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### HARVARD.

#### News Items.

Mrs. Grace Chute died at the hospital at Groton on last Saturday afternoon, the result of operations for appendicitis. Funeral services were held on Tuesday afternoon from the home in Old Mill district, Rev. E. B. Mason officiating. A quartet sang, "Nearer my God to thee" and "No stars in my crown." The deceased leaves a husband, John Chute, and two boys to mourn their loss of a wife and mother.

Harvard Grange meets next Tuesday evening with Mrs. Ladd, lecturer of the Massachusetts State Grange, as the speaker of the evening. Mrs. Ladd is a woman of remarkable personality and it will be a treat to hear her at this time. Music throughout the evening.

The afternoon whist club held its annual meeting at the Memorial rooms on Wednesday afternoon and elected these officers: Miss N. T. Hartshorn, pres.; Mrs. W. F. Dickson, vice-pres.; Mrs. Geo. C. Maynard, sec. It was voted to hold the first party at the home of Mrs. S. M. Farnsworth on Wednesday afternoon, December 2, at 2:30 p. m.

"The suffragettes' convention," a comedy to be given by the Bromfield School Alumni association on Saturday evening, November 14, at the town hall will include the following in the cast of characters: Miss Ruth Whitney, Mrs. Alice Cleaves, Miss Josephine Baker, Miss Ruth Peters, Mrs. Etta Ripley, Mrs. Lillian Cleaves, Miss Harriet Thayer, Miss Frances Amason, Miss Estelle Harney, Mrs. Elizabeth Maynard, Miss George Bryant, Miss Dorothy Peters and James Peters. Dancing after the entertainment.

Miss Marjorie Thomas with Miss Josephine Baker returned on Wednesday from week's visit with relatives at Wollaston and Roxbury. Mrs. Ernest Hapenny of Waltham with her daughter is a guest this week-end with her parents here, Mr. and Mrs. William Hanna.

The Bromfield School Basketball team played the Littleton high school team this week Friday afternoon at Bromfield.

Rev. and Mrs. C. S. Bodwell visited this week with friends in Malden.

Mrs. K. W. Sears and her daughter, Miss C. E. Sears, closed the Pergolas, their summer home on Prospect hill, Tuesday, and go with their household to their winter residence in Boston.

Charles Pollard, who for the past thirteen years has been a resident in Berlin, Germany, arrived at the Pollard home here on last Saturday evening. Although he has enjoyed immensely his stay abroad he was very much pleased to be again on home soil. He speaks in high terms of the people of Germany whom he has found to be a very highly cultured people. As to the outcome of the war even Berlin is not competent to say.

The ladies of the Unitarian society will hold an all-day sewing meeting with Mrs. C. S. Bodwell at the parsonage on Tuesday, November 17.

L. W. Hall has a new 1915 Jeffreys six-cylinder auto—certainly a very slick article.

The V class of the Congregational Sunday school will hold a box social and entertainment at the church vestry on Saturday evening, November 21, at eight o'clock. The proceeds are to be sent to the Y. P. S. C. E. building committee in Boston to help the fund now being raised to build headquarters in that city which shall constitute a bureau to assist young men and women coming to the city in search of employment. All are invited to attend and all ladies are expected to provide a box lunch for two with their own name concealed inside the box. These boxes are to be sold at auction for supper.

There will be a meeting of the Harvard Woman's Guild in aid of the Red Cross, held at the vestry of the Congregational church on Saturday afternoon, November 14, at two o'clock, when completed work will be returned and more distributed. All interested in the work are cordially invited to be present. It is proposed to hold meetings of the guild on every other Saturday.

Notices from the Bureau of Cattle Industry have been sent to the local agents here forbidding the moving of any cattle on the highways of the town or transporting hay or grain from barns infected with the hoof and mouth disease. Persons are also forbidden to visit barns infected, and even cats and dogs are to be restrained from roaming about. The very stringent rules are thought to be necessary to prevent the spread of this disease now prevalent throughout several states.

Harvard chemical company will hold their annual ball in town hall on Thanksgiving night, November 26. Music by Newell's orchestra of Marlboro, six pieces.

Many tickets have been sold here for the pageant play to be given in Ayer for the benefit of the Unitarian church on Thursday and Friday evenings, November 19 and 20. Those who

have not already secured tickets can get reserved seats at Hill's drug store, Ayer, on Monday morning, November 16, at nine o'clock.

### Extension School.

A public meeting for all interested in the Agricultural College Extension school was held at the Hapgood rooms on Tuesday evening of this week. A. C. Fuller was elected as chairman and Mrs. Elizabeth Maynard as secretary of the meeting. After some discussion three committees were appointed to attend to the details of this school work—J. E. Maynard, finance; Dr. Austin Peters, general arrangements; Arthur T. West, publicity. These three, in conjunction with the chairman and secretary of the meeting are to constitute a general committee of arrangements. It is now expected that the school will be held at the town hall from December 28 to January 1, inclusive, and shall embrace courses in domestic science, home economics, soil fertility, poultry, apple culture and dairying.

A charge of one dollar per family for the use to be made, this charge to cover the actual expenses of the school. Instructors for the M. A. C. are to conduct the lectures, whose services are to be given. As this school is to be a grand thing for in advance of any of that all will avail themselves of this opportunity. More details will be given out later and any information may be obtained of any member of the committee.

### H. W. C.

The last meeting of the Harvard Woman's club was very well attended and all present were well enthused by the words of Miss Elizabeth Cushman. She gave an exceedingly instructive and interesting lecture and discussion on the Montessori system. Miss Cushman has made a special study of this method, having spent much time visiting in the Montessori houses in Rome, Italy, where Madam Montessori first originated it. Miss Cushman, who has been a teacher all her life and understands children in a wonderful way, with all her experience, is convinced that this method is in advance of any other. She has already started a school of this kind in Newton Center, to which she devotes all her energies.

The club feel very grateful to Miss Cushman, as well as to Mr. Mason, who operated the lantern, for making such a delightful afternoon possible. The next meeting will be held on Monday afternoon in the chapel of the Baptist church in Still River, the subject being "Current events."

### Church Notes.

At the Unitarian church on Sunday morning there will be the regular devotional service conducted by the pastor. Mr. Thayer will sing "The voice of Jesus," by Sutcliffe. Sunday school will be held at twelve o'clock to which all are cordially invited to attend.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning there will be the usual service for public worship. The pastor will take as his theme "The blazed trail." Music by the quartet choir. The bible school session will follow the preaching service at twelve o'clock.

The Y. P. S. C. E. hold their prayer meeting at seven o'clock. The subject for today will be "Magnify the name of the Lord." Mrs. E. F. Houshon will have charge and there will be special music by the chorus.

In spite of the dull, threatening weather last Sunday there was an attendance equal to the average at the half hour of the bible school when a brief session was spent in celebrating the world's temperance Sunday, followed by a stereopticon pictorial review of some of the lessons of the year in the darkened auditorium.

Current events was presented at the last session of the Monday club by Mrs. W. O. Willard, whose paper was followed by a general discussion. Colonial history was taken up as follows: The feudal patron system of colonization in New Netherlands, N. A. Dill; the Quakers and Baptists in different colonies, Miss S. L. Jones; royal charters, Miss S. E. Pollard.

### Sull River.

Mrs. Hester Littlefield has gone to Brooklyn, N. Y., to spend the winter with a brother.

Mrs. Julia L. Keyes, who has been here for the summer, went to Springfield Tuesday to spend the winter with her son, Lester B. Keyes.

Mrs. John R. Bigelow entertained nine members of the Birthday club last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Abbie Dadmun is entertaining Miss Moffatt.

gave two selections and the entertainment closed with a piano and organ duet by Mrs. Haskell and Miss Stone. Sunday evening the Sunday school gave a temperance concert, using the programs sent out by the Lincoln-Lee Anti-saloon league.

### TOWNSEND.

#### Center.

George L. Whitcomb has a new Ford automobile.

Mrs. Albert Goldthwaite, who suffered from a shock several weeks ago, passed away Wednesday afternoon. Funeral will be held Saturday at two p. m., from her late home on Upper Main street. Mrs. Goldthwaite will be missed by her many friends. She was of a cheery disposition and always had a smile and a pleasant word for everyone.

Mrs. W. F. Taylor attended the meeting of the state board of charities held at the state house, Boston, November 12.

The body of Mrs. Serena Brown Sherwin was brought here for burial from Lowell Tuesday, November 10. Mrs. Sherwin was the widow of the late Waldo Sherwin. Older residents remember Mrs. Sherwin as having lived at one time in the house now occupied by Mrs. S. S. Haynes.

Ninety-Fourth Birthday.

In a quiet way the ninety-fourth birthday of Mrs. Martha Baxter, Townsend's oldest resident, was observed Thursday, November 12, at her home on Upper Highland street. Mrs. Baxter was born of Scotch-Irish parents in Northern Ireland November 20, 1820. She came to New York when eighteen years of age. While there she married Joseph Baxter. About fourteen years later they came to Brookline, N. H., and during Rev. F. D. Sargent's pastorate there she united with the Congregational church. Later Mr. and Mrs. Baxter with their five children moved here on West hill.

Since coming to Townsend Mr. and Mrs. Baxter joined by letter the Congregational church here while Rev. F. D. Sargent was pastor. A pleasing coincidence to have united with the church in two different states at different times yet under the same pastor.

Mrs. Baxter's health and faculties are very well preserved and she has a joyous way of promoting happiness to all who know her and her many friends called Thursday to pay the "dear old lady" their highest respect and honor. Others who could not call sent a shower of postcards expressing affection and esteem for one who had reached their ninety-fourth birthday.

Mr. Baxter died several years ago. Since then Mrs. Baxter has been very tenderly cared for by her daughter, Mrs. Mary Hildreth. Mrs. Baxter has one son living, Samuel Baxter of Keene, N. H.

### Club Meeting.

A very pleasing meeting of the Country club was held Wednesday afternoon, November 10, at the home of Mrs. George Hayward, Bayberry hill. The program was one of especial interest and profit after this November election season, as papers were given on the lives and duties of the governor and his staff.

First on the program was a piano duet by Mrs. George Hayward and Miss Isabelle Hayward; papers, governor-elect, lieutenant-gov., by Mrs. Lillie Spencer; treat, and Mr. Emma Spencer; treasurer, and Mr. Emma Powell; commissioner of education by Miss Julia Herlihy; reading, "Landing of the Pilgrims," Mrs. Hayward; history of Plymouth Rock, Miss Elsie Powell. A song was sung in closing. Refreshments were served by the hostess, Mrs. Frank Boutelle was the guest of the afternoon.

The next meeting of the club will be held on the second Wednesday in December at the home of the president, Mrs. Annie N. Greenleaf. There will be papers read on picturesque places in America and a Christmas entertainment will be given.

### Harbor.

The Ladies' Aid of this village are planning a fair for the second week in December.

Herbert Cummings is visiting with friends in Waltham.

Fred Rivers, of Somerville, was a mid-week guest at the Hager farm.

W. A. Gray and A. W. Watson started on Monday morning for New Hampshire on a hunting expedition.

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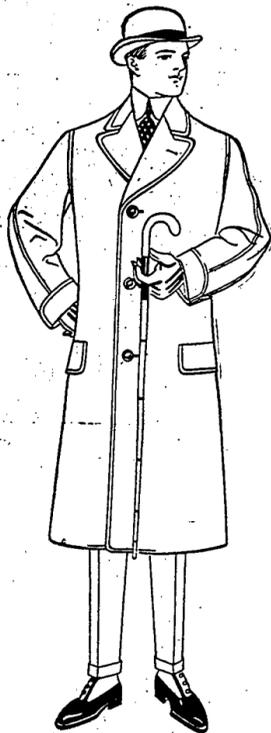
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WESTFORD.

Center. Mrs. J. R. Draper's many Westford friends will be glad to know that she is making good convalescence from her recent operation for appendicitis.

James O'Brien shot a fox on W. Wheeler's farm on Wednesday of this week. Sir Reynard was a good specimen of his tribe.

The Misses Atwood went this week to spend the winter months in Florida, making their headquarters in Jacksonville. Their niece, Miss Grace Atwood, of Chelmsford, was a guest at their home the first part of the week.

Miss Mary G. Balch held a most attractive sale of her own handiwork of drawing and painting at her home on Boston road Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday of this week.

Mrs. Phonsie Isles, the popular manager of the local telephone exchange, who has been quite sick with laryngitis, is better and able to resume work at the switchboard.

The fire department was summoned on last Saturday forenoon to a chimney fire at Joseph J. Walker's and made quick work in responding but the fire was practically under control before outside help arrived, with but small damage.

The continued drouth is a real problem and trial to those outside the reach of the town supply. Many farmers have had to carry water from ponds, brooks, etc., for many weeks and the drouth is such that only long continued and heavy rains can really relieve the situation.

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The flag was raised on the new flag pole recently set up at Whitney playgrounds for the first time on Monday morning. This flag raising was attended by a group of enthusiastic children.

The literature and library extension committees of the Tadnuck club will hold a food sale and entertainment at the Unitarian church on Monday afternoon, November 30, at 2.30 o'clock.

The first number of the academy entertainment course will be given at the town hall on next week Friday evening at eight o'clock, and will be an illustrated lecture by N. M. Brigham on "Our national parks."

Members of the Tadnuck club are reminded of the postponement of the meeting of presidents' day from next week Tuesday afternoon to Friday afternoon, said change being made to have the president of the State Federation with the club and who can be present on that date.

The twelfth successive annual banquet under church took place Tuesday evening and all the arrangements were carried out to make it the pleasant community affair of good cheer and good fellowship of its predecessors.

Miss May Atwood, the church organist, had charge of the music and presided at the organ during the musical numbers interspersing the after-dinner speaking. The dinner was served at 6.30 and the appetizing menu consisted of chicken pies, mashed potato and squash, celery, cranberry jelly, coffee, raisin, pies of all kinds and fruit to which nearly 150 people did full justice.

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The committee in charge of the entertainment were Rev. David Wallace, Arthur E. Day, William C. Roudenbush, Miss May Atwood and John P. Wright. Those in charge of the supper were Mrs. John P. Wright, Mrs. S. L. Taylor, Miss L. E. Atwood, Mrs. John McMaster, Mrs. A. H. Burnham, Mrs. F. C. Bannister and Miss Ida E. Leighton and other willing assistants.

About Town. Miss Etta Whitney died suddenly on Tuesday evening after a few hours' illness at the Corporation hospital in Lowell where she had been training to be a nurse. Only a short time since a farewell party was given her before leaving home and friends in Westford for this untimely sphere.

The party was a general neighborhood one as well as for those nearer relatives. This farewell party was given at the home of her sister, Mrs. Phillips, at Westford station last, proved to be a long, sad farewell without recall. Miss Whitney was nineteen years old, with genial traits that met an appreciative response with her youthful companions and society generally. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Julian A. Whitney, whose home was on the Carlisle road. The funeral took place from this home on Thursday afternoon.

The next meeting of the Grange will be held on Thursday evening, November 19, and will be known as "The Rejuvenator meeting." The last meeting of the Grange was "Cutting brush" evening and roll call. The brush question developed a good deal of wisdom talk. The roll call was answered by the members in song, recitation or recitation. Some one started a good-natured hub-bub rumpus by an attack on the open season for hunting, which caused some opinions to get very much heated, and some of them have not cooled off yet.

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The two young daughters of Mr. and Mrs. Scott are to act as flower girls for their aunt. It will be a pretty and eventful wedding and aside from relatives and friends, all of Mr. Cannon's Masonic lodge will be present. A reception follows at the home of the bride.

Mr. Scott, while riding in a farm wagon with a boy last week Friday, near the Bannister Corner, the horse became frightened at the electric cars and made a sudden right angle shy, which threw Mr. Scott out upon the frozen ground. He was uncomfortably injured on the shoulders and back. The car was stopped and Mr. Scott was properly cared for and left in charge of a physician. He is still unable to work. Mr. Scott will be remembered as an uncle of Mrs. William E. Green.

The Prairie farm folks are busy preparing for 1915 bushel of potatoes next year. No beets or other vegetables will be raised on this farm next year but straight potato specialty. The Old Oak-Bucket farm D. Wright is the hostess of the afternoon and the meeting will be at the Congregational church.

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this also getting a recall. State Master Chapman came late and gave a stirring, straight from the shoulder address on "Home and Grange life." It was a well worthy counterpart of the address that preceded it.

The members of Cameron Circle, C. F. of A., held a largely attended and interesting meeting in their rooms on Tuesday night. Considerable business of importance was transacted, after which a social hour was enjoyed. A very pleasing entertainment was given and refreshments were served.

The local hunters are now looking forward to the open season for deer, but if some of them do not have any better luck than they did with the pheasants, the deer will be safe all right.

The members of Westford, M. C. O. P., held their regular meeting on Thursday night.

The Ladies Aid society of the M. E. church met with Mrs. Hammett Wright on Thursday afternoon.

While watching a street brawl between some Russians here last Monday evening Alex Couture, an innocent bystander, was stabbed in the face by one of the fellows, who immediately jumped in a car and made tracks for Forge Village. Mr. Couture found it necessary to seek medical aid and Dr. W. H. Sherman dressed the wound. In the meantime Constable Frank Healy got in touch with the knife hand and had him summoned to appear in court at Ayer on Wednesday.

The members of Court Graniteville, F. of A., are planning on holding a very enjoyable smoke talk after their next regular meeting night that will be held on Thursday, November 19.

Death. Word has been recently received of the death of Mrs. Flora Palmer Joslin, wife of Dr. S. L. Joslin, who died in Reno, Nevada, on Thursday, November 12, at the age of 62 years. Her husband, an infant daughter; also, her father, L. P. Palmer; two brothers, Lewis B. and Mark, all of this village, and one sister, Jennie, who lived near her in Nevada. Mrs. Joslin was a devoted and widely loved by her many friends here, was well and favorably known. Born in Graniteville, a graduate of the Westford academy and teacher in the Sargent school here, she entered into the social life of the village and was beloved by all. Of a sunny disposition, with a cheerful smile and a pleasant word for everyone, she made many friends and her death comes as a severe shock to the people here whose deepest sympathy is extended to the bereaved husband and family at this sad hour. Her husband, Dr. S. L. Joslin, was a former practicing physician here.

Forge Village. Mr. and Mrs. V. C. Bruce Wetmore entertained a party of friends at Nashobah farm Wednesday. At noon a dainty luncheon was served and the party continued the day with street playing whist. The party motored back to their homes in the early afternoon after thoroughly enjoying the day. Among them were Mrs. Charles Locke, Mrs. Arthur Moody, Mrs. H. S. Potter of Cambridge, Mrs. W. C. Curtis, Mrs. Harmon F. Curtis, Mrs. C. A. Boutelle of Newton Center and Mrs. H. M. Savage of Cohasset.

Miss Margaret O'Hara and Miss Margaret Benedict, of Concord, N. H., are guests of Mrs. Jane Lare, previous to a trip to Florida for the benefit of Miss Benedict's health.

Miss Agnes Moran has returned from St. John's hospital, Lowell, where she has been confined for several months. Miss Moran has suffered intensely for some years and her grit and courage in her fight for health has won her many friends who sincerely hope that health will be restored to her once more.

Ernest Mountain, who was operated on for appendicitis at the Lowell General hospital, is reported as doing well and is expected to return home next week.

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Mrs. V. C. Bruce Wetmore, of Nashobah farm, is the guest of friends in Boston for a few days.

A donation of twenty-five dollars has been received by Cameron school from the Abbot Worsted Company toward the purchase of a Victrola.

George Wilson and William DeRoeth are among the delegates from the Graniteville Methodist church attending the Conference of the M. E. Board of Missions which is being held in Boston this week.

Sunday services will be held at St. Andrew's mission at 4.30 in the afternoon. Sunday school will open at 3.30 o'clock.

New Advertisements.

REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE Townsend National Bank, at Townsend, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, October 31, 1914.

Resources. Loans and Discounts \$231,119.32

Overdrafts secured and unsecured 172.42

U. S. Bonds deposited to secure currency liabilities 100,000.00

Bonds, Securities, etc. (other than stocks) 60,146.25

All other stocks 11,350.33

Banking House, Furniture and Fixtures 1,000.00

Due from approved Reserve Agents in other banks 45,915.72

Checks and other cash items 55,223.00

Notes of other National Banks 2,099.00

Practical Impoverishment, Nickels and Cents 70.46

Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie \$1,325.00

Legal-tender notes 12,323.00

Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer and amount in circulation 5,000.00

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SHIRLEY.

Wedding. John Edward Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Adams, of this town, and Miss Emma Louise Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newcomb L. Green, of Ayer, were united in marriage last Saturday afternoon at two o'clock at the home of the bride, Pond street, Ayer. The decorations of the home consisted of cut flowers. The bride was given in marriage by her father, Rev. J. W. Thomas, pastor of the Baptist church in Ayer, and formed the ceremony, the single ring service being used. The matron of honor was Mrs. Lawrence Burleigh Smith, of Somerville, sister of the groom, while her husband was best man. Miss Harriet Adams, of this town, sister of the groom, presided at the piano. The ushers were William Stewart of Leominster, a cousin of the bridegroom, and R. C. Green, of Ayer, a brother of the bride. The bride wore a dress of white embroidered rice cloth, with cap, and carried a bouquet of white carnations. The matron of honor was gowned in a dress of pink rice cloth, with cap, and carried a bouquet of pink carnations. The gift of the bride to the matron of honor was a brooch, and the gift of the bride to the pianist was a pearl pendant. The gifts of the groom to the best man and ushers were pearl stickpins. A reception followed the tying of the nuptial knot at which about fifty attended, dainty refreshments being served. The wedding presents consisted of cut glass, silver, pictures, bric-a-brac and articles both ornamental and useful. The young couple departed in an auto late in the afternoon amid a shower of confetti for a week's honeymoon. Upon their return they will make their home on Main street in this town. The bride for a number of years past has been employed at the factory of the C. A. Edgarton Company and was the recipient of a handsome chair from her associates in Miss Parks' department, where she assisted, and in her home town of Ayer she was well known and highly known and for a few years was organist at the Methodist church. The groom is a native of Shirley and is employed as a machinist at the Shannon cordage works. He is a member of the fire department and presented him with a silver coffee set and a dozen silver knives and forks. The couple are starting upon their matrimonial voyage with the best wishes of the townspeople for a successful and happy life.

News Items. Miss Sophia Kane, employed for the past twenty-eight years in the stitching department of the C. A. Edgarton Company, was presented with a silver tea percolator at the closing hour of work on last week Friday by the employees in that department. Miss Kane will shortly sever her connections with the company to prepare for her coming marriage with Joseph Wheeler of Ayer. While running a circular saw in Mr. Ballou's mill, where he is employed, George H. Devarney lacerated the first two fingers of his right hand very severely last Saturday afternoon. He was attended by Dr. Charles J. Peirce. A herd of eleven deer was seen on Wednesday at Fort pond. At the musical service on Sunday at the home of Mrs. Grace E. Winslow, Shirley Center, a very unusual program has been prepared, the special number being Mrs. Samuel Winslow of Worcester, wife of Congressman Winslow, who will deliver an appropriate address and will also entertain with violin solos. All are invited to attend these services. Rev. G. E. Woodman went to Boston on Wednesday to attend the New England Congregational Congress that was held on Wednesday and Thursday of this week. Mr. Woodman, after attending one of the sessions, went to Worcester to attend the State Sunday School convention which has been held on Wednesday, Thursday, Friday and Saturday of this week. The Past Grand's association of Rebekehans were entertained on this week Friday afternoon and evening in Shirley by Mary A. Livermore, Rebekah of the new town of Ayer. Mrs. Grace E. Winslow, of Ayer, was present at the regular meeting in the evening and witnessed the exemplification of the initiatory degree. Refreshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. W. Lloyd Allen, of Newburyport, were in town last week ever Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen, Harvard road. Mr. and Mrs. Allen are also entertaining their little granddaughters for a couple of weeks. Nancy and Priscilla.

The members of the Altrurian club met in their club rooms on Monday afternoon to receive the material for knitting bands for the soldiers now fighting in the European war. Those ladies who are not members, but wish to cooperate with the club in this work, can procure all the material for work from Miss Grace M. Kilburn. Alfred Kolowrath, a former resident of this town, was recently married to Miss Margaret Zecha, of Chelsea. They have taken up their residence in Keene, N. H. Mr. Kolowrath, until a short time ago, assisted his father on the farm in Taunton. The Altrurian club will hold its regular meeting on next Thursday afternoon in the vestry of the Congregational church, when reciprocity day will be observed. Miss Margreta S. Hastings, principal of the high school, and Miss Margaret McMillan, teacher of the grammar grades, visited the public schools in Haverhill on Monday. Rev. Joseph B. Torrey, a former pastor for thirteen years of the Congregational church in Shirley, arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen on Tuesday evening, where he remained over night, departing on Wednesday morning for New Haven to visit his son Joseph, who is a professor at Yale college. Before leaving town on Wednesday a number of his former parishioners called upon him to extend greetings. The Church Debt society of St. Anthony's church held its regular meeting on Tuesday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Fred S. Brown at the Brookside. The following program was rendered: Piano solos Miss Oma Wolf, Miss Doris White, Miss Anna Lougee and Miss Gertrude Provost; vocal solos, William J. Flynn and Miss Gertrude Provost. At a lively game of whist the following were prize winners: Mrs. C. R. White, 1st for ladies; Walter Desmond, 1st for men; booby prize, Mrs. Joseph C. Provost and John Louge, Jr. About sixty were present, including about a score of invited guests. The genial host and hostess served refreshments and dancing marked the closing features of the evening's festivities. All present claim the best time ever.

Miss Sophia Kane gets married on Monday. She has given up her position at the factory of the C. A. Edgarton Company, to take effect at the close of this week's work. Miss Kane will be succeeded by Mrs. Bessie Collyer.

Agnes Marion, six years of age, and Elsie Gallion, five years of age, are confined to home with diphtheria. Reed Chesbrough of this town, and Miss Margaret H. Baker, of Leominster, were united in marriage in Leominster on Monday evening. They will make their home with his sister Sunday at the home of Mrs. George H. Wilson. The ceremony took place in St. Leo's church, Leominster.

The Choral society held its regular meeting in the Altrurian club rooms Tuesday evening and elected the following officers: E. H. Sullivan, of the Industrial school, president; William J. Flynn, v. p.; Ralph Livingston, treasurer. A cantata by Arthur Sullivan, entitled "A trial by jury," is being rehearsed and will be staged in Odd Fellows' hall in the near future. Meetings will be held every Tuesday night in the Altrurian club rooms. Mrs. W. O. Goodwin, of Leominster, is the teacher.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ellis, of Pacific Grove, Cal., arrived the first of the week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Herbert E. Lawrence, Center road, for a visit of about a week. Mr. Ellis is a brother of Mrs. Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Luther Holden, of the Center, spent last Saturday and Sunday with their son, Fred Holden and family, of Shrewsbury. The Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church held its regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Bessie Collyer. Miss Minnie Hobbs, of the Center, read a paper on Syrian missions.

The Matrons Aid society held its regular meeting on Tuesday afternoon with Mrs. A. W. Woods of Woodville. At the close of the business hour refreshments were served and social time enjoyed. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. A. Adams, next Wednesday.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Baptist church will hold a baked-bean supper in the vestry on next Wednesday evening. Supper served from 8.30 to eight o'clock, followed by a social hour.

Dr. and Mrs. Percival Miller, of Harwich, with young son Donald, are expected to arrive at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Ezekiel Wilson this Saturday for a few days' visit. Mrs. Miller was formerly Miss Hannah Wilson, a former resident.

At the First Parish church on Sunday morning Rev. William H. McKee, of Cambridge, will supply the pulpit. His sermon on "Changing means and changing purposes" last Sunday was full of enthusiasm and good thought.

Miss Loretta Shearer and Mrs. Francella Lane, who have been spending a few weeks at the home of their sister-in-law, Mrs. Hattie Shearer, Leominster road, returned to their home in Warren on Thursday, making the trip by auto in charge of Alfred Shearer.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. James McMillan, of Lowell, on Wednesday afternoon. Mrs. McMillan was formerly Miss Eva O'Neill, a former well-known and respected resident of this town.

The Shirley Athletic club has rented Ned Harkins' poolroom and will take possession sometime next week and will then be open to the members and their friends only.

A large number of our people will attend the Oriental pageant to be given in the town hall, Ayer, on Thursday and Friday evenings, November 19 and 20.

Brotherhood Meeting. The Brotherhood of the Congregational church held its first meeting of the season on Tuesday evening in the church vestry. An oyster supper was served at 6.30 under the direction of the following committee: Walter Knowles, Albe E. Annis, Roy Birchstead, Henry W. Elmsner and Leslie Wells. The ladies who assisted in the kitchen were Mrs. Walter Knowles, Mrs. Henry W. Elmsner and Mrs. Albe E. Annis. At the close of the supper a brief business session was held and the following officers were elected to serve for the ensuing year: E. Thornton Clark, pres.; Frederick H. Fowler, v. p.; Leonard Hooper, sec.; Eugene Livermore, treas.; the officers, pastor and John G. Conant, ex. com.; Walter Knowles, John N. Stevenson and Herbert W. McCoy, membership com.

The following is the special program of the Anti-Saloon League, which was rendered last Sunday at the Sunday school session of the Baptist church: Song, "The Anti-Saloon war song," school; responsive reading by superintendent, Miss C. M. Peneseau; prayer, pastor, E. S. Burket; solo, "Little tearful eyes," Mrs. F. E. Peneseau; reading, "The drunkard's dream," Mae Bradford; recitation, "Sing a song of a country's going dry," school; recitations, "This you," Bertha Peneseau; "My story," Ruth Nelson; solo, "Bring back my flag," Mrs. F. E. Peneseau; recitation, "My first speech," Arnold Hoagwood; song, "Is that somebody's school?" readings, anecdotes of Robert Lee; readings, anecdotes of Abraham Lincoln, G. R. Hoagwood; unveiling of Lincoln-Lee portrait by pastor, followed by signing of pledges and special collection; song, "God save our state," school.

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HOLLIS, N. H. News Items. Miss Annie Newton, who has been boarding with Mrs. Henry Goodwin, has gone to board with Miss Avilla Hardy. Jerry Bell lost a valuable horse this week, the animal becoming entangled in his hair in such a way that his neck was broken. Mrs. Henrick, from Manchester, state secretary of the New Hampshire Sunday School association, visited the Hollis Sabbath school last Sunday. It being rally day there was a large attendance. Mrs. Henrick was a very interesting speaker and tried to impress the audience on the importance of attending Sabbath school, not only on rally day but to attend on every Sunday in the year.

Miss Minnie Colburn had the pleasure of going to Manchester last week to hear Miss Mary Antin lecture.

Mrs. Gerould, from Goffstown, has been in town and attended the 100th anniversary of the organizing of the Ladies' Reading and Charitable society, which was celebrated on Monday, November 9. The program was very interesting and was as follows: Instrumental music, Mrs. Flanders; scripture reading and prayer; address of welcome, Mrs. French, pres.; historical paper, Mrs. Canavan; vocal duet, Miss Bertha Hayden and Miss Eastman. Mrs. Bancroft from Pepperell and Mrs. Smith from Nashua were present. Greetings were read from Mrs. Davis, Portland, Me. Refreshments were served at the close of the program.

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GROTON.

News Items. The first meeting of the sewing school will take place in the town hall on Saturday afternoon, November 21, at two o'clock. Mrs. Lawrence would be glad to have a few more teachers as several of last year's teachers are unable to come. Snow on the mountains made us all feel chilly on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Adams have gone to Northern New York, where Mr. Adams makes an annual trip looking up the turkey supplies for Thanksgiving. Arrangements will be made for those members of the Grange who wish to take the sixth degree at Memorial hall, Melrose, Friday evening, November 27, beginning at eight o'clock. Those who wish may go to Boston at 10.09, 11.04 and 11.21. The Book and Thimble club was entertained this week Friday by Mrs. Louis H. Clark. The Woman's club meeting was held on this week Friday afternoon under the leadership of Mrs. Hanson, Massachusetts commissioner of measures and weights, spoke on "Honest weights and measures."

almshouses, met the other state inspectors in Boston on Thursday. It was a very interesting and useful meeting, with a lunch at the state house. Mrs. Mary S. Gould, of Bath, Me., is in town for a visit among different friends. Mrs. Barbee A. Miller has gone home from the hospital, where she was operated on about two weeks ago. Mrs. Arthur G. Kilbourn with little son William has returned from a recent visit to her mother in Toronto. George S. Knapp spent several days this week at Providence, R. I., attending the New England Fruit Show held this fall in that city. It was a good show, wholly of apples. Mr. Knapp made five plate exhibits and won two first prizes and one second prize. Of the first prize winners, one was McIntosh Red. This Saturday Stephen W. Sabine, who came some two or three years ago to make his residence in Groton, became a Benedict, having won for his bride the beautiful Miss May Lawrence, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Lawrence. Miss Lawrence is highly esteemed here in her native town and there are none that do not wish her happiness. All feel that Mr. Sabine is a most fortunate young man. A trench is being dug across the road to take the town water into Jerry L. Denahy's house recently bought of C. A. Corey. Mrs. Juliet Stone, mother of Mrs. Woolley and Mrs. Moors, with whom she lives, is more comfortable. Any cattle, sheep, other ruminants or swine going at large, being driven, led or transported on the streets of Groton should be immediately held up and the person in charge of the same placed under restraint unless such person is in his possession a permit issued from the Department of Animal Industry, duly authorizing him to move such animals as are above referred to on the public highways. The above, received from Boston headquarters, is given out by Chief of Police Dowling. The Groton Camphire Girls are to reorganize with Miss Edith Waters as guardian. The next supper and entertainment at the Baptist church will be Thursday evening, November 19. Supper as usual at 6.30, under charge of Miss Annie Floyd, chairman of committee. Entertainment to follow under charge of Mrs. A. D. Holmes, chairman. At the Baptist church on Sunday the pastor will preach at 10.30 in the morning on the subject of "The power of the word," and at seven in the evening, his subject will be "The holy city." The preaching will be preceded by a bright praise service. All those who saw the Oriental pageant play here last February will be glad to take advantage of the opportunity to see the same production given by the local people of Ayer on Thursday and Friday evenings, November 19 and 20. Seats on sale at Hill's drug store, Ayer, Monday, November 16. Contract Let. The building committee have let the contract of building the new schoolhouse to be erected on the vacated Abel Lawrence lot on Hollis street to Fellows & Burkworth, of Greenfield. Plans and specifications being all ready the work is to move along as rapidly as possible. Stakes were driven on Tuesday. The schoolhouse is to be 150 feet long and when finished is expected to meet all up-to-date requirements and be satisfactory in every way to the public. It will stand on a conspicuous position and will be attractive in appearance. The land, containing something less than two acres, will furnish an ample and safe playground for the school children. The schoolhouse is now the case at the present Chaplin schoolhouse. The sale of all the buildings—house, shed, barn and all foundations—of the Abel Lawrence place on Hollis street was completed last Saturday afternoon. The purchaser, Charles H. Dodge, was given ten days to move the same and the work of moving was well under way by the first of the week. The new site is to be on Champlain street, where Mr. Dodge owns a lot. Lecture Well Attended. There was a good-sized audience, estimated at 300, attended the meeting in the town hall on Tuesday evening held under the auspices of the Grange and Bird club. The program was as follows: Selection, Grange orchestra; trio, Mrs. Tyrrell, Miss Tyrrell and Mrs. Bishop; selection, orchestra; song, Miss S. P. Hill, West Groton; illustrated lecture, E. H. Forbush, closed by the singing of "America."

The lecture by Mr. Forbush, entirely on birds, was entertaining and instructive, calculated to arouse and engage interest in their habits and show their great usefulness in the destruction of pests, harmful to man, such as moths, grubs, field mice, weed seeds, etc. The illustrations were very clear, life-like and beautiful. There were pictures of different kinds of birds and hawks, which is a great grub eater, was not forgotten; also, the robin, bluebird, vireo, humming-bird, wren, bob-o-link and other common birds so familiar to everybody—all shown in their natural surroundings. Of the latter, which is the bird downy south, the speaker said he asked of southern sportsmen at one time how many they had bagged that day. "About a thousand" was their answer. It would seem that if this was no unusual result of a shoot, it was a good explanation of why our rickety Robert of Lincoln is not with us in numbers as plentiful as in some former years. Lawrence Academy Notes. Vesper services will be held at the academy chapel Sunday at five o'clock. The speaker is Rev. P. H. Cressey. Mr. Hobbs will render a violin solo. The public is cordially invited to this service. Saturday afternoon Lawrence will play Lowell Textile on Shumway field. This is the last game to be played in Groton this year and it is hoped there will be a large attendance. The management would also like to have a liberal contribution to help defray the expenses of the season. Lawrence defeated Holy Cross 2d last Saturday, making its fifth victory for the year. Friday the Gamma Beta society had a very interesting meeting. The question for debate was: Resolved, "That the United States government should own and operate the railroads." The Lawrencian was edited and read by Bruce. The Gamma Beta Literary society of Lawrence academy met last week Friday in the academy chapel. The meeting was opened by the singing

of the school hymn. Then followed a paper prepared by a historical sketch of the school by the president, Russell Davey. Young Lochlinvar from Scott's "Marmion" was given by Alexander Douglis. This was followed by the debate, Resolved, "That the woman should have the right of franchise and the right to ballot." The affirmative was represented by Messrs. Tanner and Raymond; while the negative was represented by Messrs. Gray and Gay. The judges decided in favor of the affirmative. The award was given by Mr. Waldron. The historical sketch of the school given by the president, Russell Davey, will be published as soon as we have space for it. Supper and Entertainment. Every seat at the different tables for the supper at the Congregational church on Thursday night was taken. The musical part of the entertainment by the orchestra consisting of Messrs. Adams, Barrows, Folkins and Miss Barrows, and the piano by Miss Gibson and Miss Benson were all excellent and applauded by the audience. The special attractive part, one that would make the sociable particularly remembered, was the talk by Mrs. Mary Palmer Warren. Mrs. Warren greeted the old friends and others of her native town who were before her with her usual pleasing cordiality and made a most admirable and entertaining chaperone as she took the company with her on her trip to the tropical countries south of us. The ship made her first call at the beautiful city of Havana, but what Mrs. Warren saw in Cuba, Porto Rico and the many other places visited cannot be given in detail here. The audience found her talk extremely interesting and instructive. The last place visited was the beautiful Bermuda, then the return trip north, ending finally at her home city of Boston. Mrs. Warren, which is the country around she found, reposing under a white, soft blanket of spring snow—a sharp but not unpleasant contrast to the tropical luxuriance and heat of the countries she had visited. 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Mrs. Edward Hallett is quite ill and in care of her physician, the cause being a severe attack of indigestion. Edward Webber, who was quite ill on Thursday, is now recovering from the treatment of the family physician. On Monday Dr. Kilbourn, the school physician, visited the schoolrooms here to note if any symptoms of diphtheria had manifested themselves among the pupils. We understand that no serious trouble was apprehended though the examination was made as a precautionary measure. Deaths. On Monday afternoon about one o'clock, after a very short and painful illness, Charles Parkhurst passed away at the home of Dr. Bowthorpe in North Shirley, where for some time he had taken his meals, Mrs. Parkhurst having been in the hospital for a number of months. Mrs. Parkhurst was around her home seemingly the same as usual on Sunday and his sudden death on the following day came as a great surprise to West Groton people. Charles Parkhurst was a native of Groton, but he had notified his rapidly failing health during the past year. Charles Parkhurst was born in Westford, January 8, 1863, and would have been fifty-two years of age on his next birthday. He was a painter and thoroughly understood his trade. He lived for a number of years in Ashburnham and while there lost his wife and little daughter. Of the two sons left to him the younger was given in infancy for adoption, the older, Ralph, has taken up his father's trade and is located in Groton. Several years ago Mr. Parkhurst married Mrs. Alice Brown Kittredge of this village and most of their married life has been spent here. Besides a wife and son Mr. Parkhurst leaves a brother Fred, who is living at present in West Groton; also three sisters, Mrs. George Woods and Mrs. Blood, of Groton, and Mrs. Torrey, of Brookton. The funeral service was held at the chapel on Thursday afternoon, November 12, at 10 o'clock, Rev. J. P. Trowbridge officiating. Miss Susie Hill sang "Beautiful home somewhere" and "God be with you till we meet again." Interment was in Westford. Little Elizabeth McCherle, whose illness from diphtheria was reported last week, died in Lowell hospital on Sunday afternoon. The attack was violent and from the first the child was extremely ill. She was a fourth grade pupil, eight or nine years of age, and will be sadly missed by her teacher and schoolmates. About a year ago she came to live permanently with her grandparents. This is the second grandchild that Mr. and Mrs. McCherle have lost within a few months, with the same dread disease and much sympathy for the mother and for the older little girl who watches her sister's death so keenly. The father and several younger children live in Boston, but the death of both Little Elizabeth and her mother had left the little girls doubly motherless.

LITTLETON.

News Items. The hoof and mouth disease among cattle is causing much interest, if not anxiety, among owners and dealers. The milk supply in Boston has been somewhat diminished and the wholesale buyers report much fear of difficulty in meeting the demands of their customers this winter. Mrs. C. A. Hosmer is entertaining her friend, Miss Eaton. Supt. Hill reports that there are in town thirty-three Italian children under twelve years of age that he knows about. There may be more. Several young Italian boys and girls between the ages of twelve and twenty-one live in town. One-third of the West primary school consists of Italian pupils. These facts are of interest, especially in connection with those given by Mr. Davis, who addressed the Woman's club Monday on "Immigrant work." The high school pupils are preparing to give an entertainment soon for the benefit of the United States Edison disk graphophone which is to be purchased and used in the schools. Miss Miriam Davis is directing the music and the pupils under her are preparing a musical sketch of "The village blacksmith" which promises to be very fine. There will be other features equally entertaining and the grade schools will help swell the fund by some kind of an entertainment at another time. On Wednesday evening the new pastor of the Congregational church, Rev. J. C. Alford, will occupy the pulpit. He was tendered a reception in the vestry which was made very beautiful in its decorations of evergreen trees and pink paper chrysanthemums. The other societies were invited and a good number responded to the invitation. In the receiving line with Mrs. Alford were Mrs. Dea, and Mrs. E. S. Kimball and Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Houghton. During the evening there was a delightful ensemble music by the orchestra, the Misses Flegg and Miss Sears. Refreshments of coffee, cake and cream were served and a brilliant social success was generally reported. The war has awakened great interest in questions relating to the future of the race. By request, the words of Christ in the two great predictive chapters, will be the subject of the morning service at the Baptist church on Sunday. Mrs. Maud K. Caulkins and Mrs. H. B. Sauter are in Worcester attending the silver jubilee, the twenty-fifth annual convention of the Massachusetts Sunday school association. Beginning on East Sunday evening the Baptist C. E. society will occupy the entire time of the evening service. This society has recently raised and paid the amount apportioned as its share toward the headquarters building soon to be erected on Beacon hill Boston. William Halpin is serving in Cambridge court as jurymen and George Smith is taking his place at the station. Mrs. Mary Foley is having electric lights installed in her house on Goldsmith street. Littleton Grange neighborhood with Boxboro last evening most of the party going in Mr. Eber's auto truck. A fine evening in the Littleton Grange furnished the entertainment in part. A warm welcome and a good supper made valuable contributions. Arthur Fairbanks, head director of the Museum of Fine Arts in Boston, and Mrs. E. K. Harrington, were guests of his sister, Mrs. J. C. Alford. Nathan Taylor has a new automobile and is taking much pleasure in learning to run his car. F. S. Kimball's new horse was found dead in his stall last Saturday morning. Evidence of his having been the second horse Mr. Kimball had lost recently and between these two deaths occurred the loss of a valuable cow that was choked with an apple in the pasture. Mrs. S. H. Jewett has continued to have very sick spells and is very weak. Mrs. Albert Bradley, of Great road, has been very ill with pneumonia. The crisis is past and conditions are now favorable to recovery. Most of the teachers at the Union school building went home for Saturday and Sunday. Friends of Mr. and Mrs. E. L. Boynton will be glad to know of the safe arrival of a little cherub from Baby land. The new baby, born on the birth from November 10, and will answer to the name of Dorothy Irene. Both mother and daughter are doing nicely. A special town meeting was held last Saturday evening with George A. Carter as moderator. At that time it was voted to appropriate \$300 for the purpose of house connections for electricity for the new applicants on Hartwell street and Great road. The previous vote to extend the town water system to Hinghamville and E. P. Sheehan was rescinded. It was voted to extend the water system to the Harwood farm on Foster street, the J. H. D. Whitcomb house on Russell street and to D. G. Houghton's on Elmwood street was carried. The proposition to extend the system to Nathan Taylor's and P. M. Harwood's on Mill road was voted down. The Grange will meet on next week Wednesday when the third and fourth degrees will be conferred. Littleton Grange neighborhood with Boxboro last night and gave the entertainment. Mrs. Mary Foley is having her house wired for electric lights. Many will be interested to know that Miss Chapman will present her Oriental pageant with a cast of over 150 people in Ayer, Thursday and Friday evenings, November 19 and 20. Secure your seats early. Backlog Club. The Backlog club lighted its 33rd backlog in the Unitarian vestry on Thursday night. The usual large assemblage of persons of various creeds was present and after the payment of dues by club members, marched to the Harvard hall where a most inviting and awaited keen appetites. A delightful social hour accompanied the feasting. The new president, Chas. F. Watts, in his characteristic easy manner, extended greetings and introduced the toastmaster, Jonathan H. Harwood, who ably sustained the reputation of the family in after-dinner speaking. The speakers were all very delightful in their witty remarks and kept the audience in the best of spirits throughout the evening. They were as follows: Miss Alice M. Howard, clubs for women; Miss Dorothy Priest, Camp-fire Girls; Clifford Shedd, the ladies; Mrs. Alice P. Hartwell, the men; Mr. Esther Lovejoy, school ideals; Rev. James C. Alford, the war and religion. To this was added another very

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The evening was a most successful and very brilliant opening of the new club season. Lyceum. The lyceum opened Tuesday evening very auspiciously. The hall was crowded and extra seats had to be brought in. Musical and non-musical critics speak alike in the highest terms of the entertainment given by the Mauder sisters' orchestra. It was the best program of its kind given in the lyceum for many years. Cornet solos, flute and piano solos with piano accompaniment, whistling solos, cello solos, vocal solos, violin and flute duet, humorous readings, and orchestral numbers were all equally good and won repeated applause. Should the Mauder sisters come to Littleton again they would be sure of a much larger audience than that of Tuesday evening, as their praise has been so loudly sounded from everyone who was fortunate enough to attend this concert. Entertainment. The Choral society gave a splendid entertainment in town hall last Friday night and although there was not a large company present, some eight or ten dollars was netted. The musical part of the program included chorus singing by the ladies, chorus singing by the gentlemen, vocal solos by Miss Gladys Woodbury, Messrs. Hibbard, George Smith and Karlton Priest and mandolin solo by Miss Love. Accompanists were Mrs. Christie, Mrs. Prouty and Miss Love. A piano solo was also given by Miss Elsie Whitney. This feature was well given and pleasantly received. Refreshments in the lower hall followed and dancing completed the evening's entertainment to twelve o'clock. Mrs. Prouty, Miss Grace Needham and Miss Whitney played for the dancing. The Choral society appreciates the patronage it has received in the past and asks for the cooperation of all who are interested in the good work of the organization. Plans for the winter will be announced later. Woman's Club Meeting. The auditorium at the Woman's club meeting was filled with interested members and guests on Monday afternoon when a program that appealed to everybody was given. Promptly at the appointed hour the president's gavel commanded attention and after the reading and acceptance of the secretary's report the following persons were admitted as members: Miss Henrietta Ewings, Miss Maud E. Sears, Miss Bertha Love, Miss Elizabeth Houghton, Miss Florence Whitecomb, Miss Esther Lovejoy, Mrs. Lucy F. Alford was admitted as an honorary member. The names of Miss Marion C. Taylor, Miss Edith Fletcher, Mrs. Edith Moore Jacobs and Mrs. Daisy Robbins Howard were proposed for membership to be voted on at the next meeting. The program of the afternoon was introduced very pleasantly by Mrs. Lizzie P. Stone, who gave a piano solo, winning much applause. Mrs. A. M. Parker read the very appropriate poem "Scum of the earth" by Robert Haven Schauflier, and Miss Bertha Love played a piano solo which was received with enthusiasm. Miss Howard, the president, introduced the speaker, Philip Davis, of the Civic Service house, Boston. Mr. Davis, who was born in Russia, speaks very easily and in well chosen English. In his comprehensive address he covered many points of interest relating to the work with immigrants in Boston, as he has observed it. The work of interpretation he considers one of the most important in the social service. The speaker outlined the work of civic clubs in Boston, the day previous, which included a concert attended by 2000 when a work of musical interpretation was accomplished. This was followed by a reception by the Mozart club of children, and in the evening was a meeting devoted to the interests of citizenship. Various organizations that carry on the work of interpretation were mentioned and the Civic Educational club, led by Harvard graduates, was described as illustrative of the contribution that American students are making to the good cause of enlightenment among the immigrants. The Civic Service house, organized in 1911, has for its object making its members reforming the members. These members are seeking for opportunities of self expression. Mr. Davis emphasized the importance of localizing the immigrants and knowing how many there are. There are no outbreaks among the representatives of nations at war. In its settlement work America is trying to teach its foreign population how to work with neighbors, not how to fight. The nation today seeks to contribute all it can to the immigrant for the sake of promoting a democracy. Following this address reports were given by the chairman of the different committees, who outlined work for the club. Mrs. Hartwell, for the drama committee, reported the progress in preparation of "A mid-summer night's dream," which is to be given in January. Mrs. Tenney, reporting for the music committee, gave the plans for a dramatic and the opera talk, and hoped that the Woman's club would assist, if necessary, in the introduction of a Victrola or Edison disk phonograph in the schools. She added that music had been provided for each Woman's club afternoon. Mrs. Mary Brown, representing the household economics committee, recommended the publication of a cook book by the Woman's club and the setting apart of a day when the school girls shall place on exhibition food made by them for which prizes shall be given by the club. The educational committee, through Miss Marion Flegg, chairman, recommended that the two senior girls in the high school attaining the highest rank be admitted to the Woman's club as honorary members. Mrs. A. F. Conant, responding for the civics committee, said that the next meeting had been planned and other suggestions would be materialized through the instrumentality of her committee. The next meeting of the club is scheduled for November 23, when H. L. Hubbard will give an opera talk "The Jew of the Madonna," assisted by one of his pianists. New Advertisements. LOST—On November 3, a Light Colored Airedale Dog, answering to the name "Burr." Collar bearing letters G. D. CUSHING, Groton, Mass. Five Dollars Reward. 1108 VIOLINIST—Soloist and Teacher, 12 years' experience, J. B. HOBBS, Lawrence Academy, Groton. 2118

Saturday, November 14, 1914.

AYER.

News Items. In the recount of votes cast at the state election for councillor, Henry C. Mulligan, republican, of Natick, gained one vote over John J. Hogan, of Lowell, his democratic opponent. The recount was made by the full board of registrars of voters in the selectmen's room last Saturday evening. M. E. Markham, chairman of the democratic town committee, represented Mr. Hogan, who had no representative. The recount was asked for by Mr. Hogan, who on the face of the returns fell about 300 votes behind his opponent.

Alfonso Collura, of Ayer, was indicted on the Essex grand jury last week for murder in the first degree, it being alleged that he caused the death of Salvatore Pulisella, at Ayer on October 4.

Two raids for intoxicating liquor were made at the Globe hotel, one on last Saturday and the other on Sunday. Nothing was found. The officers taking part in the raids were Chief Beatty, James I. Mills, Lyman J. Taylor, J. H. O'Connell and A. A. Fillebrown, deputy sheriff, all of Ayer.

The open season on deer begins on Monday, November 16, at sunrise, and ends Saturday evening, November 21, at sunset.

The fire alarm which has been temporarily sounded from the mill was connected again to the tannery whistle on Tuesday morning.

A regular convocation of Bancroft Royal Arch chapter of Masons will be held on Tuesday evening, November 17, at seven o'clock. Charles F. Johnson, district deputy grand high priest of the eleventh captial district will make an official visitation. He will be assisted by Albert A. Fillebrown, deputy grand captain of the host.

Mrs. Grace E. Winslow, who has been appointed as deputy, makes an official visit to Mary A. Livermore Rehobek lodge in Shirley this week Friday evening.

Doherty Brothers, the widely known iron founders, of Lowell, who were formerly engaged in business in Lowell, have moved to Ayer. A few men at the Chandler planer shop on Monday, November 23. They will continue to build the famous Chandler planer. Later, if conditions warrant, the firm will gradually increase. Owing to many conflicting stories about the matter a representative of this paper had a talk with William C. Doherty on Wednesday, when the above facts were given by the firm. The enterprise will be heartily welcomed.

The plaster work in the new block of J. J. Barry & Company was started on Thursday morning. The roof of the building is on and the brick work is completed.

Miss Pearl Carley, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. E. W. Carley, left for a two-months' visit with her uncle and aunt, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Wenner, in Washington, D. C., last Saturday evening.

The two Taft houses on Church street belonging to the E. T. Taft estate, have been sold to John Keegan through the agency of Thomas F. Mullin.

While William O'Meara was operating a circular saw at L. W. Phelps' mill on Tuesday met with the misfortune of losing a portion of his fingers of his left hand. Dr. Hopkins attended him.

The Unitarian Social Gathering met Monday afternoon with Mrs. Lyman Clark. Reports of the fair were given, which proved to be a financial success. An appropriate was made to the church.

The second meeting of the civic class was held on Thursday afternoon in the high school building. The lecture was "Switzerland, a typical democracy," and the speaker was Dr. A. Burleigh, ex-president of Tufts college. He is a fine speaker, a man of experience and great ability, filled and overflowing with his subject. The interest in the class grows, and it now numbers over thirty. The next meeting is in three weeks to avoid conflicting with Thanksgiving.

No new cases of scarlet fever have been reported this week. At the Washington street school a few pupils were sent home for a time to avoid any possible chance for infection. They report every morning for examination but will not take their places in the school until all danger is past.

Margaret Osgood, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George L. Osgood, is confined to her home with scarlet fever. The other daughters, Hilda and Priscilla, are kept from school, although they have not contracted the disease. The case is a mild one.

The next meeting of Capt. George V. Barrett camp, S. of V., will take place on the 20th inst. On November 15, December, the last meeting in November being omitted.

J. J. O'Brien has been away for a week or more on a trip to Rochester, N. Y., and other points in the Empire state.

Harbinger lodge started its fall campaign last week when the first rank was worked on a number of candidates. The lodge is planning for a big celebration in the town hall on Monday night, November 30, when the crack third rank team of Worcester will work the Knigh rank. It is expected that several lodge officers, as well as a large number of outside lodge, will attend.

Peter Tarbell, one of our oldest men in town, observed his ninety-first birthday on Sunday, November 8, and Miss Kate Lynch presented him with a birthday cake of generous size. He had a number of callers who congratulated him on his birthday. Mr. Tarbell is in the enjoyment of very good health for one so advanced in years.

Mr. L. C. Fairchild returned last Saturday from Cleveland, Ohio, where she spent four weeks. L. C. Fairchild has started a new enterprise in manufacturing safety razor blade sharpeners at his home on East Main street.

Recent visitors in town included Rev. Albert W. Clark, of Schenectady, N. Y., at the home of his mother, Mrs. Marie Clark; Mrs. Flora Ricker and son and Miss Grace Hollis, of Somerville, at the homes of Francis and Augustus Lovejoy; Mrs. Joseph Sargent, of Providence, R. I., with relatives.

"Reporter Jimmie Intervened," a two reel picture, will be the leader at the movies this Saturday. Other good ones will be "Broncho Billy's fatal joke," "The chief of police" and "Shipper Slim's inheritance," the last named a farce comedy. Good singing

and good music. Remember there are two shows, one at three and the other at eight o'clock.

The next meeting of the Ayer Woman's club is an "Arts and crafts day," November 18, at the home of Miss Blood, the president. There will be a talk on "Hand weaving" by Mrs. Bertha B. Shattuck of West Acton, and music. Ladies are requested to bring their work; also, articles for the arts and crafts exhibit.

The next meeting of the W. R. C. will be held on Tuesday afternoon, November 17, at two o'clock, when the inspecting officer, Miss Emma I. Ober, of Lowell, will be present to inspect the corps. All members are expected to be present. Refreshments will be served.

Mrs. Byron Murphy has returned from the Groton hospital, where she had been some time for treatment.

The following persons from Ayer attended the Pomona Grange meeting at Lunenburg last week Thursday: Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Lovejoy, Mr. and Mrs. James M. Boutwell, Mrs. Gorham K. Brooks, Mrs. Jennie Leahy, Miss Lillian A. Wright, Mrs. Grace M. Rymes, Miss Clara Bell Scripture and Albert Weldon.

Henry Donahue, who was so seriously injured in an elevator accident in Fitchburg several weeks ago, is visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Donahue, of Park street. He is still affected by the injuries he received and it will be some time before he entirely recovers.

Sunday school at the M. E. church at ten o'clock. Franchising at eleven. Subject, "The P. church member." Evening service at seven. Prayer meeting Friday evening at 7.30. The members of the young ladies' class have charge of the meeting this week.

Hartwell hose company will hold their sixth annual concert and ball in town hall, Thanksgiving night, November 26. Music by Poole's orchestra of Boston.

Deaths.

Sainford Barton Preble died at his home last Sunday after a short illness of pneumonia. He contracted what at first appeared to be a slight cold last week Monday and on Tuesday he went to bed. The next evening his condition grew more serious. Pneumonia developed and he gradually failed until the end.

Mr. Preble was born in Northridge, Vermont, March 7, 1838. He was one of four children of Warren and Phineas (Bowden) Preble. He married Miss Susan E. Oakes on January 28, 1868, in Mars Hill, Me. He came to Massachusetts in 1875, and for fifteen years was employed at the Harvard Shakers and had charge of the herb house there. With the exception of two years that he spent in Fort Fairfield, Me., he has lived here ever since. For twenty years he was engaged in the trade of house painter, being in business for a part of that time for himself.

Mr. Preble enlisted on November 20, 1861, when not yet twenty years of age in Company C, 15th Maine Volunteers, under Captain McKinstry, and later Capt. Isaac Dyer. He was the fourth of his family to enlist, two brothers and his father having enlisted before him.

The winter following his enlistment was spent in Augusta, Me., training in the snow and living in tents. On March 7, 1862, the company started for Ship Island in the Gulf of Mexico. From here the company took part in the capture of New Orleans, afterwards doing duty at Port Hudson and Texas, and later in the Red River expedition. Afterwards Mr. Preble's regiment was brought to Virginia to take part in the battle of Gettysburg in the fall of 1862. General Early's raid in the Shenandoah Valley caused his regiment to be sent to Washington and up the valley made famous by Gen. Philip H. Sheridan's ride. The following spring, while marching to join in the siege of Richmond, came the news of the surrender of General Lee, which meant the close of the war.

For over a year afterward he was stationed in South Carolina, aiding in the work of reconstruction and was mustered out of the service on July 5, 1866. For over two years of the last part of his service he was the bear of the flag which is now in the capital at Augusta, he having been appointed a sergeant on July 1, 1865. Mr. Preble's term in the service of his country was the unusually long one of nearly 8 months, 16 days and he was in eight regular engagements. He received disabilities in the line of duty by a fall from a horse. He was a past commander of the post.

He leaves besides his widow one daughter, Mrs. John L. Kinnison, of Ayer, and one sister, Mrs. Edward J. Holden, of Stoneham. Another daughter, Mrs. Frank Greenlaw, died in Ayer on August 20, 1889.

The funeral took place on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock from the Congregational church, Rev. Richmond Fisk, a former pastor of the Unitarian church, conducting the services. The members of George S. Hovey post, G. A. R., of which the deceased was a past commander, acted as an escort from the house to the church and to Woodlawn cemetery where interment took place. Dr. Fisk performed the committal service. A quartet consisting of Dr. B. H. Hopkins, E. O. Harlow, Holden C. Harlow and Frank Harlow sang "O Galilee," a favorite hymn of the deceased. "Gathering home" and "Nearer my God to thee" in a very impressive manner at the church service. The beautiful G. A. R. service was also performed at the church.

Mr. Preble, in addition to being a past commander of the George S. Boutwell post, G. A. R., was a past grand of Robert Burns lodge, I. O. O. F. and a member of Caleb Butler lodge, F. and A. M.

The members of George S. Boutwell post, G. A. R., attended in a body. The brothers were Edward E. Sawyer, past commander, and Com. John C. Davenport, representing the Geo. V. Barrett camp, S. O. V.; Robert Irwin, who represented Caleb Butler lodge, F. and A. M.; and George C. Peterson, who acted in behalf of Robert Burns lodge, I. O. O. F.

In the death of Mr. Preble the town loses one of its best citizens, and the fraternal organizations with which he was for years connected, a valued member. There was a large number of floral pieces.

Gilman Pillsbury Beverly died at his home on Cambridge street at four o'clock on this week Friday morning after a few days' illness, death resulting after an operation had been performed for an abdominal abscess.

Mr. Beverly was born in Nashua, N. H., September 8, 1846. Early in life he went to work for the Concord and Montreal Railroad Company, which was later merged with the Boston and Maine, being employed as a fireman and later as an engineer. Twenty years ago he came to Ayer and since that time has been steadily employed as an engineer in the yard here. His railroad service extended

over a period of nearly fifty years, during which time he was a popular and valued employee. He was married on July 4, 1869, to Mary A. Maxwell, a native of Carthage, Me.

Besides his widow he leaves one son, Howard M. Beverly of Ayer, and three daughters, Miss Millie M. Beverly of Ayer, Mrs. George L. Dodge of West Groton and Mrs. Edgar H. Sherman of Keene, N. H.

Mr. Beverly was a member of Penacuck lodge, I. O. O. F., of Nashua, N. H., of Capt. George V. Barrett camp, S. O. V., and an associate member of George S. Boutwell post, G. A. R., of this town. He was also a member with the Brotherhood of Locomotive Engineers.

Arrangements for the funeral had not been made up to the time of going to press.

Foot and Mouth Disease.

Owing to the prevalence of the foot and mouth disease among cattle the federal department of agriculture has issued an order prohibiting shipments of hay unless by permission of the local authorities. The sale of hay in any form is also barred without the necessary permit. This precaution is taken to prevent the possible spread of the disease which might be carried in this manner. Thirteen states are now under quarantine. Cattle shipments from Canada are also prohibited until the disease is stopped. Chief Beatty has received an order from Fred F. Walker, of Boston, commissioning him to inspect all neat cattle, sheep, other ruminants or swine are to be transported in any way or to be driven on any public way within the state except by the permission of the commission of animal industry. All dogs on any quarantined premises must be securely restrained during quarantine.

Teachers' Convention.

The twenty-second annual convention of the Northwest Middlesex Teachers' association held here on last week Friday. The largest ever attended: There were about 150 persons present during the morning session, practically all of whom were teachers or others directly interested in educational affairs. The program was well carried out in full and it was a most interesting and instructive one. The morning session was held in the Unitarian church, beginning at 9.15. The afternoon session took place in the high school building.

The following officers were elected: Herman C. Knight, Townsend, pres.; Elbridge Smith, Groton, v. p.; Abby Green, Harvard, sec. and treas.; Miss Francis W. Adams, Groton, and William C. Roudenbush, Westford, ex. com. Dinner was served in the Congregational church by the ladies connected with the church. The program was as follows:

An appointment of committees; music, songs with violins; "Ode to an Irishman," Gordon Temple; "An Irish folk song," Arthur Foote; Miss Holmes, soloist; Miss F. Adams, accompanist; Mrs. A. D. Holmes, accompanist; address, "Democracy and education," Dr. Charles Fleischer, Boston; music, songs with violin; "The Irishman's Toast," the Misses Holmes; song, "A perfect day," Carrie Jacobs-Bond; Miss Holmes, soloist; address, "The teacher's life," Mrs. Adelaide D. Billings, Canton; "Recent progress in school gardening," Clarence M. Weed, Lowell Normal; address, "The teacher's life," William C. Roudenbush, Westford, ex. com. Dinner was served in the Congregational church by the ladies connected with the church. The program was as follows:

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Interesting Meeting.

A meeting in the interest of woman suffrage was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Miss S. Adelaide Blood. There was a large attendance including ladies from Shirley and Groton. The program opened with several piano solos by Mrs. Augustus Lovejoy, after which there were three addresses. Rev. Richmond Fisk gave a forceful and convincing address, some arguments by anti-suffragists. Mrs. Margaret Scanlon, of Milton, spoke in the interest of peace and Mrs. Winona O. Pinkham, state chairman of the woman suffrage movement, gave the story of what has been done in Colorado, where woman suffrage has been in force many years, and in other western states where complete or partial suffrage is exercised. At the close of the meeting this committee to organize and continue the work in Ayer was formed: Mrs. Sarah D. Barry, Mrs. Susan M. Barker, Miss S. Adelaide Blood, Miss Mary E. Johnson, Mrs. E. E. Johnson, Miss Madolin R. Whitney and Mr. Fisk.

District Court.

Steve Taylor, of Groton, was found not guilty of cruelty to animals last Saturday and was discharged from custody.

Joseph Garaczka, of Westford, was found guilty of assault and battery on a woman in a public place in Groton last Monday evening, and in court on Thursday morning was fined twenty dollars. The evidence, which was obtained mostly through an interpreter, showed that the assaulted party was watching a fight among several poles, and that during the melee the defendant struck him in the face, inflicting two bad wounds. The defendant claimed that a knife was used on him, but the claim was refuted by the other witnesses.

Frank Aldrich, of Townsend, will appear this Saturday morning for alleged violation of the liquor law in that town.

Pagant Play.

Work is progressing most satisfactorily in the oriental pagant play which is complete in parts. The entire spectacular production will be given both Thursday and Friday evenings, November 19 and 20. The costumes are very attractive, many of them being made of the most expensive material and they add much to the beauty of the stage settings. The unusually large cast of local people, numbering over one hundred and fifty, are working with much interest and spirit for an artistic production and the management feel grateful to all who have responded so heartily.

On account of the elaborate nature of the production the audience is earnestly requested to be seated before eight o'clock that the play may begin promptly at that time and that the first part may not be marred by confusion. Then too, the living statuary, a novel and attractive feature of part one should be seen by all. Many people are expected from the adjoining towns and they, as well as our townpeople, will be interested to know that reserved seats go on sale at Hill's drug store Monday at nine a. m., November 16, and those who have bought advance tickets of the Alliance can exchange them for reserved seats on the above date.

The entire production will be given under the direction of Alice Endors Chapman.

Wedding.

Miss Emma Louise Green, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Newcomb L. Green, of this town, and John Edward Adams, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Adams, of Shirley, were united in marriage at the home of the bride on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. J. W. Thomas, of the Baptist church, performed the ceremony, the single ring service being used. Mrs. Lawrence Burleigh Smith, of Somerville, a sister of the groom, was matron of honor, and Mr. Smith, her husband, acted as groomsmen. Miss Harriet Adams, of Shirley, a sister of the groom, presided at the piano. William Stewart, of Leominster, a cousin of the groom, and Robert M. Green, of Ayer, a brother of the bride, were the ushers. A reception followed the ceremony, refreshments being served. The wedding couple received many useful presents. After the reception they left on their wedding journey and upon their return they will make their home in Shirley.

The bride was employed for several years in the C. A. Edgarton suspension street in Shirley and was for the past few years organist at the Methodist church here.

LITTLETON.

Miss Jennie Bruce, who lived formerly in Littleton, had been a guest of Mrs. Abbie Tuttle this week and on Friday evening she was the guest of joyed meeting, old neighbors and other friends.

A number of the Village Improvement society has prevailed upon Supt. Tyler of the Boston and Maine railroad to have seats placed outside the station at the West End.

Senator-elect Charles A. Kimball and Mrs. Kimball attended the sixth annual banquet at the Union Congregational church in Westford on Tuesday night. Mr. Kimball was one of the speakers of the evening, taking for his subject, "The church as a social center."

Leo Labean and family have moved from Littleton, Conn., to the house recently vacated by the Feyley family.

Very interesting letters have been received from John Hennessey from Stratton where he has a position on the largest farm in that state raising only fancy breeds of cattle. Mr. Hennessey was formerly employed by Fred Stillis.

William Crockett has returned to his home in South Berwick, Me.

Clyde Stetson and family have moved to Groton where he has accepted a good position.

Hunters report very good success around here. Mr. Crossley bagged a fine specimen of a fox last Saturday.

Mrs. M. E. Somes, who has been visiting relatives in New Bedford and vicinity, returned home on Tuesday of this week.

Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb has been suffering from tonsillitis this week.

SHIRLEY.

Center.

Miss Ruth M. Graves, of Royalston, who attended the teachers' convention in Worcester on last week Friday, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. R. Graves.

The Shirley Center Camp-fire Girls held a ceremonial meeting on last Saturday evening with Miss Ethel M. Holden. Five of the girls who have attained the rank of wood-gatherers received their rings at this meeting.

The Girls' Sewing Guild of Trinity church held a pleasant meeting on last Saturday afternoon at the home of Marie and Helen Bradford. The next meeting will be held on Saturday, November 21, at the home of Mrs. H. F. Grout on Parker road.

Miss Sara A. Dunn, who has been staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Wyman since her return from Europe in September, returned to New York city last week for the winter.

The social dance which was held in the town hall last Saturday evening was not very largely attended on account of the weather and the lack of advertising. Another dance will be held under the same management on Saturday evening, November 28, in the town hall. The music will be the same, Perry's orchestra, of Ayer.

William Wood, of Reading, was a visitor at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard one day last week.

Clarence Clark of Nashua was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves over the week-end. Mr. Clark is being congratulated on his splendid recovery from a fracture of the spine, which he nearly a year ago, the plaster cast having been removed last week.

Ralph I. Evans of Franconstown, N. H., spent the week-end at home. Mr. Evans has his portable sawmill at Franconstown in operation now and the work of sawing was started last Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. David B. Marsh, Mr. and Mrs. Edward Adams, John Bohanon and Ernest Bohanon went to Nashua, Sunday, to attend the funeral of the six-weeks-old baby of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hayward of Nashua.

Mrs. Merle Crockett is spending a few days with relatives in North Leominster.

Fourteen members of Shirley Grange attended the meeting for the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Grange at Lunenburg last week Thursday.

The Matrons' Aid society were pleasantly entertained on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lida Wood at Woodsville.

Mr. Parson of Groton School conducted the service at Trinity chapel last Sunday afternoon. Rev. Sherrill Billings of Groton School will conduct the service on Sunday, November 15, at 3.15 p. m.

Ednton Ward, who has been making a short visit at the home of his grandfather, Daniel Bartlett, on Clark road, left on last Friday for Winter Haven, Fla., where his parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. Walker Ward, are making their home.

Mrs. Anna F. Dakin and her mother, Mrs. Felton, have closed their summer home and gone to Cambridge for the winter.

Mrs. Gideon West at Woodsville, who was struck by an automobile near her home last week, is getting along nicely. Mrs. Fred Fry is caring for her during her illness.

The next meeting of Shirley Grange on Tuesday evening, November 17, will be open to the public. For this meeting the lecturer has secured a speaker who will speak on "Grass and alfalfa."

Forrest B. Wing has nearly recovered from a badly wrenched wrist (Haughton) in football series. Mr. Wing's team is the winner of the series and each member of it will receive an individual cup.

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TOWNSEND.

Presentation of Tablet.

The Methodist church of Townsend, standing on a commanding eminence in the center of the village with a stately and architecturally proportioned belfry, has a grand history. Therefore, the impressive services held at this church last Sunday morning in connection with the presentation of the historical tablet given by the Monday club was of more than ordinary interest. The pastor, Rev. Geo. R. Moody, delivered a brief historical sermon concerning the founding of the town and erection of the first house of worship and the present church building.

After the regular services the congregation and members of the Monday club who were present assembled outside the church entrance for the presentation of the tablet. Rev. George R. Moody offered prayer, followed by the presentation by Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren, who said: The citizens of this town are justly proud of this fine old church edifice. The passing of time has not lessened its claims when for the first time the noble proportions, its architecturally beautiful steeple meets the eye "What a fine old church!"

To answer the stranger's question as to its history and as a memorial to those struggling God-fearing men and women, the first settlers of this town who laid deep and sure the foundations of civil and religious freedom enjoyed by us today, the Townsend Monday club has, by your permission, caused to be made and placed on this church a tablet whose inscription is an epitome of the church's history.

It is my pleasure at this time to present to the Methodist Episcopal church of Townsend, on behalf of the Townsend Monday club, this historical tablet. I am glad at the same time to thank the church for allowing us to set up another landmark in this town's religious history.

Rev. George M. Newhall responded in a feeling manner, accepting the gift in behalf of the trustees and organizations of the church. In closing, the hymn, "Faith of our fathers," was sung. The tablet bears this inscription: Methodist Episcopal Church, First Church of Christ in Townsend Erected on Meeting-house Hill by the Congregationalists about 1722. First Minister, Rev. Phineas Hemenway.

Rebuilt in 1771. Removed to this spot and remodelled 1894. Occupied by the Orthodox Congregationalists until 1829, when, passing into the hands of the Unitarians, it was at intervals used by this and other sects. Finally became the property of the Methodists in 1852. First pastor, Rev. Horace Moulton.

Other tablets have been given by the Monday club, one placed on the Congregational church bearing the name of the church, pastor and hours of worship, and one with the name "Townsend public library" on the library at Memorial hall.

Center. John Dobson, postmaster, and his daughter, Miss Helen, have taken rooms at Mrs. S. S. Haynes' home on Main street. They will remain with Mrs. Haynes during the winter months.

It was reported on Monday morning from all locations in town that snow could be seen on Watatic Mountain.

Married in Ridgewood, N. J., on November 1, Miss Emma Lillian Burage, of Lunenburg, and George F. Moody, of Ridgewood, N. J. Mr. Moody is superintendent of schools at Glen Rock, N. J., and the oldest son of Rev. and Mrs. George Moody, of this town.

The Methodist convention for men of New England, met in Tremont Temple, Boston, November 11, 12 and 13. Rev. George R. Moody, pastor of the Methodist church, attended.

The New England Telephone Company changed the central office headquarters on Monday from the room over Samuel Wood's store to the room recently vacated by Mrs. Clark's variety store.

Mrs. Cora Turner Spaulding, of West Groton, spent Saturday in town calling on relatives and friends.

Mrs. Bertha Richardson Collins and children, of Little Rock, Arkansas, are staying for the present with Mrs. Collins' parents, Mr. and Mrs. Levi Richardson.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Hill have moved into Mrs. Mary Sherrin's house on Brookline street.

Mrs. Lucy Lowell has moved into the Howard cottage recently vacated by O. L. Drake.

Charles Howard, of Worcester Polytechnic, spent Sunday with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Howard.

Union S. Adams has been improving his place toward the railroad station by surrounding it with an edge stone and fence. He has also driven his well twenty feet below the old well.

Dr. Ethel Rockwood has returned from the Orthopedic hospital, Baltimore, Md., and will remain at her home here until December.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Finnegan and little daughter Rosalie, of Milton, N. H., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. John Finnegan.

At the Grange on Monday evening, November 9, the first and second degrees were conferred upon a class of candidates.

Mrs. L. U. Clement and her sister, Mrs. Henry Miller, spent a few days in Worcester this week, attending the silver jubilee of the Massachusetts Sunday School association.

At the last meeting of the Dorcas class held with Miss Emily Lawrence, of Townsend Harbor, a very pleasing feature of the afternoon was the nature study guessing contest, 125 specimens of plants and flowers being guessed upon by the members as to their names. Miss May Parker won the prize for guessing the names of the largest number of plants.

The name of Lester Swicker should have been given in last week's issue with the other members of the new orchestra.

Rev. A. L. Struthers will exchange pulpits on Sunday morning with the Baptist minister, Rev. Joseph McKean, at West Townsend. In the evening the Young People's society topic will be "Magnify the C. E. pledge." The meeting will be in charge of the lookout committee.

West. Carl B. Willard spent the week-end with relatives in Boston and vicinity. There was no school here on last week Friday, as the teachers attended the teachers' convention in Ayer on that day. Miss Bertha Reed went from there to her home in North Reading, where she spent the week-end.

Mrs. Lewis Eaton, of Middleboro, wife of a former pastor of the Baptist church with her little son, are spending a few days with friends in town. Mrs. Stella Hadley, from Charlestown, has been a recent guest of Mrs.

Maude Lawrence at Charles Farwell's.

Mrs. A. D. Winship and son Adron have been spending a few days in Marlboro.

The Misses Bell spent a few days last week with friends in Milton, N. H. Herman L. Stickney, station agent, is quite ill, suffering from an abscess upon his hand.

Mr. and Mrs. George Withington, who recently moved to the Center, have returned to their tenement in Miss Chloe Brown's house on lower Main street.

Miss Annie Murphy is enjoying a visit to the home of Mrs. S. W. Upton, of Josselynville.

Mr. Proctor and family, from Ashby, have moved into one of the tenements in the Bennett house in Josselynville.

Bert Phelps and family have removed to Greenville, N. H., where he will be employed for the winter.

Mrs. Willard Mills, of Josselynville, has entered the employ of the Belgrade rug factory.

Miss Ruth Harrington, who taught the primary school here last winter, spent the week-end with Mrs. Lucy Lawrence, returning to Pepperell, where she is teaching, on Monday.

Rev. Joseph McKean of the Baptist church will exchange pulpits with Rev. L. Struthers of the Congregational church at the Center on Sunday morning, and in the evening his topic will be "What the community owes to the church."

Mrs. Nellie Newhall, of Ashby, has taken one of the tenements in the Beehive, owned by Oscar Lovering.

Edward Patch, the Kady brothers and Mr. Rosenberg, of Boston, took an auto trip to this village on Monday evening to go on a coon hunt. They enjoyed a night's hunting but were obliged to return without a coon.

Wilbur Z. Sherwin celebrated his sixty-seventh birthday on Wednesday and was given a surprise party at the home of his daughter, Mrs. R. S. Ely. Those present were his children, Alden, Ivers and their families, Clarence Sherwin and family from the Center, Mr. and Mrs. Ely and household, and Mrs. Clara J. Wood and Mrs. Lizzie Glazier, old friends of the family. The affair was a complete surprise to Mr. Sherwin and he enjoyed the evening in his usual good fashion. He was presented with a beautiful bouquet of flowers and a sum of money, the presentation being made by Dr. R. S. Ely in an able and appropriate speech. Refreshments were served and games and music filled in the evening.

The Ladies' Liberal Aid society met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Alexander Reed and held a very interesting meeting.

Mrs. Hattie Blood is entertaining her daughter, Mrs. Carroll, from Boston, at her home this week.

The case of Mrs. Herman Wood against Herman Woods for the support of their child was settled out of court on Tuesday when Mr. Wood agreed to the maintenance of his daughter. Mrs. Wood and Ella are at present stopping with relatives in Boston.

Mrs. Robert Thompson has closed her home on upper Main street and moved to the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Tenney, where she has taken a room.

The Ladies' Study club will hold their regular fortnightly meeting at the reading-room on Monday evening, the topic being "The war between Mexico and the United States." The leader will be Mrs. George Adams.

Miss Helen Bennett, who has been with relatives in Westford for the past few months, is spending her vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bennett.

Mrs. Herbert Wise is enjoying a week's visit with relatives in Boston and vicinity.

The telephones here were out of commission for two hours on Tuesday afternoon on account of the moving of the telephone exchange to another office at the Center.

The invitation to the silver jubilee of the state Sunday school convention was received by the Baptist Sunday school, but no delegate was appointed.

Mr. and Mrs. James Newton, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank D. Parsons, have returned to their home in Malden.

The Ladies' Baptist Benevolent society will hold their annual fair and entertainment in Seminary hall on the evening of November 20. An excellent program is being prepared consisting of vocal and instrumental music, and readings by Henrietta Clark Bemis, an elocutionist from Concord, N. H., a graduate of the Emerson School of Oratory in Boston. The usual sale of aprons, fancy work, candles, ice cream and cake will take place and mystery boxes will be in charge of Mrs. Herman Lawrence.

Miss Gertrude Hamilton celebrated her thirteenth birthday at her home on Stevens' Hill last week Friday afternoon by entertaining a party of her little friends and schoolmates and the afternoon was passed most pleasantly with games and a good time and refreshments were served. One of the interesting features was cutting the birthday cake which one slice off contained a sum of money and Miss Bixby was the lucky finder of that slice.

Annual Roll Call. The Baptist church held their annual roll call and rally on Thursday afternoon and evening of last week and it was one of the most successful yet held. The program commenced at 3.30 with an opening hymn, followed by scripture reading and prayer by the pastor, Joseph McKean, who also gave a few words of welcome to the assembly, about forty being present, including Rev. and Mrs. George Moody of the Methodist church, Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Struthers of the Congregational church at the Center, and Mrs. Walter Wilder, Fred Wilder and the Misses Ina and Alice Wilder from the Center.

Miss Nellie Tower, clerk of the church, called the roll, after giving a brief account of the work of the church for the past year and reporting her members to be seventy-five. Twenty-eight responded to their names in person and eighteen by letter, among them being Dea. L. F. Wood, the oldest member of the church, aged ninety-eight years, who wrote a most pleasing letter from the home of his daughter, Mrs. George Ball, of Concord, Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Stevens of Stevens' Hill, and Miss Georgianna McKean from Brattleboro, Vt., responded by sending a poem to be read in answer to their names.

After the roll call the pastor delivered a brief but very helpful address and remarks from the visitors were enjoyed after which came the social hour, followed by a bountiful supper

served in the vestries under the auspices of the L. B. S. Misses Gladys Rawson, Agnes Thompson, Bertha Reed and Miss Blaisdell acted as waitresses and the tables were very delightfully decorated with evergreen and red berries, each guest receiving a button hole bouquet as a souvenir. After supper, at which about seventy-five were served, the meeting adjourned upstairs where the evening service was held with a large attendance. Special music consisted of an organ voluntary by Miss Emma H. Adams and an anthem "Nearer my God to thee" by the choir. Owing to the unfortunate fact of missing his train Dr. Hugh Heath, from Boston, who was to deliver the address, was unable to be present and Rev. George Moody of the Center kindly took his place, giving a most pleasing address on "Things to be thankful for," and Rev. A. L. Struthers also delivered a brief address along the same line. A beautifully framed portrait of one of the old deacons and benefactors of the church, the late Dea. Isaac Warner of the Center, which has been recently presented to the church, was given a place of honor in front of the pulpit and reference was made to his faithful life and strong affection for the church during his life.

New Advertisements

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

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by MARY A. L. STRUTHERS who prays that her said testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the first day of December A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the newspaper published in said County, to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eleventh day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. 310 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of HARRIET R. C. PARSONS late of Groton in said County, deceased.

Whereas, GEORGE STEVENS, the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the eighth day of November A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Groton Landmark newspaper published in said County the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, 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-seventh day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. 318 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of JOSHUA BIXBY late of Groton in said County, deceased.

Whereas, JOSHUA BIXBY the administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-fourth day of November A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

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

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixth day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. 315 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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

Whereas, WILLIAM F. DENNEN administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court his petition for license to sell at public auction the whole of five parcels of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-fourth day of November A. D. 1914, 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 all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive weeks in the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this third day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. 319 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of GRANVILLE FAIRBANKS late of Shirley in said County, deceased.

Whereas, GEORGE A. LOVERING administrator of the estate of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-fourth day of November A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Shirley Oracle, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, 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 first day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. 319 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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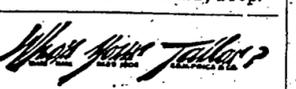
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BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

Town meeting day was bright and fair and the voters turned out in good numbers, many coming from out-of-town by train, auto or carriage. Capt. John Andrews very kindly drove to the homes of some of the older men and carried them in his carriage to the polls that they might cast their vote. Nathaniel Hobart, only ninety-three years young, was there bright and early to cast his vote. Eldorus Shattuck won for representative and no-license won by a large majority.

Mrs. George Bridges had the pleasure recently of riding by auto to Peterboro with Mr. and Mrs. H. O. Hadley. Mrs. Minnie Holcombe accompanied them as far as Temple.

The Loyal Workers held their last meeting at the home of Mr. Frank Barber on Townsend hill. It was a most successful meeting and lots of work was accomplished. There were eight guests and about eighteen members present. It was voted to hold a fair in the near future and the different committees were appointed. Miss Walker served hot chocolate.

Mr. and Mrs. George Nye have returned from a three-weeks' in Sandown. While there they enjoyed many motor trips to nearby places.

Our neighbors over the border in Townsend are doing some hunting these days. Frank Barber caught a coon, William Hale a fox that had been causing the neighbors considerable trouble, and Will Copeland caught four coons, one of which weighed nineteen pounds.

Last Saturday night a young man very much under the influence of liquor, tried to make a disturbance at the postoffice and had to be locked up. On Sunday morning it was discovered that he had forced the cell door, climbed through a window and had made his escape. He has not been recaptured as yet.

E. E. Campbell had the misfortune to lose a horse recently.

Mrs. Susie E. French extends her sincere thanks to all the friends and neighbors who so kindly assisted her in her preparations for leaving town.

Mrs. William Dodge entertained Mrs. Charles Marston and Mrs. Annie True, of Hampton, from Friday to Monday.

Carl Cochran was a visitor in town last week Friday.

When Freeman Wright went to examine his traps one morning recently he found a big wildcat in one of them. He killed it and sent it to a Boston firm.

Clarence Bartlett journeyed over 200 miles to Berlin on last Monday in order to cast his vote there on Tuesday. He remained there the rest of the week visiting friends and old neighbors.

Wendell Taylor has gone to Worcester for a few weeks.

Frank Maynard, of South Brookline, has gone to the hospital in Nashua to undergo an operation for stomach trouble.

Mrs. Belle Hall had the pleasure of entertaining Mrs. Elmer Wallace, Miss Lizzie Whitcomb and Dr. Ethel Rockwood of Townsend on last week Friday. Dr. Rockwood has but recently received her degree.

Friends have received word from Mr. and Mrs. William French of their safe home and returned to Boston. The warm pleasant fall, after a most pleasant motor ride of about eighty miles. They had an expert driver and so easy and comfortable they ride that Mr. French, who is an invalid, slept part of the way down. They left here on Thursday morning at 11:30 and arrived there at 5:45 in the afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Balley entertained friends at their home on last week Tuesday.

Mrs. Perry Porter and daughter, of Fitchburg, have been recent guests of Delbert Porter.

The bodies of Russell and Edna Strong, the infant children of Mr. and Mrs. Willard E. Strong, formerly of this town, were last week removed from the West End cemetery and sent to Vassalboro, Me., the present home of Mr. Strong, and placed in the cemetery there.

A meeting of the Samaritan Commandery, U. O. G. C., was held at the home of Mrs. S. E. French on Tuesday evening, November 3.

Miss Ellen Sawtelle has closed her summer home and returned to Boston. The warm pleasant fall, has kept many of the summer people later than usual.

An entertainment will be given for the benefit of the Townsend Hill Improvement society in Daniels' academy building on Saturday evening, November 14. The entertainment will consist of readings, vocal and instrumental music and a farce. "Two ghosts in white."

LUNENBURG.

An Address.

Last week was an unusually busy one for the usually quiet town of Lunenburg. On Wednesday evening in the supper hall there was rehearsing for the program to be given at the afternoon session of Pomona Grange on the next day. In the lower hall an interested audience gathered to listen to an address by William Orr, the deputy state commissioner of education. He proved a very entertaining speaker and held the closest attention of his audience for nearly two hours. Among his hearers were supt. of schools, H. L. Knight of Townsend, the school committee and nearly all the teachers of this town and many citizens, who are especially interested in schools and school work. He talked of the problems of the school of today and the best way to meet them, of the methods of teaching, of the best ways to awaken the interest of the pupils in the various lines of school work and many important lessons that are best learned outside the schoolroom, in communion with nature, the woods, running brooks, birds, etc.

At the close of the address he was given a cordial vote of thanks.

Pomona Grange. On Thursday, the November meeting of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Grange was held in the town hall. The forenoon was taken up with reports of previous meetings, of work and conditions and prospects in the various granges represented. Some of them had held a successful school exhibit, others a course of lectures, adding to their building fund thereby, and others have a series of competitive entertainments planned for the coming winter evenings.

The welcome was given by the lecturer, Lewis L. Harrington and the response by the treasurer, Herbert L. Hill of Fitchburg. This was followed by a discussion of "Things Profitable and Satisfactory," which included animals, crinoids, books, amusements, etc., in which a goodly number had

a part and proved of great interest and profit.

At noon dinner was served by Lunenburg Grange.

The afternoon session was open to the public and was called to order at 2 o'clock. A little of the morning program left over was finished, then there was a solo with piano accompaniment by Mrs. Brackett of Townsend, a reading by Mrs. C. E. Woods of Lunenburg, then a farce, "The triumph of chivalry" by members of Lunenburg Grange, and a reading by Edward Riley, followed by a lecture from past state master, George S. Ladd of Sturbridge, in which he told many interesting things which he had seen and learned in his travels all over the country. Another song from Mrs. Brackett and the meeting closed to open again at seven p. m. for a stereopticon lecture from Mr. Ladd and this was open to the public until eight o'clock when the Grange closed for regular work and conferring the life degree. The pictures were very clear and good and the lecture very interesting.

Woman's Club. On last Friday afternoon the Woman's club met in the chapel at the Methodist church and was attended by forty members and several visitors. It was expected that Rev. Robert F. Leavens would speak upon "Modern poets," but he had a call to attend the funeral of a relative and could not keep the engagement. It is hoped he may give his address at some other time. It was voted to establish an anti-alcohol bulletin and a year's subscription for the posters to be placed in the town was also voted.

The president gave a report of the box of clothing and toys which had been sent from the school to the children of Belgium and it was also voted that the club take up some branch of work for the aid of the sufferers in the war zone and a committee was chosen to look up the matter and procure material for work.

At the next meeting of the club on November 20 a food sale will be held for the benefit or in connection with this work with the object of providing a fund of funds necessary to carry on the work.

A very neat program for the season has been prepared and every member is entitled to one. Those who have not received one can obtain it from Mrs. Edwin J. Smith. An invitation was received from Shirley club and from Fitchburg club to attend one of their meetings and delegates were chosen.

Rev. Mr. Noon offered a suggestion that the club keep a scrapbook of current events, particularly in regard to items of the war, and Mrs. Ellen S. Parker was chosen to have charge of the work. Refreshments were met in the Congregational vestry on November 20.

News Items. On Friday evening the long talked of mock trial was held in the upper town hall, under the auspices of the high school. As this was the first time there had been an entertainment of this kind much interest was manifested and the hall was filled and judging almost continual laughter and applause everybody was glad they were there. It was full of fun from beginning to end and the local hits were irresistible and most decidedly to the point. After the trial cake, ice cream and candy were on sale and there was promading until 11:30 when a special car took the people from Whalom and Fitchburg to their homes.

The W. C. T. U. held their annual all-day meeting on Wednesday, November 11, to work for the sailors, making comfort bags and preparing articles for filling them. A number of the delegates to the state convention at Lawrence was also given.

The new hymn books for the Congregational church were received last week and in the pews last Sunday, and were used during that service for the first time. Everybody seemed very much pleased with them. The Pilgrim Hymnal was the one selected.

The Congregational Sunday school chose delegates to the state Sunday school convention beginning at Worcester on Wednesday as follows: Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Bryant, Mrs. Ellen S. Parker, Mrs. Edith Harley, Miss Mary P. Hadley and Miss Nellie M. Jewett.

The new school opened on Monday morning with Miss Nellie Jones as teacher, who will have charge of it until Miss Blanche Lancy can take it on Monday after Thanksgiving. There are thirty-nine pupils in this school now. Miss Florence J. Lowe and her school now occupies the upper story in the Center building.

On Friday morning of last week the teachers of this town went to Ayer by auto to attend a teachers' institute there in the interests of schools and school work.

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You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge on November 14, 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate herein, by mail, by placing the same in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Groton Landmark, a newspaper published in the County of Groton, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, first class, on or before the seventh day of October in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS

LAND COURT

To the Inhabitants of the First Parish or Religious Society in Townsend, in the County of Middlesex, and said Commonwealth; Orland D. Barber, Albert B. Brooks, James E. Brooks and Daniel W. Brooks of said Townsend; Herbert Farnsworth of Shirley, and Alden A. Tarbell, Everett E. Tarbell, Lydia A. Fraser and Harry D. Tarbell of Pepperell, in said County of Middlesex; Fernando Brooks of Lunenburg, in the County of Worcester; and said Commonwealth; Herbert L. Tarbell of Springfield, in the County of Hampden, and said Commonwealth; Perley L. Pierce of Brookline, George Farnsworth of Hollis, and Frederick Gerry of Franklin, all in the State of New Hampshire; George Brooks of Port Huron, in the State of Michigan; any heirs, devisees, or legal representatives of Samuel Brooks, Sr. late of said Townsend, deceased, not above named; and to all whom it may concern: Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court by George H. Kendall of said Townsend, to register and confirm his title in the following described land:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon, situate in the Northern part of said Townsend, bounded and described as follows: Northernly by the State line between Massachusetts and New Hampshire about two thousand and fifty (2050) feet; Westernly by the new road from Townsend to Brookline, New Hampshire about one thousand and thirty-five (1035) feet; Southernly by land of Orland D. Barber about two thousand six hundred and ninety-eight (2698) feet; and Easterly by the road over

Townsend Hill to Brookline, New Hampshire about seven hundred and twenty-one (721) feet. Containing forty-two and one hundred and two one-thousandths (42.102) acres of land.

The above described land is shown on a plan filed with said petition, and all boundary lines are claimed to be located on the ground as shown on said plan.

You are hereby cited to appear at the Land Court to be held at Boston, in the County of Suffolk, on the twenty-third day of November A. D. 1914, at ten o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the prayer of said petition should not be granted. And unless you appear at said Court at the time and place aforesaid your default will be recorded, and the said petition will be taken as confessed, and you will be forever barred from contesting said petition or any decree entered thereon.

Witness, Charles Thornton Davis, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-seventh day of October in the year nineteen hundred and fourteen.

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PEPPERELL.

About Town. Henry Letender has been unable to attend to his regular work, being confined to his home for a few days with a threatened attack of appendicitis. Edward Goggin has gone to North-ern New York for his Thanksgiving turkeys and probably a carload of horses. At the Methodist church on last Sunday evening the members of the Sunday school gave a temperance concert. The subject was the Lincoln League and the thirty numbers of song and recitation which composed the program were exceedingly well rendered and listened to with interest by a good audience. The committee in charge were Misses E. P. Tucker and Elizabeth McNayr of the music and Elizabeth McNayr of the recitations. The church was tastefully decorated with potted plants and the national colors. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Pillsbury and two sons attended the funeral services of Mrs. Pillsbury's sister, Mrs. John Chute, in Harvard, on Tuesday afternoon. An operation for appendicitis was performed on Mrs. Chute at the Groton hospital on October 28. There were complications about the case and on Saturday, November 7, another operation was performed. The patient was not strong enough to endure it and never rallied from the ether. Mr. and Mrs. Chute were former residents in town. She is survived by a husband and two boys; also, a sister, Mrs. Pillsbury, of this town, and Mrs. A. D. Reed, of Nashua, N. H. She was thirty-three years of age. Daniel Dunbar and family, of Oak Hill, moved to Fitchburg last week as he has secured work there for the winter for himself and son. Mrs. Mary Cuthbertson has been in town this week visiting at the home of her son, Spurgeon Cuthbertson, on Pleasant street. Her son-in-law, P. J. Tierney, of Fitchburg, who operates the large auto truck at the paper mills, was recently injured by a case falling and cutting a vein in his leg. Frank Goff, from Concord, has been at his cottage on High street, enjoying the hunting. The first two Sundays of the "Go-to-church" movement in town resulted in an increase in attendance in all three protestant churches. This was particularly noticeable on the last Sunday. The pastors have exerted themselves to interest the audiences and hope for still larger attendance on November 15, the last Sunday. Special music has been given; the choir at the congregational church, consisting of Mrs. Bliss, Misses Woods and Mr. Shattuck, assisted by a chorus of young voices, being especially fine. News was lately received by friends of Mrs. Alice Oulton, who has been living with her parents in Fitchburg since she married. She is now in the Rutland sanatorium for tubercular trouble by advice of her physician. Reba Foster picked some buds of trailing arbutus on one of the warm days just preceding the cold snap of this week. They were as well developed as though it were the middle of April instead of November. The death of Mrs. Elizabeth Fisher occurred on Tuesday, November 3, at her home on Park street. The deceased had been in poor health for some time and confined to her room most of the week preceding her death. She is survived by a son, Francis E. Fisher, of this town. The remains were taken to her native town, Boothbay, Me., on Wednesday for burial, accompanied by her son. Judson Willoughby and two sons, accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Carro, Robbins and the Florence Robbins, went to Leominster by auto on last Sunday to visit Wallace Willoughby and family. Mrs. H. C. Winslow, of Leominster, and her daughter, Miss Helen Winslow, who is visiting in town, New York city, was in town last week. Mrs. Arthur Elliott, who has been staying with her sister in town, Mrs. Bartlett, went back to Gardner last week and returned here on last Saturday with little Genevieve Bartlett, who has been with her grandparents for the past three weeks. Little Irene Stinerford, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Stinerford, has been quite ill with tonsillitis. Her grandmother, Mrs. M. R. Stratton, of Brookline, was summoned and came over on Saturday. Many of the town teachers attended the teachers' convention held in Ayer on last week Friday, the schools in town being closed for that purpose. Mrs. W. H. Merrill and her sister, who has been visiting her, went to New York last week Wednesday. On Friday of last week, as there was a holiday for the scholars in town, about a dozen boys participated in a "hike" under the supervision of Rev. J. B. Lewis. Some of the lads were from ten years old and upward and the trip was made easy in consideration for them. Frequent stops were made and the end of the tramp, which was at Spaulding's camp near Townsend hill, was made in good condition. The cool air had given the boys fine appetites for the lunches which were carried and a fine afternoon was enjoyed in the grove. J. W. Fuller, of Burlington, Vt., is visiting his sister, Mrs. E. A. Hayward, having recently sold his farm near that city. If he finds a small farm in this locality when spring opens it is probable he will settle here. In the meantime he will visit here and at his old home in Nova Scotia, where an aged sister resides. Harry Hatfield and family recently moved into the Peck house on Crescent street, occupying the whole house. This leaves the lower tenement in Mrs. Hayward's house, formerly occupied by them, empty. Mrs. C. H. Beaulieu has sold her stock contained in the small corner store to Fremo Borgatti, of Nashua, who has already taken possession and added fruit. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Stacey have moved from Townsend Harbor recently and are now employed on the Page farm for G. T. Greenhalge. Albert Pillsbury was at his home from Monday to Wednesday from his duties at Durham, N. H., coming to attend the funeral of his aunt, Mrs. Chute, in Harvard, on Tuesday. Dr. F. A. Davis, veterinarian, has exchanged his last season's Buick roadster for a new one of the same type. Miss Mary Wilson has been visiting friends in Palmer and Southbridge the past week. Mrs. William Jewett entertained the L. B. S. on Thursday of last week at her home on Pleasant street. This was the first of a series of meetings arranged after the fashion in other towns, the proceeds from the small amount contributed by each guest going to aid the society. A social hour

was enjoyed, during which refreshments were served. The meeting of this week was held with Miss Ellen Miller, Park street. Mr. and Mrs. H. W. Hutchinson are entering a new relative, Harry Loring, of Elmira, N. Y., well-known in town from former visits. Rev. J. B. Lewis attended the New England Sabbath school convention in Worcester on Friday. Leslie Reed, of Duxbury, was at the home of his mother, Mrs. M. E. Reed, on Main street, for the week-end. He graduated from the night school in Boston last year, having taken a course in civil engineering and now holds a good position with W. S. Johnson, who will be remembered as connected with the work of putting in the water system in this town. The E. V. S. club will hold a meeting on Wednesday afternoon, November 18, at the home of Mrs. S. E. P. Tucker on Main street. A. F. Parker and A. G. Pike attended a meeting of the Masonic order of Shriners in Boston on Tuesday evening, going in Mr. Parker's auto. O. B. Olsen, the poultry man, recently received notification of an embargo on shipping any more poultry into Boston until the state authorities deem it safe, on account of the spread of the hoof and mouth disease. This is in the same line as the precaution now taken in Chicago, where the disease originated, where they are even shooting the pigeons about the stockyards. Mrs. Sarah Patch has been confined to her home the past week by illness. She is not especially strong and contracted a hard cold when the change of weather came. Mrs. J. M. Graham was called to Derry, N. H., on Saturday by the illness of her little grandchild, convulsions being feared at one time. She returned home on Wednesday. W. E. Chapman moved his hay press on Wednesday from Mr. Rowland's barn, where he has been operating, to the Hancock farm in Groton, where he has the contract for about 200 tons. After attending the teachers' convention in Ayer on last week Friday several of the teachers from town went to their homes for the week-end. Among them were Miss Harriet Goggin, of Fitchburg; Miss Adams in Waltham, Miss Tucker in Reading, and Miss Hastings in Boston. Miss Ruth Harrington entertained her mother, Mrs. Harrington, of Lunenburg, on Tuesday; also, Mrs. Albin, wife of the pastor of the Methodist church in that place. They were visitors at her school in the afternoon. The annual concert and ball of Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., will be held at Prescott hall on Friday evening, November 20, music being furnished by the orchestra, of Marlboro. The floor director will be C. Will, and the floor, assisted by W. E. Chapman, G. Robbins, L. P. Shattuck, W. G. Rouse, J. C. Willey, John Fiske, G. W. Parker, Leroy Shattuck and Neal McWilliams as aids. The ladies of the Beacon lodge are to serve a turkey supper in the lower hall during the evening. The goods of Guy Greene have been finally removed from the Pierce cottage, Woodside. Mr. Greene is engaged in conveying passengers at Littleton by auto and taking out parties. The many friends of Marjorie Sherwood will be glad to hear that she recently rode out, going to Groton, in hopes to be able to discard her crutch soon. Mrs. Arthur Larkin, of Shirley street, has gone to Swampscott to visit her father, Everett Boynton. Cards are out announcing the engagement of Joseph J. Coppinger, Harvard '04, of Needham, to Gertrude Elizabeth McGrath, a teacher in the public schools of Holbrook, but formerly a resident of this town. King McFarland of Cumberland Mills, Me., was a week-end guest in town, visiting his mother, Mrs. Wm. Marshall, on Pleasant street. In company with Mr. Marshall he went to Fitchburg, Monday, to visit his half-sister, Mrs. Angus Cuthbertson. Ray Willoughby, who has been at home recently, started in this week at the Boston school, boarding with his brother at Lexington. Isaac Salter and family have moved from the cottage house belonging to Arthur Peck into the Carbo house, recently vacated by Mrs. McCormick. J. A. Frossard and Grant Palmer, his foreman, went to Northboro on Wednesday on business, going by auto. Mrs. Julia Lawrence, the nurse, is with a patient at Hollis, N. H., this week. Miss Catherine Coffrin of Bradford, N. H., visited in town this week, the guest of Miss Edna Kittredge and other friends. She is now postmistress at Bradford and was obliged to return to her duties on Wednesday. Louis Noel, who has been in town for some time past at the home of Julian Shattuck, has gone to live with his mother in Michigan. Henry K. Shattuck of Oak Hill visited his sister, Mrs. Adams, at Worcester, recently, returning Tuesday. He made the trip alone which was quite a feat for a man so advanced in years. The Ladies' Aid society will meet at their rooms on Thursday afternoon, November 19, to appoint committees and arrange the date of the regular winter sale. Rev. J. B. Lewis will give an illustrated lecture on "India," at the hall on Oak Hill on Monday evening, November 16, at eight o'clock. There are to be seventy-five colored slides, which will be ably explained by the lecturer and it is hoped that a good audience will be present to show their appreciation of Mr. Lewis' kindness. Lester Foss, son of Charles Foss, of this town, who recently graduated from the Lowell Commercial college, has a position as timekeeper at Boston and Maine repair shops at North Billerica. The news was received by friends in town of the recent marriage of Mrs. Etta W. Coffrin, formerly of Bradford, N. H., the event taking place in September. Mr. Coffrin is a well-known business man at Bradford, serving the town as selectman and at the present time is representative-elect from that district. The remains of Miss Catherine J. Purcell were brought here on Tuesday from Nashua, where she had passed away at St. Joseph's hospital as the result of an operation. The deceased was formerly well-known in town, being a relative of Mrs. Wm. Gardner of Dunstable. She was fifty-two years of age and leaves no relatives near the Gardner family, who were cousins. The remains were taken to the home of William C.

Gardner, on Franklin street. Services were held at St. Joseph's church on Thursday morning with high mass of requiem at 7.30 o'clock and the body was taken to Boston, where interment will be made at Holyhood cemetery, Brookline. Mrs. A. A. Felton went to Worcester Wednesday as delegate to the New England Sabbath School convention to be held in that city during the remainder of the week. Small Fires. An alarm from box 29, corner of Williams and Groton streets, was sounded on Friday afternoon of last week. It proved to be nothing but a small brush fire and was soon under control. If the alarm had been rung in correctly and five blasts rung first, it would have called out only the forest fire fighters instead of the whole department. Again on Sunday morning before seven o'clock the alarm was called out by an alarm from box 23, near the bathing church. This proved to be a chimney burning out in the house owned by Edward Goggin and occupied by Harry Holt and family. It was soon put out without much damage. By a little thought the expense of the whole apparatus responding to the alarm might again have been saved. A still alarm sent in to the engine house by telephone would have probably resulted in just enough firemen with extinguishers, and that of Chicago, where the disease originated, where they are even shooting the pigeons about the stockyards. Diastrophic Fire. Early Monday morning fire was discovered in the stable on the premises of the late Dr. William Merrill at the Center. Mr. and Mrs. Willis Chase, the caretakers of the place, were alone in the house, as Mrs. Merrill left last week. They were awakened at about 2.30 o'clock by the sound of the horse threshing in his stall. Going to the window Mr. Chase found that the west end of the stable was all in flames. He rushed from the house without a barefoot, and rung in the alarm at box 38 at the town house. In the meantime Mrs. Chase had hastened to the barn without waiting to dress and to enter it. The smoke was so thick that she could not see that she was nearly overcome and was forced to grope her way outside. Firemen and neighbors were soon on the scene and before the second alarm was sounded had succeeded in cutting the horse out with ropes, as it was no longer sufficed to stand. It revolved in the fresh air sufficiently to walk to the stable of E. S. Durant, where it has since been ill with pneumonia from the effects of the smoke and the exposure. Two cows which were in the box stall occupied by the horse were dead when reached, probably from suffocation, as they were not burned at all. A stream of water from nearby hydrants were soon on the flames, flooding the roof and hay. The pressure was hardly sufficient to throw above the cupola and the firemen resorted to ladders. This would be explained by the fact that the pumps are not started on Sunday and many are depending on the town water entirely and some are obliged to haul water from the standpipe for stock and family use. The streams were still on the fire among the hay up to the cupola and the recall was not sounded until ten o'clock. This is another proof of the value of the water system in town, as with the stable and the under way burning and wells practically dry, the adjacent houses in the square must have been destroyed if it had not been for the convenient water supply. The cause of the fire is believed by many to be a candle which originated in a pile of hay in the basement. There was a rumor, also, that before any alarm was sounded several in that vicinity heard some one running down Elm street and shouting "fire," but his identity or whereabouts has not been discovered. The damage to the stable was mainly at the west end and the walls there, and a portion of the roof and cupola. It is covered by insurance. Mrs. Merrill was notified in New York, but will not return at present, her relative, H. W. Hutchinson, being instructed to adjust matters relative to the disaster in her absence. Fine Supper. On Thursday evening, November 5, the Ladies' society of the Methodist church served a fine supper to about one hundred people in the vestry. The supper consisted of escalloped oysters and potatoes, served in various ways, fancy and plain pies, assorted cake and coffee. Following the supper reports from the Church Federation secretary were given, concerning the church recently planned by the committee. There were heart remarks by Rev. J. B. Lewis and Rev. D. R. Child and the address of the evening, "The value of the church in the community," was given by Rev. Oliver M. Wash of Worcester, district superintendent of the Methodist churches. His address was most practical and interesting, showing both thought and experience along these lines. The value of the church, as presented by the speaker, is inestimable. The second quarterly conference was held at the close of this session. Accident. On Wednesday afternoon, as Mrs. Frank Ryan was driving from her home on Oak Hill accompanied by her little son William, her young horse took fright and threw them both from the vehicle. The accident happened opposite the residence of Oliver M. Wash on Park street. Mrs. Ryan fell directly on her head and shoulder and when Mrs. Nash, who witnessed the accident, reached her, she was much shaken and confused. The little boy had rolled out unhurt. The injured woman was taken into the home of Mrs. Nash and restoratives given her, and as she began to suffer acutely in the right arm Dr. Heald was summoned. It was found that no breaks or dislocations had taken place, but her elbow was badly sprained and she had received several contusions. E. M. Stewart took Mrs. Ryan and the little boy to their home, as her horse had wheeled about and started for home immediately after the incident. He became tangled in the reins and fell near Mr. Flynn's house and was captured by him. The horse is only a colt, but has always seemed quiet and kind heretofore. Mrs. Ryan has done most of the work of breaking it and has handled it for nearly a year. There was nothing apparently very frightful about it when it sprang Mrs. Ryan was in an unprepared, driving with one hand and holding the child with the other. The vehicle was a two-wheeled one which she has used in training the colt and one from which one could easily be thrown. It is hoped that

the accident will not be lasting and will not diminish Mrs. Ryan's fine courage. Farmers' and Mechanics' Club. At a recent meeting of the Farmers' and Mechanics' club the following officers were elected for the ensuing year: W. E. Chapman, president; Augustus S. Shattuck, v. p.; Leroy A. Shattuck, sec.; Charles S. Spaulding, treasurer; P. J. Kemp and J. N. Andrews, auditors; E. S. Durant, Henry S. Gray, Dr. F. A. Davis, George W. Adams, Forrest Andrews, Lewis Robbins; Amos Mahoney, William Richards, Benjamin Brooks and A. A. Lawrence, ex. com. On Monday evening of this week there was a meeting of this executive committee. The members voted to appoint a committee to arrange for a plot of land which might be bought or leased for a term of years whereon suitable buildings might be erected for town fairs, shows, etc. Discussion followed concerning poultry show in town and if it seems possible to interest a sufficient number of patrons it will no doubt be arranged later. A regular meeting of the club will be held on Monday evening. It is especially desired that there should be a good attendance. Club Meeting. The Oak Hill Woman's club met on Wednesday afternoon, November 11, by invitation at the home of Mrs. Gustave Anderson in the old Ames place. The program of the afternoon was "The life and work of Sarah Orne Jewett." These were given by a series of questions and answers arranged by Misses Keith and Stewart. There were selected songs by Dora Rice and current events by Mrs. Lyman Blood. One of Miss Jewett's stories, entitled "Law Lane," was given by Mrs. Maudie Maxwell. The program as a whole was very interesting and the afternoon was especially enjoyable to the eighteen members and three visitors assembled. The hostess certainly did everything in her power to add to the pleasure of the social occasion and at her own expense a delicious collation to her guests. News Items. The Pepperell Woman's club will hold their next meeting at Saunders' branches on Wednesday afternoon, November 17. Subject, "The life of Palestine," by Frederic N. Williams. The particularly fine work done by the fire company last Monday morning in subduing the stubborn fire which destroyed the barn on the late Dr. Merrill's place, certainly deserves commendation. The men worked hard and bravely for seven hours before all danger was over and the family gratefully feels that it was entirely owing to their persistency and to the help of friends and neighbors who the fire was controlled and the house itself was kept from being even scorched. The attention of the members of Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., is called to this notice of the change of place for the meeting on November 19, which will be held at the Elm street residence in the chapter house. The hostesses of the afternoon are the ladies of the old home-steads committee, Miss Merrill, chairwoman. The board will meet at 2.30, the chapter at three o'clock. Mrs. and Mrs. James E. Attridge, Miss Helen Robbins and Hale Jordan spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Edward Scott Duffey at Putnam, Conn. They made the trip in Mr. Attridge's new touring car. Miss Ida E. Dow, of Boston, will be at Mrs. Martha Thompson's Saturday evening social, piano, voice and mandolin, and will give any one desirous of lessons from 6.30 to ten p. m., any Saturday. Fred S. Bancroft has been appointed by the state to look after the foot and mouth disease. His headquarters are at the state house, Boston. Many of the cast who took part in the Orpheus here last August will be interested to know that the same production will be given in Ayer Thursday and Friday evenings, November 19 and 20, and reserved seats will go on sale Monday at nine a. m. at Hill's drug store. A cafeteria supper will be served in Central hall on Thursday evening, November 19, from six to 7.30 o'clock by the following committee of the Ladies' Social club: Mrs. A. S. Woodward, Mrs. G. Dana Bancroft, Mrs. E. A. Reed, Mrs. E. R. Richardson, Mrs. Bertha Coburn. An operetta, entitled "The seven old ladies of Leominster Town" will be given at eight o'clock. Church Notes. Sunday will close the special Go-to-church campaign. Those in charge feel that it has been worth while and has called to the attention of many the duty and privilege of church attendance. Rev. John B. Lewis, the pastor, will preach in the Congregational church on Sunday morning at 10.45. Sunday school will meet at twelve. At seven in the evening there will be a stereopticon lecture on India, which is expected to be instructive and interesting. Rev. S. P. Cook, of Pittsfield, associate secretary of the Massachusetts Home Missionary society, gave an interesting account of his work at the Tuesday evening meeting. A service was held at the town farm last Sunday afternoon. Mrs. A. A. Felton and Rev. J. B. Lewis are representing the Sunday school at the annual state convention held in Worcester this week-end. Plans are on foot for an elaborate Christmas entertainment in which all the young people are invited to take part. "God's thoughts vs. our thoughts," will be the subject of the Methodist church on Sunday morning. At seven in the evening there will be a praise service and preaching upon the subject, "Chaff or wheat, which?" The bright hour service of the Epworth league will be held at six o'clock. Subject, "The call to heroic service." Leader, Mrs. P. R. Stratton. The meeting of the Knights of King Arthur will be held on Monday evening at seven o'clock. HOLLIS, N. H. About Town. Mr. and Mrs. E. H. Holmes, of Manchester, spent Sunday at H. P. Spaulding's. Mrs. G. Rogers left her summer home on Monday, going to Massachusetts for the winter. Mrs. Lilla Hardy has been spending a few days at the Richardson home. Richard Hardy was in town to attend the Dean wedding. The Whist club has reorganized for the winter. The first meeting was held on Tuesday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Messer. The

next meeting will be with the Bolton brothers. Miss Ruth Arlin, of Townsend, is at the home of her sister, Mrs. William T. McMaster. The W. R. C. held their annual inspection on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Hoyt, from Nashua, came to inspect the work of the corps and was greatly pleased with the way the work was performed. There were about twenty-six ladies present. Refreshments of cake, cookies, sandwiches and chocolate were served during the afternoon. Little Franklin Coburn, the son of Mr. and Mrs. Milton Coburn, entertained several of his little friends at his home on last Saturday afternoon with a birthday party. Mr. and Mrs. William E. Lund welcomed a little daughter into their home on Tuesday. Mother and child are both doing nicely and are being cared for by Mrs. Julia Lawrence, of Pepperell. Mrs. Beatrice Stimson is assisting in the housework. Miss Annie B. Newton has gone to Mrs. Arilla Hardy's to board for the winter. F. A. Lovejoy is having steam heat installed in his home. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Wetmore are taking charge of the Richardson place while Mr. and Mrs. William H. Dean are away on their wedding trip. Mrs. Francis Lovejoy is caring for Mrs. Brown at the home of Francis K. Sweetser. Mrs. Brown recently came helpless on account of a shock. Miss Emma Van Dyke and brother George expect to leave on November 20, for the south where they will spend the winter. The basketball season opens on this week Friday evening when the Hollis boys will play the Peterboro team in the town hall. Mrs. Laura E. Gerould, of Goffstown, was in town on Monday to attend the 100th anniversary of the Reading and Charitable society; and stayed over night, returning home the next day after calling on several of her friends in town. Mrs. Fred Bancroft, of Pepperell, was in town on last Saturday to attend the shower given Miss Minnie Bancroft by her many friends. Wedding. A very pretty wedding took place on Wednesday evening, November 11, at the home of the late Mrs. Charles Richardson, when at 6.30 o'clock Miss Minnie Altha Bancroft and William Herbert Dean were united in marriage by Rev. Robert M. French, the single ring service being used. The bridal couple were attended by little Audrey Bancroft, of Pepperell, cousin of the bride, who acted as flower girl, and Hannah French, daughter of the officiating clergyman, who carried the ring in the heart of a large chrysanthemum. Refreshments in which the party stood was made attractive by bunches of laurel leaves and by a banking of the same green with begonias and white chrysanthemums upon either side. Cut flowers and hemlock branches were the decorations used in the other rooms, while a roping of laurel twined the balustrade leading upstairs. The bride was charming in a handsome gown of white crepe with satin trimmings and carried in her hand a bouquet of white chrysanthemums. She wore the usual bridal veil and her only ornament was a beautiful string of gold beads, the gift of the groom. The groom was dressed in conventional black. The bride's gift to the groom was a gold beauty pin. He gave away suit was a handsome one of Copenhagen blue with black velvet hat and white plume. Refreshments of coffee, sandwiches, olives, cake and ice cream were served. The wedding cake which was made by the bride herself, was cut by her and each guest given a piece. There were about forty present, which included relatives, neighbors and the bride's association members in the Sunday school. Among the relatives present from out-of-town were the bride's father and his wife from Pepperell; also, an aunt and several cousins. Both bride and groom are well-known and deservedly popular in the town. The bride is very active and efficient in church and Sunday school work; also, in that of the club and the D. A. R., and is much beloved by the members of the church. She has been manager of the fine Richardson farm for some fifteen years. The presents were many and beautiful, including silver, cut glass and linen. The bride and groom departed amid a shower of confetti and were unknown, but will be at home to their friends after December 1 at the Richardson homestead, where all are glad to know they have decided to remain for the present. BOXBOROUGH. News Items. An apple social was held in the church vestry on last week Thursday evening. The supper consisted of apples prepared in various ways and the games and entertainment had the apple for the central theme. Frank Page, of Brooklyn, N. Y., is the guest of Mrs. Anna Page. Born in Gleasondale, Saturday, November 7, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Bramer. Mrs. Ada Durkee and Mrs. C. B. Robbins attended the meeting of the Pomona Grange in Hudson on Thursday. Rev. F. H. Vlets exchanged with Rev. J. F. Trowbridge, of West Groton, last Sunday. Mr. Trowbridge is an old friend of Mr. Vlets, having known him ever since he became a minister. He expressed his pleasure at seeing so many young people in his congregation. Mrs. Charles Waitt and Miss Mary Hager are having a very enjoyable trip this week. They went by auto to Clinton to stay over on night with the Hagers. From there they went to Worcester to attend the Sunday school convention, thence to Warren for a short visit with George Waitt's family. Mrs. Bertha Shattuck and Miss Laura Brown attended the reception given by the West Concord Woman's club to its president this week. Mrs. Albert Hartwell entertained her sister, Miss Laura Fitch, and a cousin, from Boston, for the week-end. Mrs. C. B. Robbins gave a colonial dinner on Sunday to the Albert Marble family, of Worcester, and a few friends in town. William Winton went to the funeral of his cousin, Edmund Stow, in Stow last Monday. Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, announces that all his auction sales of cattle have been canceled for the present on account of the prevalence of the foot and mouth disease.

AUCTIONS. Lawrence Morgan, auctioneer, will sell a lot of personal property by auction on Wednesday afternoon, November 18, at 2 o'clock, at the residence of the late Mrs. Lucy Ann Warner, Main street, Townsend. Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell by public auction, horses, carts, wagons, harnesses and a gasoline engine with bench and saw, all complete, together with quite a variety of small tools, the property of P. Malloy & Son, the well-known contractors of Waltham. The sale will be held on Monday morning, November 23, at ten o'clock. A. A. Fillicbrown, auctioneer, will sell on Saturday afternoon, November 14, at one o'clock, a lot of household furniture at the N. A. Spencer place, opposite the pumping station belonging to Henry Packard. There will be a special auction sale for the trustees of the personal property now or lately owned by Stearns Bros., Virginia road, Concord, on Friday morning, November 20, at ten o'clock, at the residence of the trustees. The sale will be sold first and Fred F. Walker, chief of the cattle commission for Massachusetts, will issue a special permit for each and every one to be delivered in wagons to the homes of the different purchasers. New Advertisements. Taxidermy. PHEASANTS AND PARTRIDGES. Will take a few good specimens to set up on reasonable terms. W. B. ROBINSON. Groton. TEAMING WANTED—By the Day or Contract. S. P. McKEAN, Groton, Mass. 1110. FOR SALE—A Young Cow (Farrow). Price \$35.00. S. P. McKEAN, Chicopee Row, Groton, Mass. 1110. CARD OF THANKS. We wish to thank the relatives and many friends for their kind words of sympathy and assistance at the time of our bereavement; also, for the beautiful flowers and cards which were sent and the death of our beloved wife and sister. John Chute and Family. Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Pillsbury, Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Reed. Harvard, Mass., November 12, 1914. LOST—Either on Main Street, Pepperell, or between Pepperell and Groton, a Gold Bracelet set with diamonds and rubies. Also, a ring, set with diamonds for its return to MRS. FRANK E. NEDY, Hollis St., Pepperell. 1110. REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank of Pepperell, at East Pepperell, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, October 31, 1914. Resources. Loans and Discounts \$134,631.75. Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 222.76. U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation 50,000.00. Other bonds to secure Postal Savings Bank notes (other than Stocks) 7,339.60. Bonds, Securities, etc. (other than Stocks) 116,038.54. Banking House, Furniture, National Bank notes, etc. 15,234.34. Due from approved Reserve Agents in Central Cities 28,612.12. Notes of other National Banks 1,550.00. Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents 55.51. Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie \$6,698.30. Legal-tender notes \$17,163.30. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 percent of circulation) 2,500.00. Total \$373,797.92. Liabilities. Capital stock paid in \$50,000.00. Surplus fund 50,000.00. Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes paid 5,234.34. Reserved for Taxes 609.00. National Bank notes outstanding 50,000.00. Dividends unpaid 26.00. Individual deposits subject to check 30,255.69. Time deposits payable after 30 days or after notice of withdrawal 172,423.98. Cashier's checks outstanding 316.13. Postal Savings deposits 1,649.78. Total \$373,797.92. 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 10th day of November, 1914. George G. Tarbell, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: I. J. Rowell, Arthur P. Wright, A. A. Shattuck, Directors. REPORT OF THE CONDITION OF THE First National Bank of Ayer, at Ayer, in the State of Massachusetts, at the close of business, October 31, 1914. Resources. Loans and Discounts \$438,491.99. Overdrafts, secured and unsecured 147.65. U. S. Bonds deposited to secure circulation 20,000.00. U. S. Bonds to secure Postal Savings Bank notes 10,000.00. Other bonds to secure Postal Savings Bank notes 89,950.00. Due from approved Reserve Agents in Central Cities \$4,860.22. In other Cities 95,163.26. Notes of other National Banks 785.00. Fractional Paper Currency, Nickels, and Cents 65.88. Lawful Money Reserve in Bank, viz: Specie \$23,027.05. Legal-tender notes 27,027.05. Redemption fund with U. S. Treasurer (5 percent of circulation) 1,000.00. Total \$687,491.05. Liabilities. Capital stock paid in \$75,000.00. Surplus fund 50,000.00. Undivided Profits, less Expenses and Taxes 42,142.66. National Bank notes outstanding 11,900.00. Due to other National Banks 3,431.28. Due to State and Private Banks and Bankers 616.94. Due to Trust Companies and Savings Banks 1,744.50. Individual deposits subject to check 497,104.71. Demand certificates of deposit 525.00. Certified checks 16.96. Postal Savings deposits 6,000.00. Total \$687,491.05. State of Massachusetts, County of Middlesex, ss: I, Howard B. White, President of the above-named bank, do solemnly swear that the above statement is true to the best of my knowledge and belief. HOWARD B. WHITE, President. Subscribed and sworn to before me this sixth day of November, 1914. Warren H. Atwood, Notary Public. Correct—Attest: D. W. Fletcher, Thomas L. Hazen, Wardo Spaulding, George G. Tarbell, Oliver K. Pierce, Directors.