull the machine out, and it was found that the engine would still go.

No one was seriously injured which was very lucky, for had the auto overturned they would have been thrown out of the auto and likely sustained serious injuries. The party got righted and started on.

Harbor.
Mrs. Baldwin has returned from Putnam, Conn., where she has been the guest of her son.

John Harvey, who has been enjoying a week's vacation in New Jersey, returned on Monday morning.

Arthur Corkery, who has been spending a week at the Hager farm, has returned to Boston.

The Misses Warner spent Saturday and Sunday with their parents.

Mrs. W. A. Buckley, of Harbor farm, has gone west on a short visit to relatives in Iowa and Illinois.

Herbert Cummings, who has been at home for a few weeks, returned to Paducah, Ky., on Wednesday.

On last Saturday evening, Miss Esther Bagley was happily surprised by a party of twenty-six of her friends who had come in honor of her sixteenth birthday.

Mr. and Mrs. James Christian are about to move to the Page place in the Pepperell road just beyond Cool Tree hill. Mr. Christian will act as caretaker and his wife as housekeeper. William Stuart, who has been teamster at the leatherboard mill, will move into a nearby house and have the supervision of the mill. The Christian house in this village will be occupied by Mrs. Christian's mother and aunt, Mrs. Slipp and Miss Mason.

Mrs. Hattie Spaulding, who has been under the doctor's care for several days, hopes to be able to fill her part in the cast of "Down East," to be given at the Center on Friday evening.

On Tuesday evening, the Townsend Harbor Social club was handsomely entertained at the home of Mrs. Jack Doherty. Over thirty were present. Following the business meeting games of various kinds were played, after which refreshments were served.

Francis Moore, aged fifteen, died of tuberculosis of the lungs at the Old Mansion on Thursday morning. The funeral will take place at the house on Saturday morning at eleven o'clock. The body will be taken to Nashua on the noon train for interment.

On last Saturday the Townsend Juniors and the Harbor nine played a double-header at this village. The Juniors won the first game after a hard struggle. The second game was easily won by the Harbor nine.

On Monday evening a young man on the bank of the Harbor pond, just back of the Strout estate, in attempting to shoot a muskrat, came near causing a serious accident. The bullet as it struck the water was deflected, and barely missing the head of Roscoe Connors who was on the bank opposite, entered the north window of Miss Jennie Taylor's sleeping

apartment, and passing diagonally across the room, passed out through an east window. Miss Taylor, although occupying the room at the time, was fortunately not in the line of direction of the missile. The holes in the window frames through which the bullet passed varied greatly in size, that in the east window being much the larger. It was under this window that the bullet was found the next morning.

On Thursday afternoon, the Ladies' Aid society met with Mrs. Jack Doherty. Fourteen ladies were present and an enjoyable time was spent.

John Hennessy is receiving congratulations upon the advent of a little son.

Charles Sloan is a guest at Walter Brown's.

The dog at the Harbor farm that has been committing depredations on many poultry yards, was killed by its owners on Thursday afternoon.

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U. S. Bonds to secure circulation 50,000.00
Other bonds to secure Postal circulation 7,339.69
Bonds, Securities, etc. 112,589.20
Banking house, Furniture, and fixtures 7,170.00
Due from approved Reserve Agents 27,981.39
Notes of other National Banks 835.00
Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels and Cents 156.16
Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz:
Specie \$1,146.85
Legal-tender notes 12,630.00 16,776.85
Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (percent of circulation) 2,500.00
Total \$373,337.06

Liabilities.
Capital stock paid in \$50,000.00
Surplus fund 10,000.00
Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes 5,985.01
National Bank Notes Outstanding 50,000.00
Dividends unpaid 484.00
Individual deposits subject to check 251,406.86
Cashier's checks outstanding 1,127.67
Postal Savings deposits 1,353.52
Total \$373,337.06

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

H. F. Tarbell, Cashier.
Subscribed and sworn to before me this 14th day of April, 1913.
George G. Tarbell, Notary Public.
Correct—Attest:
I. G. Rowell,
E. L. Hobart,
H. F. Hobart, Directors.