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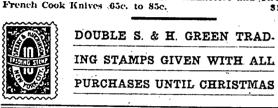
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HARVARD.

Sunday morning the sad news of the death of Mrs. Charles L. Clay, who died in North Dana on Saturday evening was received in town. She had lived here for thirteen years and was active in social and church work, as well as devoted to her home in-terests. Sincere sympathy is extend-ed to Mr. Clay and son Lancaster, a ed to Mr. Clay and son Lancaster, a high school student, in this loss which brings great sorrow to the otherwise happy home. Services were held at her late home on Tuesday morning, and interment was in Littleton, N. H., her birthplace, on Wednesday morning.

The funeral services of Mi-s Clara Whitney was held at the home of H. Whitney was held at the home of H. F. Whitney, her brother, on last week Friday afternoon. Miss Whitney has made her home in Ayer since the death of her mother and the breaking up of the home, and died in that town quite suddenly last week Wednesday. She was a person of ability and retinement, but owing to ill health for many years was not able to where for many years, was not able to share the world's work. H. F. Whitney, Mrs. Gertrude Kingman and Mrs. Evelyn Smith were the only ones re-maining out of the large family to pay the last tribute to her life and memory.

The union Christmas tree and entertainment will be held at the town hall on Wednesday evening. December 23, at 7.30 o'clock, to which people of all denominations are cordially invited. The general committee would greatly appreciate small contributions to help defray necessary expenses. The committee in charge of this eventual ways are supported by the committee of the seventual ways are supported by the committee of the seventual ways are supported by the committee of the seventual ways are supported by the committee of the seventual ways are supported by the seventual supported by t ning will be composed of Miss Grace

Walter A. Dickson started on Mon day morning last for his trip to Flori-da and return. He will be gone sev-eral weeks and will give a portion of his time to the thorough study of his time to the thorough study of conditions in the fruit regions of the southern states.

Miss Osce Webster, who has been at North Adams for the fall season, is at home with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Webster.

Schools closed this week for the Christmas vacation.

There will be a meeting of the Harvard Woman's Guild in aid of the Red Cross in the vestry of the Congregational church on Saturday, December 19, between two and four o'clock. It is requested that all work

Grange Notes.

The Grange held their last meeting of the current year on Tuesday evening. The entertainment was in charge ing. The entertainment was in charge and the decorations, a sort of a plaid of the new members and the committee was H. A. Thayer, Miss F. J. Amsden and Rev. C. S. Bodwell. The program consisted of a plano duet, Miss and Elizabeth (Wilder) Hutchins ments.

be returned at that time.

"Hans Von Smash." a catchy piece in which Fred Wrangham played the title role as Hans in a very clever manner. Miss Ruth Head, Mrs. H. T. Sommers, Miss Mildred Morse, Henry Waters, Hugh Waters and Thomas McNiff. Between the acts H. A. Thayer sang a tenor solo,. "They all love Jack." Reid and Mr. Thayer; two-act comedy, "Hans Von Smash." a catchy piece in

The Worcester-East Pomona Grange met, with Harvard Grange at the town hall on Wednesday. The morning ses-sion was devoted to the general busicers. In the afternoon Dr. Austin Peters gave an address on "The dis-eases of cattle."

The next meeting of Harvard Grange will be held on Tuesday evening, January 5, at which time the of-heers for the year 1915 will be installed. Meeting will open at eight

Still River.

Wendell B. Willard met with a painful accident a few days ago. He stepped on a rusty nail that penetrated his boot and entered his foot, and as a result he is laid up from work with a very sore foot, but hopes to keep blood poisoning from setting in.

There will be a Christmas concert Incre will be a Christmas concert in the vestry on Sunday evening and on Thursday evening there will be a village Christmas tree, and it is de-sired that it be understood that every-one in this vicinity, whether affiliated with the church or not, are invited to attend the exercises and to bring their

presents to the tree. Chester Willard has put in an electric motor to pump water when the wind fails to run the windmill.

Willard, Miss Josephine Baker, W. J.
Kerley and R. A. Reed.
George Wetherbee, from Ohio, has been visiting his brother this week.
Fred Wetherbee.

Abel Willard was unable to pump water from his artisian well for several days owing to some trouble with the pump, and had to haul water for his cattle, but it is now in running order again.

Mrs. Mary Haskell and son Edwin visited in Worcester on Thursday. of Denholm, McKay store in Worcester during his vacation from his studies at Colby academy, New London, N. H.

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The following was taken from the Clinton Courant:
Considerable anxiety at the Bigelow farm house for several days last week was caused by burning soot in the chimney. Finally a bricked-up lireplace was broken open and a large accumulation taken out. Under the debris the pieces of a cup were found which have been cemented together, and the result is an interesting link with the past. It is a matter for wonder as to its age and how it came there. The shape is different from anything now in use, the china of the same kind seen in very old specimens, and the decorations, a sort of a plaid pattern, are laid on in a not very

cital.

An excellent musicale was held at the home of Mrs. Grace E. Winslow on last Sunday evening. The program consisted of vocal solos by Mrs. Fairbank of Fitchburg and Mr. Nickesell; plano solos by Harried Winslow; plano and organ duets by Frank J. Lawton and Mrs. Window. The piano and organ duet, Gloria, was especially pleasing and was repeated.

Robert H. J. Holden of Harvard university was unable to spend the week-end at home as usual on account of a fraternity initiation.

son of Major Simon Willard, and it was the southern end of the Major's large Still River farm.

Mr. and Mrs. Hutchins died in 1757, and willed all their property, including their negro slave Neptune to a "kinsman." Joseph Church. It was soon sold to Samuel Haskell, whose widow sold it to Joseph Atherton. Samuel Dudley bought the estate in 1797; he was a great-grandfather of the present owner. Mr. Dudley built a new house for himself on the opposite side of the street, which is now an old one. There is very little reason to doubt that the Bigelow house, now one of the oldest standing in Harvard, is the original structure, and more than 200 years of age.

SHIRLEY.

News Items. The Altrurian club held their regu-The Altrurian club held their regu-lar meeting on Thursday afternoon, opening at three o'clock. Owing to the slight indisposition of the presi-dent. Mrs. Ely, the vice president, Miss Grace M. Kilburn, presided. The secretary, Mrs. Mary E. Lilly, read the report of the last meeting. The busi-ness being concluded; Frank C. John-son, superintendent of schools was ness being concluded, Frank C. Johnson, superintendent of schools, was then introduced, who gave a very instructive and interesting talk on education, and the Shirley schools especially of the great improvement of work accomplished by the high school during the last three years. Mr. Johnson also referred to the need of larger playgrounds and of a larger and better appointed schoolhouse. Many questions were asked and answered by Mr. Johnson. The members present were greatly interested in his statements and a rising vote of thanks was given him. The meeting closed with a song, Mrs. Florence M. Ballou at the plano.

`` `************************* Don't forget the special Christmas shows, both afternoon and evening, at Page hall Ayer. Eight thousand ft. of pictures and two vaudeville acts.

Mr. and Mrs. Clinton J. Lovell, of Henniker. N. H., were in town on Wednesday in order to attend the Trinity chapel Christmas tree.

The engagement is announced of Miss Rachel H. Lowe, of West Boylston, and George W. Martin, of Clinton. Both are employed at the home of Mrs. Grace E. Winslow.

of Mrs. Grace E. Winslow.

The Girls' Sewing Guild of Trinity chapel will hold an afternoon tea from 2.20 to 5.30 on Saturday afternoon. December 19, at the home of Mrs. H. F. Grout. Fancy articles and candy will be on sale. Proceeds from fancy articles will be for the benefit of the Guild and that from the sale of tea and candy will be used to give a little Christmas cheer to "shut-ins."

Shirley Grange will hold a Christ.

Shirley Grange will hold a Christmas tree and entertainment on Wednesday evening, December 23. The program will consist of songs, recitations and exercises. Santa Claus will be present to distribute the presents on the tree. The children of the Center schools, with their parents, are invited to be present. nvited to be present.

At the meeting of Shirley Grange on At the meeting of Shirley Grange on Tuesday evening the reports of the delegates to the meetings of the Massachusetts State Grange in Worcester last week were heard. The remainder of the program consisted of songs and a discussion on the water question which has assumed very serious proportions in the Center.

Mrs. Charles K. Bolton, of Brook-ine, were in town on Wednesday in order to attend the chapel Christmas

L. J. Farnsworth, at the North, lost a valuable hose on Tuesday. Harry N. Brown was taking the pair of team horses to Ayer to be shod when one of them fell down and was so badly injured that it was necessary to kill the animal.

The next meeting of the Matrons' Ald society will be held at the home of Mrs. George F Buxton at Woodsville

The annual Trinity chapel Christmas tree was held on Wednesday evening in the town hall and was well attended. Rev. G. E. Woodman of sion was devoted to the general business of the year and election of of-cers. In the afternoon Dr. Austin rounding country. A program of rounding country. A program of songs was also given by the young men from Groton School, who were present. Santa Claus appeared after the entertainment from his aeroplane the entertainment from his aeroplane direct from Europe. A cannonball had hit his pack and he had lost its whole contents, but a suitcase full of presents was discovered and these were distributed to the children. Ice cream and cake were served and a social hour was passed, following the giving out of the presents. The whole aftair was a complete success.

A very pleasant social dance was held in the town hall on last Satur-day evening with music furnished by Perry's orchestra of Ayer.

A little excitement was caused on Wednesday morning when the horse of Horace Harris', the local R. F. D. carrier, became frightened and ran home from near the home of Mr. Leavitt on Benjamin road. On account of the ice around the mail boxes Mr. Harris has had to leave his term. ount of the ice around the mail boxes Mr. Harris has had to leave his team in the road at many places and walk to the boxes with the mail. As he was taking the mail to the box at the home of Mr. Leavitt on Wednesday morning an unexpected noise frightened the horse, which ran home. The horse became somewhat tangled in the harness and sleigh on the way, but very little damage was done.

The first regular meeting of the life

The first regular meeting of the I' Tan Kappa club, formed by the pupils of Westley Weyman, was held recently at the home of Rey, Howard Duffleld in New York city. Miss Sara A. Dunn was elected as the new chairman of the music committee. At chairman of the music committee. At the next meeting on January 11, Mr. Weyman will give a pianoforte re-



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WESTFORD.

Center.

Mrs. Fred L. Snow, who formerly lived in North Westford, and who moved to Tyngsboro about two years ago, is convalescing from a very severe attack of typhoid fever. Earlier in the season Mr. Snow was sick with the same disease.

Albert Heywood is resting comfortably from the effects of the fall last week at the John M. Fletcher chimney fire, but it was a pretty severe shaking up that he received.

A little son was born to Dr. and Mrs. O. V. Wells on Tuesday of this

w Wheeler was a guest of Mrs. L. W. Wheeler was a guest of Mrs. Edward Dickinson at her home in Billerica on Thursday of this week and was in attendance at presidents' day of the Billerica Nineteen Hundred club, representing the Tadmuck club.

The annual firemen's ball scheduled for December 30, at the town hall, with Poole's orchestra, is to be one of the attractive social events of the

There will be special Christmas music at the churches on Sunday. The sale and entertainment at the Congregational vestry on last week Thursday evening proved successful, bringing out a good attendance. There were sales tables for useful and fancy articles and a table for the children with dolls and toys. Those in charge of the tables were Mrs. John P. Wright, Mrs. William C. Roudenbush, Mrs. Alfred W. Hartford and Mrs. Walter J. Merritt. Ice cream and cake were on sale and were in charge of Mrs. J. E. Knight and Mrs. Phonsie Isles. The entertainment, under the direction of Mrs. William R. Taylor, consisted of a dramatic skit entitled "Gone abroad," acted by Mrs. George A. Walker, Mrs. L. W. Wheeler, Mrs. William R. Taylor and Mrs. Bert Walker. There were solos by Mrs. C. A. Blaney and Miss Marion Moreland. The vestry was prettily trimmed with evergreen and red crepe paper. The sale and entertainment at the

The recently renovated stereopticon changed to work by electricity at the Congregational church proved very successful last Sunday evening when the pastor gave a lecture on "Missions in Madura." The numerous pictures were very clear and some of them very beautiful. There was special music by the chorus choir in charge of Mrs. Charles H. Wright, with violin obligato by Bert Walker. A very enloyable musicale was giv-

Special attention was called to the next meeting, January 5, when Javid J. Hickey, who spoke to efficiently before the club last season, will give his lecture. "The fool and his money." The club has now reached its limit of one hundred members and a waiting list, and the executive committee propose the following amendment to be acted upon at the next meeting: That Article 2, Section 2 of the By-Laws, which reads. The number of members shall be limited to one hundred be struck out entirely, and that

Charles A. Robey. Mr. and Mrs. Alonzo H. Sutherland represented Middlesex-North Pomona Grange.

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Middlesex-North Pomona Grange.

At a meeting of the new West Chelmsford Grange last week Thursday evening at Historical hail, the following officers were elected for the year 1915: Samuel Naylor, m.; Mrs. Florence Saxon, o.; James. Peck, stew.; Justin Jenkins, asst. stew.; Mrs. James Peck, l. a. s.; Mrs. Olin Johnson, lec.; Mrs. Samuel Naylor, chap.; Charles S. Edwards, sec.; William Cole, treas.; Frank A. Edwards, k. k.; Esther Reid, Ceres; Bernice Brown, Pomona; Ellen Nelson, Flora; Mrs. A. Robarge, Mrs. Charles Byard, Miss. Eva Carlson, ex. com. The next meeting will be held on the second Thursday evening in January. The meeting

day evening in January. The meetings are held on the second and fourth Thursday evenings in the month. It was decided to omit the next meeting which would fall on December 24.

The James Raphson family, living in the John H. Decatur cottage on the Lowell road, moved to Lowell on last Saturday.

Part of the Bartlett family at Brookside have moved to Manchester, N. H., where they have secured work This is the result of the dullness at the Brookside mills.

We are pleased to hear that Her-ford N. Elliott was elected on the school board at the recent election in Lowell. He has been part of the sum-mer contingent in Westford, living with his father, Thomas Elliott, at the with his father, Thomas Elliott, at the summer home in the Nashobah dis-trict. His brother, Robert Elliott has just completed a fine summer home with a commanding view on some land he bought of Miss Ella Hildreth.

Graniteville. The children of the Sunday school of St. Catherine's church will present an unusually interesting program at the Christmas tree exercises to be given this year. Miss Catherine Conley, who so successfully arranged similar affairs for the church in the past, will have general charge this year, and the children are now busy rehearsing for this important event

Excellent skating and coasting has Excellent skating and coasting has been enjoyed here during the past week and the older persons appeared to enter into the spirit of the fun-fully as much as the younger ele-ment.

L. S. Gilson, who was injured by falling on the ice here last week, is able to resume his usual duties as engineer at the mill of the Abbot Worsted Company.

There were several minor accidents here as a result of the icy condition of the streets last week, but nothing of a serious nature resulted.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Thomas J. Healy on Thursday,

According to recent reports His Barteaux and family will seen return o Littleton.

Not satisfied with their recent beaty thieves who seem determined to Ain out by repeated practice of their with our by repeated practice of their profession at Littleton depot, made another attempt last week Friday and disturbed the morning slumbers of the neighbors by breaking and entering the same fated door. Again they were but poorly repaid for their efforts.

members shall be limited to one hundred" be struck out entirely, and that sections 3 and 4 of the by-laws shall be numbered respectively 2 and 2.

About Town.

Rev. Charles L. Skinner, of Auburndale, has bought the Charles W. Reed farm on the Boston and Littleton road. He has retired as minister and is ready to attire as a farmer.

Lohn A. Taylor of North Dakota John A. Taylor, of North Dakota, acknowledges the incoming of a barrel of apples from the Old Oaken Bucket farm. They were shipped by fast freight and were only six weeks in reaching their destination. The weather in North Dakota had been ten below zero, but got better before any fast freight arrived.

Brookside mills have shut down for want of something to do. They have been on a steady go for a year or more and this close down has been expected to be due about this time.

Westford Grange was represented of the second han anybody else fince no two stories are alike. We are sorry that the accident happened and hope that it may not result in any permanent discomfort to either man. Mr. Ewings is reported to have a broken finger and a much bruised head, and Mr. Proctor is said to have sustained injuries about the head. The former's buggy met with the same fate as "The deacon's one horse shay."

The many Littleton friends of Rev. Amelia A. Frost, of Andover, are very sorry to learn of her critical illness at a Becton hespital and the discouraging outlook.

Rev. William Channing Brown, who has been absent from home since early in October, is now in West Virginia, and will arrive home the first of next week.

The ice continueth and slipping, slewing down around continueth, and well water continueth its vacation. The Stony Brook driven well is the neighborhood reliability. Not for forty years has the well shortage been so clear gone. Well what are we going to do about the well? Wait until Dr. Nature administers a sufficient shower bath.

The Mary Francis Sewing Class.

Eleven girls about twelve years of age, having a taste for practical club life, held a meeting a few months ago, and after discussing the subject, organized a sewing class to which they gave the above name. Since these applicing young ladies are strengthening the bonds of friend-ship, applying themselves well and making good progress in the course they are pursuing they wave well and making good progress in the course they are pursuing they wave well and making good progress in the course they are pursuing they wave well and making good progress in the course they are pursuing they wave well and making good progress in the course they are pursuing they wave well and making good progress in the course they are pursuing they wave they are pursuing they wave well and making good progress in the course they are pursuing they wave th

and after discussing the subject, or ganized a sewing class to which they gave the above name. Since these aspiring young ladies are strengthening the bonds of friendship, applying themselves well and making good progress in the course they are pursuing, they may well claim attention in this column.

The object of the organization is to encourage and develop the art of needlework. Accordingly they subscribe for the "Mary Francis" magazine, a periodical devoted to the interns that accompany it they make dolls' clothes. Their ambition, however, reaches beyond this goal. Some of the young misses busied themselves with hemming pillow sips, at the last meeting and they hope to make precitical application of their knowledge as they learn new stitches. In their choice of direction they have wisely turned to Miss Henrietta Ewings, who has accepted their urgent call to that important office and met with the girls at Marcia Wilcox's home on that important office and met with the girls at Marcia Wilcox's home on Wednesday afternoon for the first

This week the sewing continued as usual, the secretary read her report, ten minutes was devoted to playing a game, and the director read to the class from their magazine, and made cates from their margane, and made several suggestions. A meeting is held every other week at the home of some club member. The officers are Marcia Wilcox, press, Beulah 'Kim-ball, sec., and Barbara Priest, treas.

L. W. C. L. W. C.

The Woman's club "at home" afterneon Monday was characterized by the presence of many guests and among them were several girls and a few gentlemen. The president read the club woman's creed, which was followed by the secretary's reports of two previous meetings. Invitation to a health conference in Oddfellows' hell in Concerd Lungtion this week

mittee in charge consisted of Marie by Matthe Morat to said Charles A. garet. Brown, chairman. Marjorie Dietnen to deed lated April 25, 1904. Proctor, Hazel Murray, Jesse Dodge and recorded with said Deeds, Bock are Märgaret Robinson, pres.; Gordon Love, v. p.; Norman Bonnell, sec.; Marjorie Proctor, treas.

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Westford Grange was represented a Beston hospital and the discouraging officially at the State Grange by William J. Rafter, master-elect and Mrs. Josephine Prescott, lecturer-elect. Grange B. Rafter, master-elect and Mrs. Josephine Prescott, lecturer-elect. Rafter B. Rafter

One of the former high school teachers; Mrs. Bauer (née Meredith) was a welcome week-end visitor in town, and the guest of Miss Conant and Mrs. Parker.

ginia, and will arrive home the first of next-week.

The public schools of Littleton closed yesterday for Christmas vacation. In the grades a Christmas program was given by the children and there was an exchange of gifts between pupils and teachers.

Mr. Rawson, the seedman, who leased the Fuller farm at the North End, has vacated and Mr. Fuller has engaged a man to occupy and carry on an extensive hog raising industry.

Miss Woodbine's classes, the fifth and sixth grades, recently held two candy sales and also saved their pensisent for candy and contributed half the sum thus realized, \$2.50, to the Christmas fund for refuge Belgian children in England, and she other half to the Boston Post Santa Claus fund. The Post pleasantly recognized the gift by publishing the letter that accompanied it and assured the Littleton children that they had helped make other little children happy through their voluntary offering.

The Mary Francis Sewing Class.

Eleven girls about twelve years of the content of the content of the custodian of the town clock took the situation in hand, and the fare was out.

A TEST FOR LIVER COMPLAINT

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The Liver, sluggish and Inactive, first
shows itself in a mental rate—unhappy
and critical. Never is there joy in living,
as when the Stomach and Liver are doing their work, Keep your Liver active
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NOTICE.

The Annual Meeting of the Share-holders of the First National Bank of Ayer, will be held at the Banking Rooms, in Ayer, Mass, on Monday,

Rooms, in Ayer, Mass, on Monday, January 11, 1915, at one o'clock, P. M., for the purpose of acture upon, the following business: To choose a Board of Directors to serve for the ensuing year, and to transact any other business that may come before the meeting.

HOWARD B. WHITE, President Ayer, Mass., Dec. 16, 1914. 4:14

Administrator's Sale of REAL ESTATE

At Public Auction.

Commonwealth of Messachusetts.

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Guests present were Mrs. J. M. Set forth Aste one other certain Hartwell of the school board; C. H. 26 so rolls more or less, adjoining Scars, chaperone, and Miss Eather L. the last nove described parcel and Lovejoy, associate teacher. The combine in charge consisted of Markani by Matto Morat to said Charles A. garet Brown, chairman, Marjorie Lennen by deed lated April 25, 1964.

Marjorie Proctor, treas.

Miss Maudé E. Searse and Miss Esther L. Lovejoy, high school teachers, spent two very pleasant evenings and premises conveyed to said Charles A. Hartwell and Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Hartwell and Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Hunt, parents of four Heminway, by Geed dated Dec. 20, 1878 and recorded with said Deeds, Book 1581, Page 276. Subject to the content of the second subject to the content of the second subject to the second subject to

high school pupils.

The high school entertainment is to be given on January first. Attention is called to the posters about town made by the members of the mechandral of Miss Taylor. The program will be as follows: Cantata, "Village Blacking of sixteen members of the school; demonstration of Edison diamond dise machine. Dancing and refreshments will complete the entertainment of the evening. Tickets may be obtained from members of the high school.

Last Monday afternoon Miss Alter.

1878 and recorded with said Deeds, Book 1551, Fage 276. Subject to the reservations as in said deed set forth. Fifth, A certain parcel of land, with the buildings thereon, situated at the intersection of Park and Sartelle Streets in said Pepperell and running southerly by said Park St. 150 ft.; thence running mortherly parallel with and 175 ft. distant from said sartelle St. 175 ft.; thence running northerly parallel with and 175 ft. distant from said Park St. 150 ft. to said Sartelle St. 175 ft. thence by said Sartelle St. 175 ft. to the point of beginning.

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HENRY A. HILL, Cashier. Townsend, Mass. Dec. 8, 1914.

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We extend to the public a cordial invitation to the Opening of Our New Store on December 19, and ensuing week. In the meantime we afford a last opportunity of purchasing Household Furniture at "Close Out" Prices. We have the following goods on the floor to close out:

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One \$30.00 Oak Buffet		\$23.25 Mahogany Chair, Leather Seat and Back	3180
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Second-hand Cook Stoves. \$8.00, \$10.00,	\$12.00	One \$28.00 Desk	\$140
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In our New Store we will carry a Complete Line of Home Furnishings as well as Men's and Women's Clothing; Everything in Silverware and Cut Glass, and a most select stock of Jewelry and Diamonds. We solicit your Christmas Trade and suggest that you make your selections NOW for later delivery and get the benefit of our removal discounts.

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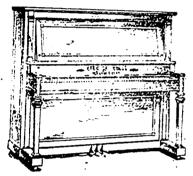
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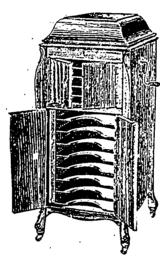
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We have a fine assortment of Dining Room and Parlor Pictures which would make splendid Christmas Gifts

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We are pleased to report that Herbert E. Lawrence, who has been confined to his home under the care of his physician, Dr. Charles J. Peirce, suffering from the effects of his fall which occurred on last week Thursday morning, has had a change for the better. His occasional trouble of neuritis was aggravated by the fall and he has experienced a good deal of pain from the latter. As a matter of fact the fall has proved more serious than was at first supposed and in all probability it will be a few more weeks before Mr. Lawrence is in condition to resume his daily occupation.

At the First Parish (Unitarian) church Sunday, December 20, Rev. Wm. Ware Locke of Boston will preach a sermon appropriate to Christmas. Hour 11.15 a.m. Mr. LaPrade is expected to sing the solo, "I come to thee," by Caro-Roma.

School Exercises.

The primary and intermediate schools held Christmas exercises in Miss White's room on Friday of this week under the direction of the teachers. The following program was given and enjoyed.

School Primary Subject 5th and 5th ing that the

in condition to resume his daily occupation.

At the regular meeting of J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., held on Monday evening, the following officers were nominated for the year 1915:

Arthur H. Bassett, p. m. w.; Harry O. Bangs, m. w.; Sylvester Chesbrough, fore; John Glimartin, o.; Walter Knowles, rec.; Charles W. Wolff, "Carlestnas stocking," Ernest Colerance, "Christmas carol," Oma Wolff: "Christmas chimes," Bertha Peneseau; "Speaking of government monopolition of the government monopolition

News Items.

Alexander, the twenty-one-daysold son of Mr. and Mrs. Karmareinez, died at the Children's hospital, Bossett, alternate There was only one nomination for each office, which seems of the town will observe the usual Christmas festivities with Christmas festivities and a wast from Santa Claus Thorsevening. December 24.

There was much rejoicing at the factory of the Present Care of the town will on the present of the Present Care of the P

LITTLETON.

The president's message to congress offers food for reflection to those thinking persons who voted for him

promptly provised, even where the carriage is not it first profitable, and then when the carriage has become sufficiently profiable to attract ani engage private apital and engage it in abundance the government should withdraw."

In other words the government should use the jeople's money to defray the expense of building up a profitable business and then hand it over to some private exploiter that he may bleed the people at his leisure and without rise. This is government, and without rise and then hand it orchardists throughout Maine are interested in the experience of an apple grower in Methuen. A glant Baldwin apple measuring sixteen inches in circumference, growing among crab apples, is the product from a crab apple tree on the farm of E. Spohr, a well-known milk government is jaternalism, but government aid to the man who really before a crab apple tree on the farm of E. Spohr, a well-known milk producer of Methuen. In the spring of 1312, Mr. Spohr, wisning to experiment the grafting of fruit, cut a healthy branch from a prize Baldwin

The King's Daughters held its regular meeting on Tuesday evening with the first of the week when it was officially announced that the employees would receive turkeys for the Christmas dinner, following the control of the solutions of the price of the solutions did not warrant the graining of the price of the solutions did not warrant the graining of the price of the solutions did not warrant the graining away of turkeys this year.

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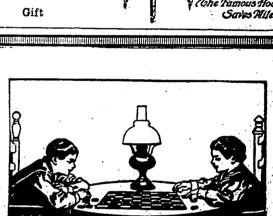
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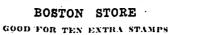
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25¢ and 50¢ Fine Lisle Hose, all colors, six pairs in fancy box \$1.00 Arm Bands and Hose Supporters to match, Underwear of all kinds..... 50¢ to \$1.50

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Christmas Seals, Tags, Postcards, Booklets, Crepe Paper and Narrow Christmas Ribbons for Christmas Packages

WARD'S HOLIDAY STATIONERY In Fancy Boxes, fine paper and envelopes and

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A gathering of most surprising values are here-\$3.98, \$4.25, \$5.00, \$6.00, \$7.50 new, dainty patterns in Linen, Lawn, Lace Edges, Wide Hems and Initial.

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50¢, 75¢, \$1.00 and \$1.50 Ladies' Fine Swiss Embroidered Handkerchiefs 5¢, 10¢ and 121/2¢ Ladies' All Linen, Plain Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 10¢, 121/2¢ and 25¢

Ladies' Embroidered Handkerchiefs, 4 and 6 in a fancy box 69¢, 75¢, \$1.00 per box Ladies' All Linen, Initial Handkerchiefs 25¢ Men's All Linen, Initial Handkerchiefs 15¢, 25¢ Men's All Linen, Hemstitched Handkerchiefs 121/2¢ and 25¢ Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, with Embroidered

Initials 50¢ Children's Handkerchiefs, three in a fancy box 15¢ and 17¢

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Men's Unlined Kid Gloves \$1.00 and \$1.50 Men's Plush, Gauntlet Driving Gloves \$1.00 Men's Lined Mocha Gloves.... 50¢ and \$1.25 Men's Heavy Wool Gloves and Mittens..... 50¢ Ladies' Fine French Kid, Cape, Doe Skin and Mocha Gloves,

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69¢, \$1.00, \$1.39, \$1.50 Shine Kits, a novel shoe polishing case 25¢ \$1.75, \$1.98, \$2.50, \$2.98, \$3.50, \$3.98 Tourists' Writing Tablets in leather cases. 50¢, 75¢, \$1.00, \$1.69 and \$1.98

Manieure Sets and Tollet Sets in leather cases, 50¢ to \$3.98 Colgate's Perfume in boxes 25¢ and 50¢ Colgate's Gift Boxes 25¢ and 50¢

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Ayer, Mass.



Saturday, December 19, 1914.

As Christmas comes on Friday of next week all correspondence must. be in this office the early part of the week to insure its insertion in next week's issue as, this paper will be printed and mailed on Thursday afternoon, December 24. Correspondents for this paper will please note this fact and have their copy in early.

The Odd Fellows' association has bought of Mrs. Mary W. Shattuck a piece of land on Station avenue, situated between her residence and her house, which she rents to William F. McMahon and Lewis Woods on the same avenue.

The regular Meeting December meeting of the W. Shattuck a piece of land on Station avenue, situated between her residence and her house, which she rents to William F. Clark post on Tuesday afternoon, January 5. The installation will take place at the Baptist vestry.

The regular December meeting of the Bird club will be held in the lower town hall on Monday evening, December 21, at eight o'clock. Dr. John bers will be welcome when accompa-nied by members.

The Groton School employees were given a Christmas tree party and en-tertainment at the school gymnasium and

Mansur:

Orkan postlude—Pastoral Mailing
Vocat Solo—This Day is Born a Saviour
Mr. Gerrish
Andante for four violins Eichberg
Chorus—On Bethlehem's Plain Spence
Solo—Christmas Song—with violin
Miss Gibson
Small chorus—Holy Night Prehl
Stringed accompaniment
Appropriate Christmas hymos
Organ Postlude—Hallelujah Chorus
Thora will be special music bushle

Mrs. Alice Fitch Miller, going last week Wednesday, spent a week with her cousin. William Fitch, and family, at their farm in Goffstown, N. H. Mrs. Alice Gilson resigned the of-fice of junior vice to which she was elected in the W. R. C. and Mrs. Sarah J. Lucy was elected in her place.

tra, the Glee club and the Fifth Form of the conflict views from sextet furnished the entertainment. After the refreshments, the singing and the giving of the presents there was dancing. The arrangements were Lawrence Academy Notes.

fore Christmas, there will be a Christ-mas tree and other exercises at the Baptist vestry.

There was a very good attendance at the Woman's club last week Friday afternoon, about sixty being present. Miss Boutwell presided and in introducing the speaker, Rev. Sherrard Billings, said that she thought the motto of Groton School must be like the motto of the club, "Service," inasmuch as when any at the school, either masters or students were asked bers will be welcome when accompanied by members.

Mrs. Francis G. Lawrence, of Powder House road, invited a number of ladies of the town to an informal reception at her home on Tuesday afternoon from four to six o'clock to meet Miss Beatley, of Lawrence academy.

Mrs. Moseley Gilson is away on a week's visit to her daughters in Woburn and Somerville.

The Groton School employees were either masters or students, were asked point of each country and thought no one country should bare all the blame

vited to attend. Mr. Cressey will speak and the following is the musical program, the singing to be accompanied by Miss Lowe, organist, assisted by four violinists, Mrs. Sabine, Miss Lawrence, Miss Holmes and Mr. Mansur:

Organ postinde—Pastoral Mailing Vocal solo—This Tay is Born a Saviour Mr. Gerrish Andante for four violins Fischberg Chorus—On Bethlehem's Plain Speace Solo—Christmas Song—with violin Miss Gibson

Small chorus—Holy Night Prehi Appropriate Christmas hymns

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son and St. Philip to do garrison duty sandwiched in with strong secession rists, and compeled to work the big guns against Farragut's ships.

After the flee had passed the forts and destroyed the Confederate navy, it proceeded up the river to New Or-leans. The union men in Fort Jackson laid a plot to desert the fort that night; some two or three hundred of the union lines. When the secession issue saw what was up, they gave the alarm. The commanding officer or-idered his men to man the big guns on the parapet, which they did at lonce, and expected to blow the Yankee deserters to smithereens. But to their great surprise and dismay every big gun on the parapet had been safely spiked, and Timothy O'Connor and James O'Neill, who led the deserters, marched to the union lines bearing a flag of truce (which was a licee of old measurements). the deserters, marched to the union lines bearing a flag of truce (which was a piece of old mosquito netting), and surrendered to the picket guard of the 26th Mass, regt. Gen. Butler parcied them.

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They might ro north if they chose, or enlist in the union service. Many of them availed themselves of the offer to enlist and Timothy O'Connor and James o'Neill both enlisted in the Grost'n company, and were The usual Christmas vesper service will be held in the Unitarian ed of Murray, chairman, Gulliver, Cochurch on Sunday afternoon at five o'clock. The public is cordially in-

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The Boy Scouts will hold a Christmas meeting on Saturday, December 19. There will be a bonfire dinner life practice, at which the scout feared that the doctor might be need.

 There will be a bonfire dinner and rifle practice, at which the scout and rifle practice, at which the scout master, Dr. A. G. Kilbourn, will use his new rifle, a Christmas gift from the Scouts. A supper is to be given by the Boy Scouts at an early date which will be announced later. The mite boxes for Red Cross contributions have been received and will be distributed by the pastor to all who

A Christmas service will be held at the chapel next Sunday morning. Special music has been prepared for the occasion.

Mrs. J. T. Shepley left town for Mrs. J. T. Shepley left town for Sheldon. Vt. on Monday morning, where the joined Mr. Shepley. After a ghort stay, Mr. and Mrs. J. T. Shepley, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. D. M. Shepley, will start for their Florida home, near Palm beach.

present-day methods of training. Mrs. Spaulding followed with a reading on "Industrial intemperance." which placed the responsibility for intemperance in many crowded, unsanitary workshops and factories where it rightfully belongs, upon the employer and the local contents.

faction of the audience, who had feared that the doctor might be needed elsewhere. Good health was defined as a mind and body in such perfect condition that their owner is totally unconscious of them, except as they referred. they perform their various duties at his bidding. Right habits of think-ing, working, eating, drinking, eleep-ing and exercising were subjects treat-ed, more or less briefly, but especial emphasis was placed upon the necessity for careful intelligent treatment of little children, that they may re-ceive the equipment, mental, moral and physical, which is their due, to fit them for efficient work in the bat-tle of life. Dr. Kilbourn's remarks vere followed with close attention and it is safe to say that were his direc-tions and advice to be followed as

No name is more deserving to be honored than that of Timothy O'Connor.

I have been asked why James of Neill's name is not on the tablet. My answer to that is he was not killed in battle. At a later period o'Neill's name is not on the tablet. My answer to that is he was not killed in battle. At a later period o'Neill's name is not on the tablet. The connects brother John was for several years a resident of the south before the war, but unlike his brother Timothy, he was a rabid rehel and enlisted in the Confederate service, just after Timothy's escape. There was an old river-hoat anchored in the Mississippi river between Algiers and New Orleans. This boat was used by the union forces as a prison for rehel prisoners of war, At this time there were about two hundred prisoners on the boat. It was the custom of some of the boys to get a pass to visit the prison-boat. Timothy 'Connor visited the boat one day, and was greatly surprised to tind his brother John there, Think Mrs. Martha Tarbell.

On Friday of last week Mrs. C. E. Blood and continued to grow worse until on Sunday she was considered in a critical condition, her sufferings being intense. On Monday morning at Groton hospital she underwent an operation for appendicitis and callstones. She is reported as doing well.

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Dakota to visit relatives. It is rumored that his farm is to be sold and that he will not return here to live. Rev. and Mrs. Frank Rice are to spend the winter with their daughter

Waldo Livermore is working in Watertown until over the holidays. The four schools closed no Friday for a two-weeks' vacation. Miss Sprague and Miss Hilton left on Fri-

lay afternoon for their home in Pemday atternoon for their nome in rem-broke, Me. Miss Newdick goes to Worcester and Miss Sparrow to North Adams. All the schools had inter-esting Christmas exercises at the A fine collection of home-made articles were seen, at the sale held at Bide-a-Wee cottage last Saturday. It included many woven rugs, table runners, paintings, embroideries, baskets, heads each ed.

beads and all sorts of fancy and useful articles. The sale will close this Sat-urday and in the evening a food sale and cafeteria supper will be held. Our mail carrier, Mr. Benere, is taking his vacation. Arthur Nelson is his substitute

Ina Wetherbee and Maria Steele were week-end guests of Grace New-dick at her home in Worcester last

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Littlefield and Mr. and Mrs. Warren Hayward went to the theatre on Friday evening in Boston to hear William Hodge in "The read to happiness." Mr. Littlefield Mr. Hayward expect to complete their-term as jurors this week in Can. bridge.

To be eligible to vote in Norway a woman must earn \$80 a year in the country and \$110 in the towns.

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Saturday, December 19, 1914,

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News Items.

The show windows of the many storekeepers, who make a specialty of holiday goods this Christmastide, present a fine appearance and are very attractive to passersby. Never before has there been such a display of beautiful and useful gifts as on this Christmas and such a great variety to select from. Come to Ayer and select your from. Come to Ayer and select you Christmas gifts early and avoid the

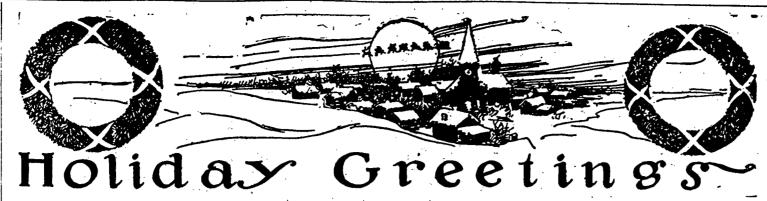
J. Otis Donovan, aged seventy years, a former resident of this town, when the Ames Plow Company was located here, has brought suit against that company for a pension, and the case was heard recently by Judge Chase in the superior court. He had Chase in the superior court. He had worked forty-nine years for the company and was a foreman for many years. He was finally retired on half pay and eleven months later the head of the company changed and the contract to the head of the company changed and the contract to the head of the company changed and the contract to the head of the company changed and the contract to the head of the company changed and the contract to the head of the company changed and the contract to the head of the head tract to pay him a pension was abolished. When Mr. Donovan lived here he was familiarly known as "Jimmy

The following is taken from "Facts relating to Groton, Mass," by Dr. S. A. Green:
The first brick schoolhouse in Gro-

The first brick schoolhouse in Groton was built by John Park in the year 1791, and is still standing. It is situated on Park street in that part of the town now Ayer, and in 1822, was occupied by Nathaniel Stone, according to Mr. Butler's map of Groton, then recently published. On the gable, near the eaves, at the southwest corner of the dwelling, is a small slate tablet, with a sundial at one end, and this inscription at the other:

J. P. J. P. 1791.

In Thursday, Christmas eve, at five of clock, a festival service will be closed and the closed a



With only two weeks' time to do the Christmas shopping our thoughts naturally turn to Christmas Gifts. What is more practical and more appreciated by the men and boys than some article of wearing apparel? Our Christmas Goods are all in, the newest styles and patterns in Men's and Boys' Clothing, Furnishings, Shoes and Slipnelp you make your selections. Here are a few suggestions;

pers. Come in while the variety is	good and let us he
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Mackinaw Coats	\$5.00 to \$8.50
Bath Robes	\$3.50 to \$6.00
Men's and Ladies' Sweaters	\$1.00 to \$7.00
Men's and Ladies' Umbrellas	50¢ to \$5.00
Men's and Ladies' Slippers and Moccasins	50¢ to \$2.00
Bags and Suit Cases	\$1.25 to \$6.00
Neckties of all kinds in Christmas Boxes	25¢ to \$1.00
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Arm Bands in Christmas Boxes...... Gloves in Christmas Boxes..... Braces in Christmas Boxes Men's Linen Handkerchiefs, with initial 15¢, 25¢ and 50¢ Men's Japanette Handkerchiefs, initial Men's Silk Handkerchiefs, with initial Combination Necktie and Handkerchief Sets in Christmas Boxes

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For twenty-six years Miss Kittle E. Lynch has been his faithful house, keeper, and during his last illness tenderly cared for him.

Funeral services were held at his late residence on Grove street on Tuesday afternoon, Rev. Williston M. Tord, of St. Andrew's church, officiating. The members of the G. A. R. post attended in a body. Interment was in Woodlawn cemetery. The bearers were Ellis and Holden Harlow, John Wentworth and James M. Boutwell. The casket was covered with the choicest of flowers. The flag that decorated the casket by his comfades of George S. Boutwell post, was presented to his son, H. D. Phillips, of Greenfield.

Those from out-of-town who were present at the funeral were Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Phillips of Greenfield, and Mrs. T. W. Lynch of Nashua, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Murphy of Haverhill, Mrs. Annie Carman of Greenfield, and Mrs. Nellie Williamson of Fitchburg.

Mr. Phillips enlisted at Springfield, Vt., May 7, 1861, in Company A.

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The funeral services of George Jen-The funeral services of George Jennerson was held from the vestries of the Methodist church on last week Thursday afternoon in charge of the pastor. The deceased was a native of Townsend, having resided at the Old City until several weeks ago, when he was taken to the town home, being too feeble to care for himself. He is survived by a brother, J. L. Jennerson, and a sister, Miss Jane Jennerson.

nerson.

Last week Friday evening was initiation night at the E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge. The following people were taken into the order: Mrs. Alden Sherwin, Mrs. Will Cowdry, Mrs. Lillian Ross, Miss Ella Wilder, Miss Arline Clarke. John Dobson, Fred Davis and Frank Woods. The usual banquet followed the initiation and reception to the new members.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Emery return.

Mr. and Mrs. Hoyt Emery returned to Rockland, Me., on Friday, December 11. Mrs. Emery will be remembered as Mrs. Greeley. Mrs. Emery's youngest son accompanied them. They have the best wishes of their Townsend friends in their new home.

The good coasting has been the cause of one serious accident and other minor misfortunes. Albert Howard, ir. was coasting down the hill near his home last Saturday, when he slid against a tree in Henry Cowdry's yard, cutting a deep gash in his forehead above the nose. He was taken to his home in a semiconscious condition. The cut required the taking of several stitches. He is confined to the house and still weak from the loss of blood and not able as yet to see on account of the swelling around the eyes. Much sympathy is expressed for him by his schoolmates and friends.

The Anson D. Fessenden camp. S.

The Anson D. Fessenden camp. S. of V., have elected the following officers: 'George C. Fessenden, com.; T. J. Harvey, s. v.; Frank W. Brown, Alfred N. Fessenden, Wilbur L. Bruce, camp coun.; John J. Harvey, sec.; Robert G. Fessenden, treas.

The Misses Secton and Mr. Living-ston, of Lowell, who have been visitston, of Lowell, who have been visit-ing at the Seaver homestead, have re-turned to the city. They were for-tunate in gathering laurel before the ice storm to take to their homes for their Christmas decorations.

Everett Bruce has been quite ill with bronchitis. He is now convales-

The Nokomis club met Friday afternoon at the parsonage at three.

At the Methodist church Sunday morning there will be a Chistmas concert by the children. Christmas eve a supper will be served to the children at six o'clock. In the evening there will be the usual Christmas trees entertainment and distribution. trees, entertainment and distribution

The schools closed Friday, December 18, for the Christmas holidays. her 18, for the Christmas holidays.
Many of our teachers live at a distance from here and to whom the
vacation will include a trip home and
the merry making of the Christmas
season with relatives and friends.

Miss Alberta Barber, a teacher in the Mason schools, who has been ill at her home on Townsend hill, has now resumed her duties Her mother. Mrs. Abbie Barber, took her place in the school; during her absence.

John Going is very critically ill with heart trouble at his home on Main street. His sister, Mrs. Abbie Brad-ley, is with him, also his brother and

the school, during her alseance.

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message in song or quotation. In the evening the large star will be placed in the belfry and lighted with electric lights. At the time of the evening service and lighting of the star, especial music will be rendered from the belfry by John Piper and Gerry Gilchrist. Albert Seaver will give a Christmas organ recital at the evening service and Alfred N. Fessenden will speak somewhat of the Christ pictures in art. There will also be special singing by the choir.

Thursday afternoon, December 24, a fireside gathering will be held in the vestries for the members of the saves away mayor of Pioneers, was mayor of Los Angeles several times, and, when California was made a part of the United States, was a member of the Convention that adopted the constitution of the state.

Stearns died suddenly in San Francisco in 1871, leaving the bulk of his wildow. Seven years later she married Col. R. S. Baker, a retired army officer, who died ten years afterward. In the suit for the estate, the relatives of Mrs. de Baker and the convention has been on Friday evening, has been on Friday evening, has been on Friday evening, hespinging to the minister, Dr. A. E. Dunding: charge to the minister, Dr. A. E. Dunding: charge to the people, Rev. J. L. Cross, Rollstone church of Fitchburg; welcome to the town, Rev. J. L. Cross, Rollstone church of Fitchburg; welcome to the town, Rev. J. L. Cross, Rollstone church of Fitchburg; welcome to the town, Rev. J. L. Cross, Rollstone church of Fitchburg; welcome to the town, Rev. J. L. Cross, Rollstone church of Fitchburg; welcome to the town, Rev. J. L. Cross, Rollstone church of Fitchburg; welcome to the town, It is expected that the gers of the state, when a member of the town when added the constitution of the state. J. L. Caulkins; closing prayer, Rev. J. L. Cross, Rollstone church of Fitchburg; welcome to the town that adopted the constitution of the state. J. L. Caulkins; closing prayer, Rev. J. L. Cross, Rollstone church of Fitchburg; welcome to the town the United States, was a member of Fi

a fireside gathering will be held in the vestries for the members of the home department and cradle roll and younger grades who cannot attend in the evening. The same literary program will be given in the afternoon and Christmas eve and is in charge of Mrs. Margaret Higgins and Mrs. Harriet Savage. The program will consist of music, dalogues and a Christmas play, entitled, "The disguise of the Santa Claus family." Refreshments will be served afternoon and evening. There will not be any distribution of gifts to the children this year, instead the children are asked to bring their ten cent offering to be used for the "waifs of the war" in the "country without a smile." We quote the following from The Christian Herald: "Every dime and every dollar contributed to the fund will be used undiminished for supplying food, shelter, clothing and other necessaries for these unfortunates. None can afford to be unrepresented."

Country Club Meeting.

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The Country club met on last week Friday at the home of Mrs. Anne Greenleaf. A Christmas box filled by the club members was opened, each member receiving a gift. The program of the afternoon consisted of a vocal duet, "Star of the east." Mrs. Brackett and Mrs. Hayward; Christmas story, read by Mrs. Emma Powell; solo. "At the close of day," Mrs. Brackett; in the study of picturesque places in America, papers were given of V., have elected the following officers: George C. Fessenden, com.;
T. J.; Harvey, s. v.; Frank W. Brown, Alfred N. Fessenden, Wilbur L. Bruce, camp coun.; John J. Harvey, sec.; Robert G. Fessenden, treas.

The Fitchburg Gas and Electric Light Company has completed the purchase from U. S. Adams of the franchise for furnishing electric light and heat in town. Arrangements have been made with the B. & A. D. Fessenden Company to furnish the power for lighting Townsend and Ashby for a few months. It is expected the Connecticut River Trainsmission Company will furnish the company with its power later.

Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren is spending

Mrs. Evelyn L. Warren is spending the Christmas holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Louis Shaul and little son Richard in Syracuse, N. Y.

The Sep-tem circle will hold their Christmas meeting with Mrs. Elma Bates on Friday, December 18.

A good audience enjoyed the moving picture show in Memorial hall on Tuesday evening at which Mrs. Florence Guinn rendered vocal and plano solos during the evening's program.

The Misses Seeton and Mr. Living.

and relatives of Mrs. de Baker, the New England claimants, a number of whom reside in the vicinity of Boston, will-halt a suit for a portion of Mrs. de Baker's seven million dollar estate, which has been pending in the supreme court of California.

The settlement gives to the Stearns claimants a note for \$704,000 on the eight thousand acre Laguna ranch on the outskirts of Los Angeles that Mrs. de Baker owned and the remainder in cash. One-half of the amount agreed upon will be divided between five of the nearest descendants of Stearns, Col. William S. Simmons of the adjutant general's department at the State House; Edgar H. Mumford of New York, Annie D. Aspinwall of Sharon, Wis.; Mrs. F. A. McCurdy of Lowell and Miss A. E. Manning of Lowell. The other portion will be distributed among thirty-seven persons whose names follow:

Mrs. Clara S. Wood, Fitchburg, Mrs. Mrs. Clara S. Wood, Fitchburg, Mrs.

sons whose names follow:

Mrs. Clara S. Wood, Fitchburg, Mrs.
Etta M. Gallagher, Leominster: Edward W. Pierce Leominster: Solomon J. Stearns and Abel G. Stearns, Townsend: Mrs. Grace P. Onthank, Fitchburg; Mrs. G. A. Munroe, Roxbury; Mrs. A. E. Spelman, Arcola, Il.; Mrs. Martha B. England, Worcester, Mrs. Clara A. Wetherbee, Charles A. Joslin and Miss Mary E. Joslin, Leominster, Mrs. A. A. Burgess, Lancaster, Mrs. Abble E. Reed Northfield, J. Carlton Joslin, Keene, N. H.; Charles F. Geo. H. and Miss Melle M. Joslin, Clinton, Mrs. William Stokes Harwichport, Frederick A. Joslin, Leominster, Geo. E. Joslin, North Atlichoro, E. K. Thom. New York; Charles W. Helen I. and Nathaniel J. Thom, A. of Haverhi, W. W. Thom. New York; Charles W. Helen I. and

West.

The Ladies' Study club met at the home of Mrs. George A. Adams instead of the reading-room on Monday evening with twelve present, the president, Mrs. Emma J. Lees, presiding. After current events were read the meeting was placed in the hands of Mrs. Charles E. Patch, who read a most interesting paper on "The City of Mexico." The next meeting will be in charge of Miss M. Elinor Tower on the topic "Habits and customs of the Mexicans."

Thomas Veno, of Reverty, has been

A special meeting of the Ladies' Baptist Benevolent society was held on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence with six in attendance and arrangements were made for the Christmas dinner to be held in the Baptist vestry on Christmas day in connection with the Christmas tree in the afternoon, and other Christmas work was arranged other Christmas work was arranged

Dr. Henry B. Boynton is quite seriously ill at the home of his mother, Mrs. Josephine Boynton, with a trained nurse in attendance.

on next week Thursday afternoon the children of the public schools will enjoy their Christmas tree and treat at the reading-room in charge of Miss Alice Seaver and Miss Lena Thompson, through the kindness of Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Hømer, of New York.

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The Ladies' Mission circle met with Mrs: Joseph McKean on Wednesday afternoon with six present, and the topic was "The American Indian," and after the questions and answers Mr.

McKean gave a very interesting paper upon the topic.

Wilbur Z. Sherwin has returned to the hospital in Boston for treatment and is reported as improving

teacher of music, will give their entertainment in the town hall on Fridge evening. January 1. A musical DRILLED OR DRIVEN WELLS

Sketch of "The Village Blacksmith."

by the school will constitute the leading feature of the program

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The pastor's class of young men in the Congregational Sunday school met at the parsonage last evening to or-ganize and enjoy a social hour to-gether. gether.

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Thomas Veno, of Beverly, has been a recent guest, of Mr. and Mrs. James Bell.

Richard Hodson, son of Mrs. Grace Hodson, who is employed at C. R. Morgan's, is being boarded at predent at Mrs. Frank Farnsworth's, instead of Mrs. Cook's at the Center, where he has been for several months.

Miss Lutie Antilla, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Antilla of Josselynville, and Jack Seari, who is employed at Stickney's mill, were married in Fitchburg Saturday and are living for the present with the bride's parents in Josselynville.

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Rev. O. J. Fairfield's series of sermons on the religious ideals of the nations now at war will be resumed after the holidays with sermons presenting the aims of Austria, Servia, Turkey, India and Japan, and a concluding sermon on how peace might

ed nurse in attendance.

Miss Alice Seaver has returned from a few days' visit to Boston. Miss Agnes Thompson assisted in the reading-room during her absence.

George Ellis, who is employed in Boston, spent the week-gnd with his mother, Mrs. Anna Ellis.

Mrs. William Webston, who have the secured.

The Sunday evening meeting at the Unitarian church will be a lecture talk by Frank B. Pries' on a trip to California, given with a set of slides of beautiful California views and of places enroute. The hour will be 6.39 so as to accommodate those who wish to hear the cantata later.

The old First Congression

George Ellis, who is employed in Boston, spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Anna Ellis.

Mrs. William Webster, who has been caring for a patient in the south part of the town, has returned to her home in Josselynville.

Rev. Josseph McKean will take for his topic on Sunday morning "The true Christmas spirit." In the evening at six o'clock a concert will be given by the Sunday school in the auditorium, of the church, and an especially interesting program has been prepared. The regular meeting of the Y. P. S. C. E. will be omitted in the evening.

A Christmas dinner will be served at noon on Christmas day at the vestry, followed by the regular Christmas tree in the afternoon. The dinner will be in charge of the L. B. S. and the program in charge of Miss M. Elinor Tower. Everyone is cordially invited to dinner and all attending are requested to bring some and the program will begin promptly at five and will be dinger to share the Christmas ressage.

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Sale of Real Estate

Groton, Mass. December 10, 1914. The owners and occupants of the ollowing described parcels of real estate situated in the Town of Groton in the County of Middlesex, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts; and the public are hereby notified that the taxes thereon severally assessed for the years hereafter mentioned remain unpaid, and that the smallest undivided part of said land sufficient to sat-isfy said taxes with all legal costs and charges or the whole of said land if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof will be offered for sale by public auction at the lower hall in the Town House in Groton on Wednesday, the thirtieth day of December, 1911, at two o'clock P. M., for the payment of said taxes with interest, cost and charges thereon unless the same shall be previously discharged.

The sums set against the following described real estate show the amounts due thereon respectively for taxes for the non-payment of which said estates will be sold as afore-aid. but not including the costs and interest thereon and costs and charges incident to this sale.

Assessed to Mary May

Described as follows: Situated in the central part of the Town, be-ginning at the end of Willow Dale Street, going easterly by land of William Clark to land of Kemp & Ben-nett, northerly, then southerly, then westerly by land of said Kemp & Bennett to land of Charles B. Baldwin, then easterly by land of said Charles B. Baldwin to point of beginning, in luding buildings thereon, containing about two (2) acres.

Tax for 1911, Tax for 1912

Assessed to Lincoln Potter of Wor-

Situated in the northerly part of said Groton on the westerly side of the road leading from Groton to Nashua, N. H., containing 14 acres, more or less.

Bounded: Beginning at the northasterly corner of the same at a stone bound on said road and land of John Gilson; thence north 51° 00' west 5112 rods by land of said Gilson and land late of Stephen J. Woods to an oak tree at a corner; thence northwesterly by said Woods' land about 02 rods to a stone bound; thence southwesterly by land late of Mrs. Tulty about 40 rods to a corner near a maple stump at land now or late of P. Doyle; thence by land of said Doyle and land late of E. F. Nutting N. 8

of beginning Tax for 1912,

Assessed to Michael F. McGowan Situated in the westerly part of said Groton, three parcels with buildings thereon

1. Beginning at the northwest corner at the road leading from West Groton to Townsend; thence south 82° east by land formerly of Freeman Hopkins 1924 feet to a stone post; thence south 70° 50' west by land now or formerly of George H. Bixby 173 feet to a stone post at a proposed street; thence westerly by said street 108 feet to said Townsend road; thence northerly by said road 163 feet to the point of beginning.

On easterly side of road leading from West Groton to Townsend, beginning at a stone post at the south-westerly corner of the premises by said Townsend road; thence easterly stone post by land late of Freeman Hopkins; thence northerly by said Hopkins' land 85 feet to a stone post; thence westerly by said Hopkins' land 200 feet to a stone post by said road; thence southerly by said road to the point of beginning.

3. Westerly side of road leading from West Groton to Townsend, beginning at a stone post at the south-westerly corner of the premises and at said road; thence running easterly by land now or late of M. F. Mc-Gowan 143 feet to a stone post at Gowan 143 feet to a stone post at land now or formerly of Freeman Hopkins; thence northerly by said Hopkins' land 85 feet to a stone bound; thence westerly by said Hopkins' land 200 feet to a stone bound at said Townsend road; thence southerly by said road 110 feet to the point of beginning.

Tax for 1912.

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icws Items. News Items.

On Wednesday evening of last week the following ofheers were elected in the Grange to serve for the following year: Edward Pierce, m.; Mabel Perkins, o.; Clara Russeil, lec.; Harry Corey, stew.; Wallace Jenness, asst. stew.; Katherine Cady, chap.; Clarence Russell, treas.; Edna Hall, sec.; Mathew Burke, g. k.; Myra Standly, Ceres; Lucy Marshall, Pomona; Mrs. John Andrews, Flora; Ethel Taylor, l. a. S., It was veted to have a Christinas tree for the members and their has tree for the members and their hildren.

On Sunday, December 6, a son, Sherman Freston Hall, was born to Mrs. and Mrs. Harry Hall, of Fitchbury. Hefore their marriage Mr. and db. Hall were both of this town.

Mrs. Stephen Barnaby and two sons, Starr and Chester, left for Flori-da last week Thursday. They sent postals to friends while en route, say-ing they were enjoying their journey

The many friends of Frank Maynard will be glad to learn that he is home from the hospital and feeling fine after a most successful operation. He wishes to thank all those who remembered him while sick.

Lewis Popple, Nathaniel Hobart and Fred Hall have had electric lights installed in their homes. Harry Corey and Warren Barnaby

Saturday.

The many friends of H. O. Hadley, of Peterboro, who gave an address before the citizens of the town at their meeting here on October 31, will be pained to learn of his death which occurred on December 13. Mr. Hadley was a very prominent Granger and a member of the house of representatives.

Mr. and Mrs. Vinol Wright, who have been visiting with Mrs. Mary Gerrish, have returned to their home in Worceyter, Mrs. Gerrish accompanying them for an indefinite stay.

Thomas Smith, who has been making his nome with the family of Mr. St. John, West Hollis, passed away last week and his body was brought here for bural in the South End cem-

Henry Burgess and Ernest Gilson have been sent to Grassmere for the winter.

on Sunday at the Congregational church to which everyone is invited.

dard and Antrim.

LUNENBURG.

News Items.

The rain of Sunday night was gladly welcomed, but on Monday it grew colder and froze, making so hard a crist that the children could cost and skate anywhere in the fields, dooryards and roads, and even on Marshall's pond, which is usually a nine skating ground but this winter there has been no water there until this last storm. Now the pond is only about half as large as ordinary, but the skaters seem very grateful for that and are enjoying it to the full extent. On Tuesday morning the mercury was down to ten degrees in some places and eight in others.

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Carr's meadow and the water com-pany intend to have three days' pump-ing test before Christmas to determine the permanency of the flowage. Everybody is anxiously hoping it will prove sufficient.

The very icy condition of streets, sidewalks and stairs were the occasion of several severe falls for the citizens of Lunenburg, many of them receiving a serious shaking up and braises. While delivering milk in Fitchburg James L. Harrington fellows to the contract while the contract striking upon the Fitchborg James L. Harrington fell on an acy stairway, striking upon the small of his back, badly straining, his lower r.is, and it was thought fracturing some of them. He was attended by Dr. C. E. Woods. Others fell so heavily as to be rendered unconscious for a time and it was necessary to procure a substitute for a day or two for one of the teachers, who fell.

All who attended the entertainment All who attended the entertainment at the town hall on Friday evening were very much pleased with every feature. The principal one was a monoloxue, "Peg o' my heart," beautifully rendered by Miss Marian H. Clarke. She received as she richly deserved, sincere applause, interspersed between the acts was a piano and violin duet by Miss Southwick and Miss Reed, a young lady from Fitchborg, singing of "The holy city" by Evangelist Osborn, who very kindly respended to an encore, and singing ty the boys' quartet, also encored the program.

At the last meeting of the Monday class the subject of current events.

he program. William R. Brown met with a very William R. Brown met with a very serious accident last Saturday morning. While sawing wood with his gasolene engine at the home of E. E. Howe on Flat hill, the main belt came off the pulley, striking Mr. Brown with severe force on the left side of his head and curling around to the right side. It was thought he was dead when he was picked up and carried into Mr. Howe's house. Dr. Woods was quickly summoned, who ordered him removed to the Burbank hospital, where an examination was made

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The place on the Northfield road formerly known as the Sawyer place and recently for several years occupied by Capt. John Kock and family, has been sold to Ivers P. Lawrence, of Fitchburg, to which city Capt. Kock and family have wery many friends in town who will regret their departure. They have three children, two sons and adaptive, who have all attended school here. Every member of the family is very courteous and the chill-dren are models of deportment, both in school and out. Mr. Kock was, before coming to this country, a captain in the Russian army, where at one time he held a commission. Of late years he has been engaged in real estate business.

At the Methodist church on last

Sunday morning Rev. Alfred Noon preached upon the topic, "The greatest remedy." The subject for the Epworth league service at seven o'clock was "How much do we love Christ." Rev. Robert A. Bryant at the Congregational church took for his subject "The winter's outlook in the kingdom of God." Preceding the sermon the resolution upon national prohibition was read by the paster and the congregation voted unant-mously to endorse at. Not one dissenting vote was given and the result was forwarded to Congressman Paige on Monday morning. The order of service was changed a little on Sunday, morning and that given in the New Piligrim Hymnal was used instead and seemed to give general satisfaction. In the evening Mrs. L. U. Meintyre led the C. E. society and the topic was "Gems from my reading."

Community Christmus Tree.

On Monday evening the various committee in charge of the arrangecommittes in charge of the arrangements for the community Christmas tree met in the lower hall and discussed plans. It was decided to place the tree in the center of the upper hall and the children from the schools will gather around it while they sing Christmas carols. Seats will be arranged on the stage and around the hall for the older people. A committee was-chosen to arrange the tree and place the gifts upon it as follows: S. U. McIntyre, Mrs. H. C. Eaton, Mrs. H. L. King, Mrs. A. W. Adams, Mrs. W. H. Adams, Miss Blanche Whitcomb, Miss Willa Harley, John B. Freeman and Edwin S. Marshall. To take the presents from the tree the following were chosen: William A. Warren, John H. Davidson and Henry

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be pained to learn of his death which occurred on December 13. Mr. Hadley was a very prominent Granger and a member of the house of representatives.

Rufus Wells, motored here from Sandown and is spending a few days the his father-in-law, George Nye.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Ricker, of Boston, are visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hall.

HARVARD.

Henry H. Putnam, of Old Mill farm, will be in Boston with his family after January 1, returning to Harvard on April 1.

The civies committee of the Women's club comprises Mrs. Henry B. Mason, Miss Elizabeth Pollard, Mrs. Albert F. Ripley, Mrs. N. A. Dill, Mrs. William B. Haskell, Mrs. Charles Merrifield. This committee is much in earnest in their endeavor to awaken enthusiasm on the subject of water supply for this town. They hope on next Monday the women of the club will come presured the system. ted towards the Belgian fund is to be sent or carried to the treasurer. Mrs. George Betterly on Milford street. It is sincerely hoped that all will try to help in this most worthy cause. All contributions must be in by Monday.

Silas Wheeler has returned from a two weeks' visit at Lyndeboro, Stoddard and Antrim.

long ago.

Presents for all the children in the school will be given out at the town Christmas tree on Wednesday evening, December 23, at seven o'clock.

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An event of importance and of interest especially to men, will be the coming to this town of Rev. Lewis G. Wilson, national secretary of the Unitarian denomination, a man who has spent much time in travel all over the country, and is exceptionally well able to interest any audience. He will speak at the morning service of the Unitarian church on December 27.

Observance of the Christmas holidays will begin at the Congregational days will begin at the Congregational church on Sunday. At the morning service the pastor will preach, taking as his theme, "God with us." Music under the direction of A. T. West. The mixed quartet will sing "Rejoice, the Lord is king," and Miss Madeline Parker will sing "O little town of Bethlehem," soprano solo.

The bible school will meet at twelve o'clock for the study of the closing lesson based on the life of Jesus. On

At the last meeting of the Monday class the subject of current events was introduced by Miss S. E. Pollard. Papers on later colonial history were read and discussed. Next Monday the history study will begin with the French and Indian, or Seven Years' War, and will be carried over the threshold of the war for independence. dence.

The annual business meeting of the church was held on Wednesday afternoon at 2.30 o'clock. The following officers and committees were elected: officers and committees were elected:
Miss S. A. Davis, clerk and treas;
Rev. H. B. Mason, Dea. A. A. Pollard,
Misses S. A. Davis, M. C. Pollard, L.
W. Dyar, ch. com.; H. B. Mason, supt.
Sunday school; Mrs. H. B. Mason,
asst. supt.; Miss H. N. Farwell, sec.
and treas. S. S.; F. A. Pollard, Mrs.
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To the heirs at saw, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of ARTHUR H. SARGENT late of Littleton 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 EDWIN H. PRIEST who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said Court, of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of December A. D. 1914, at nine of 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 hotice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Littleton Guidon, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailting postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate, seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this second day of December in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen, 3113 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heire-at-line, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of SAMUEL ANDERSON late of Shirley in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of maid deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by ANNIE J. ANDERSON who prays that letters restamentary may be besued to her, the executive therein mamed, 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 Madlesex, on the twenty-first day of Incomber A. In 1914, at nine ofclock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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

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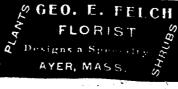
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At a Legal Meeting of the Inhabit. ants of the Town of Shirley, Massachusetts, duly warned as required by law and held March twenty-third, 1914, it was voted to amend Section 1 of Article 1 of the By-Laws of the Town, so as to read as follows: Article 1. Section 1. The Annual Town Meeting shall be held the first

Monday of February of each year.
This amendment was approved August 14, 1914, by Thomas J. Boynton, Attorney-General,

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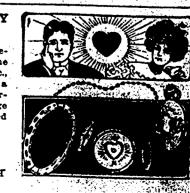
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PEPPERELL.

About Town. Mrs. Henry Tarbell spent Tuesday in Boston taking in the holiday sights and shopping for Christmas.

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The Champion card shop force were called in on Tuesday, having been out since Friday.

Mrs. Sarah Patch is convalescent after her recent illness and is able to be about her home, although not at all strong.

all strong.

Mrs. Susan Raymond, who has been visiting her son, A. H. Raymond, since Thanksgiving, intends to return to the home of her daughter in Brockton if the weather is favorable the last of this week. Mts. A. H. Raymond will accompany her as far as Roston.

Miss Monica Pitt has been taking a course in manicure work and chiropody with Mrs. L. H. Miner. It is understood that she will assist Mrs. Miner after learning at the rooms lately opened in Groton.

Miss Ethel Hall, of Lawrence, formerly of this town, was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Nutting.

Miss Anna Peabody officiated as or-anist at the Congregational church ganist At the Congregational church last Sunday morning in place of the regular ofganist, Mrs. E. L. Tarbell, who was injured last week.

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During the storm of Sunday evening a branch was blown from a free near the Champion card shop, falling across the electric light wire and breaking it. The effect was instantaneous, and citizens in all parts of the town were frightened by the glare which followed for a few seconds, many of them rushing out to see "where the fire was." In a few seconds more the town was in utter darkness. The damage was repaired on Monday so that the street lights were on as usual in the evening.

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were on as usual in the evening.

Mrs. Edward L. Tarbell, who was
thrown from the sleigh last week, sustaining an injury to the sciatic nerve,
is improving, being able to sit up a
short time each day.

Frederic Wilson, is expected home
next week from Williamsport, Pa.
where he is a teacher in the high
school. He will spend the holiday
vacation at the home of his parents,
Mr. and Mrs. H. S. Wilson, Brookline
street.

The Pepperell Card Company have laid off their night force for the pres-

Miss Eva Bolles, who has remained with her parents since Thanksgiving, because of the illness of Mr. Bolles, was obliged to return to Concord, N. H., on Monday to attend to her dressmaking. Mr. Bolles is considered out of danger, although not at all strong or able to be about his work.

Most of the school teachers will go Most of the school teachers will go to their respective homes as soon as vacation begins, either Saturday or Friday night, for the two weeks. Only five of the teachers of the grade schools are residents here, we believe. George Jay has been spending this eek in Boston and Revere with rela-

Blacksmiths were busy the early part of the week and "neverslips" were in greater demand than the

The rain of Sunday night affected the low wells and springs in many localities. If the thaw had continued through Monday and taken off all the snow and ice it would have made more of an improvement in the water problem among the farmers.

The embargo which has existed or The embargo which has existed on the transportation of live stock in the effort to stamp out the foot and mouth disease is now lifted in many sections of the state, including this locality. Power to grant permits to move cattle within the boundaries of the towns is now vested in the local cattle inspector.

There was a well attended all-day meeting held at the home of the president of the L. S. C. of the Unitarian society, Mrs. Addison Woodward, on Friday of last week. Many of the ladles had their own Christmas sewing and all listened with interest to the report of the treasurer of the recent sale which was most satisfactory to all who assisted although perhaps to all who assisted, although perhaps not as large as on former occasions

Mrs. John Martin went to Laconia N. H., on Wednesday to attend the meeting of the New Hampshire State Grange in session there.

J. O. Bennett, corner of Brookine and Prescott streets, it would seem we were misinformed in one of the de-tails, as Mr. Bennett is having the lumber cut and drawn to the mill instead of selling it to them on the

Charlie Parker came home from his school in Exeter, N. H., Wednesday evening for a three-weeks' vacation. He was accompanied by his cousin, Harry Jewett, who will spend a week here before going to his home at Somerville, N. J.

Leslie W. Parker went to Merrimac, N. H., Friday to attend the Christmas exercises held by Miss Carrie Shat-tuck at her school. They both re-turned home Saturday, Miss Shattuck for her two-weeks' vacation.

Miss Anna French has gone to ortland, Me., to make an extended visit with relatives. Mrs. F. S. Bancroft has been in Boston for a few days this week.

The Christmas tree and exercises for the children of the Oak Hill Sunday school will be held at the hall on Wednesday evening. December 22. There will be songs and recitations and a Santa Claus and possibly a Mrs.

Henry Letender is still unable to do any hard work since his recent attack of incipient appendicitis, which is troubling him yet.

On Monday evening, between eight and nine o'clock, the engine room at the Nashua River Paper mill was the scene of an accident.

Mrs. Ivan Parker returned home last week from a three weeks visit with her mother in New York city.

Mrs. Jane Fletcher is in very poor health; the physician being in attend-ance daily at her home with her son, Eugene Fletcher.

The meeting of the East Village Social club was held Wednesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Edward eight members and one visi-Johnson, eight members and one visi-tor, Mrs. George Jenks, attending. It was a pleasant social occasion, many bringing their Christmas work and all listened with interest to the selec-tions which were read, by Miss Marie Jordan, Mrs. Charles Chapman and Mrs. Pierce. A fine collation was served by the hostess. The next meet-ing will be held with Mrs. A. H. Ray-mond, December 30, the subject being "Busgestions for the new year." The "Suggestions for the new year." deeryone present is able to add something to the subject of the afternoon.

The date of the meeting has a special

in charge of her home duties. Mrs. S. T. Blood is still in rather poor

Miriam Deware came from her school in Northampton on Wednesday to spend the holidays at her home. Donald Jacobs came from Colby university at Waterville, Me., Wednesday, for the holidays.

Mrs. C. D. Hutchinson is greeting

her friends this week, having return-ed from New York much improved in

Robert Burns was summoned from Holiday Decorations. Brockton on Monday by the illness of his mother, Mrs. R. K. Burns.

It. K. Burns, who has been in Henniker, N. H., has been working about the place of Frank H. Ward, who recently fell and broke one of the bones of his lower leg.

Mrs. Bessie Allen has been in Boston a few days this week and expects to arrange to start for the west the latter part of this week for the winter. She makes her home with relation for St. Levil, Mo. tives in St. Louis, Mo.

Harvey Tileston was one of the vic-tims of the ley walking on Wednes-day morning. He fell at the rear of the church near Hutchinson's store. and was picked up unconscious and carried to his home. The physician summoned could find no injuries beyond a slight cut on the forehead, but it was some time before he regained consciousness. He was about, howconsciousness. He wa ever, in the afternoon.

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Ten members of the Circle of the Ready Workers of Acoma lodge met with Mrs. Fred Dunlap on Tuesday evening. Work was on articles for the sale which will probably be held early in the year. Mr, Dunlap added to the pleasure of the evening by serving the company with an appetizing clam chowder, which proved a fine refreshment on so cold a night. The next meeting will be held with Mrs. Frank Farley on December 31.

Mrs. Stella Mention went to Bedford last week, closing her home on Oak hill, probably for the winter.

The Wide-awake Whist club met

The Wide-awake Whist club met with Mrs. John Frossard on Monday evening, the twelve members all being present or represented by substitutes. A pleasant evening was passed, refreshments of wafers and olives, fruit and home-made confectionery being served by the hostess. The first prize was won by Mrs. Attridge, substituting for Mrs. Jennie Hazen; the second prize by Mrs. James Dunn, as substitute for Mrs. Farley; the third by Mrs. Lunt, and the fourth by Mrs. Frossard. Mrs. D. W. Hazen was again awarded the consolation.

Mark Shattuck of Groton spent Satevening, the twelve members all being

Mark Shattuck of Groton spent Sat-urday of last week with his cousin, Mrs. Sarah Patch, who has been ill. Miss Ada Fowler of Lowell is stop-ping for a short time with Mrs. C. I. Margeson, Cottage street.

H. G. Jordan received an injury to his foot on Monday by having a roll of paper fall on it. He was confined to his home for several days unable to attend to his work at the Pepperell card shop.

Earl Mention and wife from Fitch-burg came on Friday of last week as week-end guests at the home of her father. H. W. Shattuck and to attend the play at the hall Friday evening.

Ford Crane is night watchman at the Nashua River Paper mill in place of Mr. Kimball, who was injured on Monday.

The next service of the Church Federation will be held at the Congrega-tional church, Sunday morning, Jan-uary 3, with communion.

Mrs. James Dunn, Mrs. Thomas At tridge and Mrs. John Frossard spent Wednseday in Lowell, doing some Christmas shopping.

Grange in session there.

Concerning the item last week regarding the cutting of the pine lot of J. O. Bennett, corner of Brookline and returned home on Thursday of last week from the hospital in Bos-He went through a critical operation, the removal of a diseased kid-

eration, the removal of a diseased Rid-ney and is improving very slowly.

Mrs. J. M. Graham returned from Derry, N. H., on Tuesday, where she has been staying since Thanksiiving assisting her daughter. Mrs. Burns.

Mrs. Raymond Burns was taker very ill on Friday of last week. It was pronounced by Dr. Lovejoy to be Bomerville, N. J.

H. Elizabeth Shattuck came from Cushing academy at Ashburnham on Friday to spend the holiday vacation at her home.

Was pronounced by Dr. Lovejoy to be nouraleia of the stomach, which affected the heart severely. The pain was intense and it was a long time before it yielded to treatment. Mrs. Bures has been subject to extra the control of the stomach, which affected the heart severely. Burns has been subject to attacks of indigestion and this illness seemed to indigestion and this liness seemed to commence in much the same manner, but developed much worse than form-erly. On Monday, having recovered somewhat, she attempted to move about and was seized with a still more recovers attack. For Lorday was approximately severe attack. Dr. Lovejoy was summoned hastily and by prompt action probably saved her life. He remained in attendance for some hours, until she was out of immediate danger. Mrs. Burns is improving, her niece. Miss Burns of Cambridge, a trained nurse, being with her. Mr. Burns was summoned Monday from Henniker, N. H., where he has been working for several weeks. severe attack. Dr. Lovejoy was sum

Accident.

the Assuua River Paper mill was the scene of an accident. Willis W. Kim-ball was the victim, receiving a brok-en arm. He is night watchman at the mill and was assisting one of the en-gineers. The engine started unexgineers. The engine started unex-pectedly, the lever catching Mr. Klm-ball and throwing him some distance. Physicians 'were summoned, Drs. Lovejoy and Heald soon reaching the mill. The injured man was assisted to his home on Riyer street, where examination revealed examination revealed a compound fracture of the right arm near the shoulder. It was feared the bone was splintered and on Tuesday morning he was taken by auto to St. Joseph's hospital in Nashua for an examination by the X-ray. It revealed a shatter-ed condition of the bone and it was eemed advisable he should remain Pierce. A fine collation was deemed advisable he should remain sold by the hostess. The next meet—there for further treatment. Messages received stated that he was fairly comfortable Wednesday night, and it is hoped the joint is not injured bedoen present is able to add some—yone present is able to add some—yone present is able to add some—

with the mills as watchman for some ment and evening.

significance to Mrs. Raymond, although she has not made it known. Some of her relatives might be able to give some information on the subject, however. years, working at first at the Hollings-worth mill, and for the past two years at the mills here. He was generally liked by his associates who feel sorry at his bad luck and hope he may come out all right.

ject, however.

There were several in town who saw the one lone robin on last Saturday morning and heard his faint song. He was rather shy, keeping in the invitation of crumbs. The proof that "one robin does not make a spring" was manifested this week when the thermometers went down to ten degrees above on Tuesday. We wonder if the poor robin took the hint and started south.

Mrs. C. M. Gage, jr., spent the week-end with friends in New York.

Miss Margaret Blood spent Wednesday at the home of her brother in Concord, leaving Miss Hattle Kendall in charge of her home duties. Mrs. S. T. Blood is still in rather poor tee on the supper and proved most

efficient.

The sale was well attended, the table of useful and fancy articles being in charge of Mrs. George Shattuck, Mrs. W. F. Dennen and Mrs. A. Pelton. An attractive feature of the sale was "the old lady with a hundred pockets," as represented by Miss Anna Peabody. It proved a pleasing innovation. The little Dutch with her attendant, was innovated. efficient. girl, her attendant, was impersonated by Dorls Durant.

The stores of the various traders in town are taking on a Christmas appearance. The windows of W. A. Kemp and the fruit store showed their usual festoons of red and green their usual festoons of red and green paper and evergreens early in the week. The trimmings at Tower & Cook's are very neat and bright. The window arranged in the store of Lane Brothers has probably attracted the most attention. The window is enclosed at the rear and represents a snowstorm in full blast—when the electric current is turned on—with a little house, lighted by ruddy lights, in the midst. The particles of 'snow' whirling madly about would give one a shiver on the warmest winter day, and on a day like Tuesday made Christmas seem very near. It is hinted that Santa Claus is to make his appearance here later and patrons of all these stores are finding some of his goods already displayed on the counters.

Grange Notes.

At the meeting of Prescott Grange held on Friday evening, December 11, the following officers were elected for 1915: Walter Shattuck, m.; George Jay, o.; Mrs. Amy Shattuck, lec.; Mrs. Jennie McDonald, stew.; Earl. M. Stewart, a. s.; O. M. Nash, chap.; Henry Wilson, g. k.; Miss Adeline, Tucker, Ceres; Mrs. Shepherd, Pomona; Miss Lillian Holmes, Flora; Parker J. Kemp, treas.; Ellen Miller, sec.; Charles Blood, ex. com. 2 yrs., in place of Walter Shattuck, resigned. The installation of the elected of fleers of Present Care.

The installation of the elected of-ficers of Prescott Grange will take place on January 8.

agriculture, having sufficient experi-ence to fall back upon.

The vaudeville entertainment and dance held by the O. H. I. S. on Friday evening. December 11, was finely attended and well worthy of the pat-Robbins' orchestra rendered

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her "blood" in every line of her little body and intelligent head.

The first tableau was entitled, "Bred in old Kentucky," showing the animal entirely alone, just a trifle restless in the unusual situation of facing an audience. The second, "Paul Revere's ride," showing her master in Colonial costume upon her back. The third was "Joan of Arc," Miss Katherine Blood, who is perfectly at home in the saddle, taking the part of Joan admirably. The fourth was just "Daphne," tractable and quiet, gazing at her audience as though she began

Special Town Meeting.

Special Town Meeting.

A special town meeting will be held on Monday evening, December 21. After choosing a moderator the following articles are to be acted upon: Article 2. To, see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money on and after January 1, 1915, in anticipation of the revenue of the filancial vear beginning January

the financial year beginning January 1. 1915. 1, 1915.
Art. 3. To see if the town will vote to authorize the treasurer, with the approval of the selectmen, to borrow money needed to pay for support of the schools and other expenses to the end of the financial year, January 1, 1915.

News Items:

Christimas Sunday service at the Unitariah church at 19.45 a. m. The Sunday school will assemble at 19.35 A baptismal service for children or others will be held at 11.49, or immediately after the sermon.

The Christmas party will be held in the vestry of the Unitarian church Thursday at 7.30 p. m. At eight o'clock, weather permitting, the children and others will go out to sing Xmas carols in the neighborhood, returning for the Christmas tree.

Prudence Wright chapter will meet Prudence Wright chapter will meet Monday afterpoon, December 28, at the home of Mrs. Walter Drury on Pleasant street at three o'clock. There will be a paper by Miss Annah P. Blood; subject, "A visit to the English homes of our Puritan ancestors" Hostesses, Mrs. Drury, Mrs. Holart, Mrs. Woodworth, Mrs. Pauli, Miss Jusephine Lawrence

his appearance here later and patrons of all these stores are finding some of his goods already displayed on the counters.

Traders are claiming that hollday trade has been light thus far, as many wage-carners have been out of steady employment.

Grange Notes.

Church Notes.

"No room for Christ" will be the subject of the Christmas sermon at the Methodist church on Sunday morning. At seven in the evening a Christmas concert will be given by the members of the Sunday school upon the subject "Welcoming the king." In addition to the special must be the choir there will be seven.

Claus. While this Christmas gathering is arranged for the members of the Sunday school and their friends, yet all the people of the village are cordially invited.

place on January 8.

If these officers serve the Grange as elected for the coming year, it should mean a prosperous one for the organization. The master-elect. Mr. Shattuck, brings to his office many qualifications. He has previously served as master of this Grange three years, 1910-11-12, and is naturally conversant with its work and that which will best promote its prosperity. He also possesses the essentials of a successful leader, being well-known to be a practical, reliable young man with thoroughly sound business principles and good common sense. Brought up as the son of a large and successful farmer, he does not need to resort to theories on agriculture, having sufficient experience to fall back upon.

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Christmas services will be held at the Congregational church on Sunday. In the morning at 10.45 the pastor will take as his theme "White gifts for the king," and the choir will sing special music. Sunday school will meet at noon. At seven in the evening a Christmas concert will be held in the auditorium under the direction of a committee from the Sunday school will sake as his theme "White gifts for the king," and the choir will sing special music. Sunday school will take as his theme "White gifts for the king," and the choir will she special music. Sunday school will take as his theme "White gifts for the king," and the choir will she special music. Sunday school will take as his theme "White gifts for the king," and the choir will she special music. Sunday school will take as his theme "White gifts for the king," and the choir will she special music. Sunday school will take as his theme "White gifts for the king," and the choir will she special music. Sunday school will take as his theme "White gifts for the king," and the choir will she special music. Sunday school will take as his theme "White better the congregational church or Sunday school will take as his theme "White better the congregational church or S

agriculture, having sufficient experience to fall back upon.

The next meeting of the Grange will be held on December 18, instead of on Christmas night. The program will include a report of the meeting of the State Grange in Worcester on December 8-11, by the present master, Forrest Andrews, who attended.

Unusual Entertainment.

The vaudeville entertainment and

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gone years. M. E. Gaskill with his real hand organ kept the audience in a continual gale of laughter. Little Miss Katherine Blood made a fine of clock, at the home of Miss to three o'clock, at the home of Miss to three o'clock at three o'clock, at the home of Miss to three o'clock at three o'clock, at the home of Miss to three o'clock at three o'clock, at the home of Miss to three o'clock at three o

plaintiff for breach of covenant in a written lease from plaintiff to defendant. The breach relied upon was of that covenant that is usual in all leases, "To quit and deliver up the premises at the end of the term in as good order and condition, reasonable, use and wear thereof, fire and other avoidable cassaities excepted," the contention of the plaintiff being that the defendant during the occupancy of the premises removed certain fix-

of the premises removed certain fixtures.

If the court assumes in favor of the plaintiff that the grounds upon which it rests its right to recover are well taken, an examination of the authorities in plaintiffs brief submitted would seem to warrant that conclusion: First, that the rest taken an examination of the authorities in plaintiffs brief submitted would seem to warrant that conclusion: First, that the rest is recovered to form the next meeting of the Social club, December 26. No effort will be sparded to furnish a program in harmony with the holiday spirit. It is hoped as many members as possible will be present.

The As You Like It also very please of the committee of entertainment for the next meeting of the Social club, December 26. No effort will be sparded to furnish a program in harmony with the holiday spirit. It is hoped as many members as possible will be present. Mr. Kim- distance. "Daphne," tractable and quiet, gazing at her audience as though she began at her audience as though she began at her audience as though she began to enjoy them as much as they did her. Then, with her master, she "told her. Then, with her master, she "told her. Then, with her master, she "told her. Then, with her master she panned to make properly the plaintiff that the grounds upon which it rests its right to recover are well taken, an examination of the plaintiff shrief submitted would seem to warrant that concluded with appreciation a bouquet presented by Master Everett Scott.

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Christmas Suggestions

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Fine, Selected Handles-a very practical Gift

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wholly uncontradicted, that the treas-urer of the plaintiff corporation and the treasurer of the defendant cor-poration got together at Pepperell for the purpose of adjusting the diffor the purpose of adjusting the dif-ferences between the two corpora-tions and agreed upon the amount that was mutually satisfactory, and that amount was subsequently paid by the defendant to the plaintiff. This, by whatever name, should be given the transaction whether pay-ment compromise or accord and satment, compromise or accord and sat isfaction, when consummated, would istaction, when consummated, would entirely bar the plaintiff's right to recover; but upon familiar principles that defence would not be open to the defendent as the pleadings now stand, the answer being only a general denial, and if such a defence, if relied upon, must be specially pleaded

An opportunity will be given the defendent, if it so elects, to amend its answer, after which further proceedings will be taken by the court.

To the Editor: Some are much concerned to know who began the war, but the great thing is not who is to blame. Doubtless a measure of blame belongs to us all. Every nation that has fought needless wars or tolerated popular manifestations of the war spirit is partly responsible for the tragedy of today. But the awful thought is that all these hundreds of thousands who are being driven like beasts to the slaughtering are our brothers! Teutons, Slavs, Latins, Turks or whatever their name may be, they are our

tatended and well worthy of the pattern or name. Robbins' orchestra rendered several selections during the program and played for the dancing. A cornet solo by G. Harold Tower was heartily encored, being finely rendered. Mrs. And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; and this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their same may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their name may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their same may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have their same may be they are our own human brothers; And this war is a mistake. We have they are our same may be t

Lois Porter Tickets for the Tufts ed religious leaders meet any difficulties (Glege Glee club concert, December 28, will go on sale at two o'clock at Robt, Murphy's Sors Company's store. Club members will be admitted by presenting their membership card and who are fairly representative of all the warring nations, who are entitled to a reserved seat by a small paymen.

Files Decision.

TOWNSEND.

Concord Jct., Dec. 10, 1914.

Dr. Peters, of Harvard college, spent Wednesday at his country residence, Hickory farm. Gilman Conant is recovering from

light form of pneumonia, although it will be two or three weeks before he can leave the house. Invitations are out for a dance to be given in Memorial hall by the Social club on Wednesday evening, December 23.

driver, Miss Burdett, was lost. The accident occurred at Horace Searle's corner. The horse, going at a keen gallop, fell, thereby pitching out the occupants of the sleigh and breaking one of its own legs in two places so that the bone protruded through the flesh. As soon as the owner of the horse could be reached by telephone the animal was shot.

Miss Burdett suffered no great inconvenience from her general shaking

Miss Burdett suffered no great inconvenience from her general shaking
up, but the younger sister, although
there was no internal injuries or
broken bones, is not yet able to move
without assistance and will be confined to her bed sometime longer.

This was the first time Miss Burdett had driven the horse, as it was
brought to the Old Homestead for her
to try that very afternoon, but every
assurance had been given that the
animal was perfectly safe

LITTLETON.

News Items. All items for this column in next week's paper should be in the hands of the correspondent by Tuesday eve-ning at the latest, as the printing has to be done a day earlier than usual on account of the holidays. Adver-tisements should also be forwarded to the office early in the week for the same reason.

same reason. Miss Olive Thacher, Littleton high school '14, arrived home from North-deld seminary yesterday for the holi-

day vacation.

The glitter of steel on the feet of day to Westboro, wh Young Littleton has furnished him main for the present. Young Littleton has furnished him much joy and afforded his parents and friends no small amount of pleasure during the long season of excellent skating. Ice on the pond is from four to six inches in thickness and the surface is smooth and inviting. The crisp air of the last week has prevented thawing, and other conditions have combined to favor the chief winter sport. The lad without skates has not been grumping around the cor-

pleasant visit with her son Heyward at St. Paul's school in Concord, N. H., during the week-end.

past has been with her mother, who is constantly failing at her home in Hillsboro, N. H.

The Camp-fire Girls and other

young people—boys and girls—are invited to meet with the leader, Miss Dorothy Priest, at her home on Fosborothy Priest, at her home on Fos-ter street, next Monday afternoon at three o'clock to rehearse Christmas carols, which are to be sung the night efore Christmas.

George Smith, of Harwood avenue, is having an enforced vacation be-cause of neuralgia and a bruised

seven o'clock with interesting ever-cises by the children. Besides the usual tree there will be added a white gift feature and all who attend are ingift feature and all who attend are in-vited to bring some gift of money or goods, each article being wrapped in white paper or tied with a white rib-bon. These gifts will be laid at the foot of a white cross and will after-wards be used for the benefit of the war sufferers. Gifts for all the chil-dren will be distributed in the usual way from the Christmas tries. All

way from the Christmas tree. All are invited to enjoy the evening with the children.

are invited to enjoy the evening with the children.

Nearly everybody in the Backlog club went to the old-time social in the Unitarian vestry last week week Thursday evening. After an introductory grand march the audience was well entertxined by the readings of Mrs. J. H. Hardy, jr., and Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb, plano duets of many years ago by Misses Chase and Bradlee, violin solo by Miss Katherine-Kimball and a lively spelling match in which Mrs. Channing Brown and Mrs. Charles Watts acted as captains and Rev. O. J. Fairfield as teacher. Old-fashioned games were indulged in and caused much merriment. The refreshments, in keeping, with other features of the social, consisted of pop corn and apples. The next attraction in the club calendar is the holiday dance on Wednesday evening, December 39, in charge of twenty-four young members of the society.

S. C. Bates has a Ford runabout

S. C. Bates has a Ford runabout among his new possessions.

The work on the extension lines of the town water system has been com-pleted and the Bruno force of Italian workmen left town on Thursday.

William Grimes went on Wednes-

Grange.

The Grange Christmas tree Wed-esday evening created much fun for the good number present. Mrs. John A. Wright and daughter Hazel had A. Wright and daughter Hazel had charge of the ten-cent presents and furnished 125 delicious comballs of the Wright quality which meant a second one for nearly everybody. There was an equally good supply of applies.

the sport. The lad without skates has not been grumping around the corner, however, for in the meantime he has taken his flexible flyer and glided over some of the numerous hills, filling his lungs with fresh air and making business good for the boot and shoe dealers.

The correspondent begs to correct an error made in the obituary of Alonzo H. Kimball last week. Mr. Kimball was at no time a member of Kimball was at no time a member of the state legislature, but frequently attended hearings at the house in the interest of Medford during his service for that city.

Mrs. George W. Canney had a very in the Wright quality which meant a second one for nearly everybody. There was an equally good supply of apples.

Miss Augusta Smith gave a Christmas reading, a chorus of mixed voices sang Christmas hymns, Mrs. Prouty accompanying at the plano, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Barrow, Mr. and Mrs. R. T. Barrow, Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Kimball submitted reports of the recent State Grange convention held in Wortcester, and Mrs. Showe played a plano solo. The entertainment concluded with dancing, the old-time figures only being in use, and Mrs. Prouty and Mrs. J. H. Kimball furnished the music for the same.

Mrs. George W. Canney had a very leasant visit with her son Heyward et St. Paul's school in Concord, N. I., during the week-end.

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At the next meeting the installation of officers will take place and the installing officer will be Millard Sawyer, of Groton, with Mrs. Henry Robbins, of Aver Grange, as assistant. of Aver Grange, as assistant

New Advertisements

Christmas Gifts

Our stock is full of good things for the Holidays-Watches, Fobs. Pendants. Neck Chains, Lockets, Cuff Links, Rings, Bracelets, Silverware and Novelties.

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