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PEPPERELL

News Items.

Mrs. Susie W. Dort was the guest r sister, Mrs. Balmforth, and family Wollaston on Thanksgiving day.

Lyman Robbins has recently purchased the cottage house of Charles H. Jewett on Pleasant street, which he had occupied since last spring. On Thanksgiving day his father, George Robbins, and brother, Lewis Robbins, and family, were guests at dinner. and family, were guests at dinner.

A slight correction should be made concerning the account of the hearing of the selectmen of the town last week. In the case of Mr. Masters, at the district court. Ayer, on October 7, the records state: "John E. Masters, of Peppereil, was found not guilty of two complaints in court for assault and battery last Saturday and was discharged from custody." We waster this correction for the sake of was discharged from custody." We make this correction for the sake of

Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Harris enter-tained his uncle, Charles Harris, of Lowell; his brother and wife, Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Harris, of Hampstead, N. H., and Miss Lois Patterson, of South Merrimack, N. H., over Thanksgiving

accuracy and in justice to Mr. Mas-

Miss Elizabeth McNayr took a half holiday from her duties at Saunders' store on Tuesday afternoon, going in-to Boston to hear Rev. W. A. Sunday. Mrs. M. E. Reed went into Boston Wednesday night, accepting the invi-tation from her two sons to spend Thanksgiving as their guest, as their work just at this time makes it dif-

was delivered by Rev. Howard Brown, rector of the chapel, Rev. E. A. Horton, chaplain of the senate, reading an original poem. Martial music added to the service.

Miss Margaret Blood is spending Thanksgiving week with her sister, Miss Annah P. Blood, in New York. Emerson Cook motored to North Conway, N. H., Wednesday, to spend he week with his niece, Mrs. George Wiggin, and family.

D. L. Whitmarsh spent the week-end with relatives in Barnstead, N. H. He also spent a part of the Thanks-giving vacation with his daughter in Bellows Falls, Vt.

The next meeting of the East Vil-lage Social club will be held with Mrs. lage Social cittle will be near with size. Charles Goff, Pleasant street, Wednesday afternoon, December 6. On the day preceding Thanksgiving several families where there was sickness or a shut-in, were gladdened by substantial remembrances from this society, carried to them by its president, Miss Lorden.

Miss Edna Tarbell spent Thanksgiv-ing with relatives in Brookline. Miss Blanche Supernault went to Lynn Thanksgiving day to visit Mr. and Mrs. Edward Ham, remaining for week-end visit.

a week-end visit.

Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Tower entertained her father, Mr. Spooner, from Petersham, the past week. Their son also spent Thanksgiving day here, and Mr. and Mrs. Albert Everts, of Rox-

ing sight with its decorations of flowers, the rosebud and sunbonnet china, and the delectable viands. There was a tiny ornamented birthday cake for each guest, and a basket of bon-bons for a souvenir. The special birthday cake with its eight pink candles occupied the place of honor in the center, and held a crystal vase in which was a tiny silk flag, to which all pledged allegiance. Miss Natalle received many presents and good wishes.

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The bazaar held at the Opera House on Saturday, Monday and Tuesday, ending with a dance on Wednesday evening, under the auspices of St. Joseph's church, surpassed all former efforts afong this line. Perhaps the largest crowd was present on Saturday evening, when the minstrel show was presented. There were about fifty voices in the chorus and the soloists were Miss Mary T. Sullivan, who rendered "The story of a soul"; Miss Madeline Sliney, who sang "One, two, three and four"; Leo Gagnon, "Turn back the universe"; Edmund Coté, "I am glad my sweetheart is not a soldier in the U. S. A."; Miss Geraldine Elkins, of Nashua, "He has got a beautiful gir!"; Irene Salter, "Where did Robinson Crusoe go with Friday on Saturday night?" Joseph Attridge gave a reading; Arthur Nalette, a song, "Good-bye, my good old bachelor days"; Master Hackett, song, "McNally's old high hat." All the artists were applauded to the echo.

On Monday evening the vaudeville was excellent, although some changes were caused by the non-appearance of Hickey and Donahue, of Nashua, Mr. Perry, of Lowell, appeared instead, in songs and dances, and Miss Margarei Gorman rendered plano, solos, Doris Boulia violin solos and Oliver Thayer zylophone solos. Miss Greenache and Edward Hayes appeared according to program. In the sketch, "In the Philippines," Mrs. Joseph Attridge, as "Carita," the Spanish girl, won much applause. The part of "Sergeant Casey" was taken by Mr. Attridge, and Raymond Pauli took the part of "Pedro," the Mexican.

On Tuesday evening the sketch given by Mrs. Irene Attridge and Russell Wright was universally enjoyed, being of high order, and excellently portrayed by the two artists. Other oversally enjoyed, being of high order, and excellently portrayed by the two artists.

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On Tuesday evening the sketch given by Mrs, frene Attridge and Russell Wright was universally enjoyed, being of high order, and excellently portrayed by the two artists. Other entertainment was afforded by Messrs. Perry and Brown, from Lowell, and Hickey, and Donahue, from Nashua, Charles Early, of Nashua, the comedian, not being present.

The dancing party on Wednesday evening was fully attended by townspeople and parties from out of town. The contest on the doll was decided in favor of Midred Haggerty. The contest on the boy's suit is not announced at this time.

A partial list of the lucky ones in the voting for various articles is given as follows: J. L. Kezar won the willow chair; Mr. McGuire, Townsend, Morris chair; John Doyle, Mattapan, linen table cover; Howard Steltz, Groton, ton of coal; Mrs. Thomas Gardner, \$5 grocery order; Irene McGuire, Townsend, \$6 gold piece; Nellie Lorden, doll; Katherine Sullivan, pair shoes; Alice Tredtin, live turkey; Patrick Sliney, bed spread; Mary Lynch, aluminum tea kettle; Mary McDonald, cut glass dish; Alvin Bouchard, extension table; Mrs. Eugene Prescott, coffee percolator; Adam Schottmiller, sacred heart; gratue; Mrs. Joseph Attridge, Thermos bottles; James Robinson, \$5 grocery order; Timothy Connelly, half cord of wood; Francis Lavalley, gold watch; Mrs. James Hackett, prize ticket. McDonald, cut glass dish; Alvin Bouchard, extension table; Mrs. Eugene Prescott, coffee percolator; Adam Schottmiller, sacred heart statue; Mrs. P. W. Flynn, embroidered sacred heart; B. Reagan, hand-painted sacred heart; Mrs. Joseph Attridge. Thermos bottles; James Robinson, \$5 grocery order; Timothy Connelly, half cord of wood; Francis Lavalley, gold watch; Mrs. James Hackett, prize ticket.

Church Notes.

On Sunday morning at the Methodist church the pastor will preach on the subject "The by-product of the christian church." In the evening, at 7.30, his topic will be "Evangelism and our part in it." At the Epworth league meeting at 6.45 the subject will be "Missionary work among the children of India." Leader, the pastor in her new southern home.

At the united meeting of the work ers in the three Sunday schools of the Federated churches on Friday evening of last week, Rev. A. W. Bailey, of Boston, gave a plain, forceful address before a representative gathering from each church. The speaker outlined what might be done in the work by Sunday school superintendents and teachers, although no definite action was taken. The main object was to arouse interest among the workers. the workers.

At the Congregational church on Sunday Rev. J. B. Lewis will preach at 10.45 in the morning. Sunday school will be held at noon, and junior neeting at 3.30. At seven o'clock there will be a report of the annual meeting of the Woman's Board of Missions recently held in Northampton

on.
The Forward club held their month ly social in the vestry on this week Friday evening. Miss Kathlyn Rouse was chairman of the committee. on Sunday, December 10, the trus-tees are planning to have their sec-ond every-member canvass. It has worked well this past year and seems to be the most approved method of church support.

church support.

A fine Federation service was held by the three churches so combined on last Sunday evening at the Unitarian church. An appreciative audience listened to an address by Rev. L. C. Cornish, secretary of the American Unitarian association. His text was from "I will life up mine eyes unto the hills." His sermon was practical and comforting, dwelling upon the foundation of our faith. Music was rendered by a union choir of about twenty voices, under the direction of Mrs. E. H. Bliss. The opening voluntary was a serenade by Pinsuti, Mrs. J. O. Bennett presiding at the organ. The choir rendered the anthem, "Praise ye the Father." by Gounod; and the response, "God is love," by Gilbert. The entire service was thoroughly appreciated.

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About Town!

Mr. and Mrs. T. F. Graham and family left last week for Nashua, N. H. to remain there for the winter. They have closed their hotel in town and it is in charge of Elmer Walker.

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At the meeting of the Woman's club on Tuesday afternoon, November 21, at the Congregational vestry, Prof. Cowell, of Cushing academy, gave a fine address on "Children's rights" to an appreciative audience. The next meeting of the club will be on Tuesday afternoon, December 5, at Saunders' hall. Subject, "Incidents in life abroad," with Russian, French, Italian and German music, by Prof C. N. Pollard.

Prudence Wright chapter foot on

lard.
Prudence Wright chapter met on Wednesday of last week at the chapter house. The meeting was in charge of Mrs. F. H. Quimby and Mrs. A. G. Wright. Mrs. Quimby gave a paper on "A trip through the Berkshires." Mrs. Tower recited appropriate poems. It was very entertaining and one felt that they were taking an imaginary trip.

Clipping.

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The following is taken from the Clay County Times, Green Cove Springs, Fla., November 24:

Miss Elsie Northrup, of Pepperell, Mass., was united in marriage to Chas. E. Sapp, of this city on Sunday evening, November 19, by Rev. L. T. Ivey. The day was a beautiful one, a clear, sky, without a cloud in sight. The ring service was used and the happy couple were attended by Miss Evelyn Sapp and Frank Bessant. The bride was daintily attired in a blue novelty silk.

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tation from her two sons to spend Thanksgiving as their guest, as their work just at this time makes it difficult for them to leave.

Miss Carrie Foskett returned to her home in Newtonville this week after a short visit with her friend. Mrs. Florence Willoughby.

Mrs. N. W. Appleton spent last week in Boston and vicinity, returning on Friday. She attended the patriotic and religious service celebrated by the D. A. R. on Monday, Puritan day, at King's chapel. The presence of a company of the state militia with their commander, Col. Charles Appleton, and the trooping of the colors, was a most impressive scene. The address most impressive scene. The address in the large of the state militia with their commander, Col. Charles Appleton, and the trooping of the colors, was a most impressive scene. The address is a two-tended the party numbered and the trooping of the colors, was a most impressive scene. The address is a the colors was a most impressive scene. The address is a the cident has birth a birth a birth a birth a birth a birth dight on Saturday, November (sighth birthday on Saturday, November (sight a birthday on Saturday, November (sight birthday on Saturday, November (sight a birthday property on High S



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WESTFORD

Center.

Samuel H. Balch succeeds H. Bert Walker as caretaker of the Unitarian church since the former's removal

One of the leading social events of the season will be the annual fire-men's ball which takes place on Jan-uary 5, with Poole's orchestra, of Bos-ton in attendance.

Mrs. George T. Day, who underwent a serious surgical operation at her home on Friday of last week, is resting comfortably. Miss Regan is the nurse in attendance.

The date of the reception to wel-come Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Lin-coln into the church and community has been changed from December 13 to December 12. The committee in charge are Mrs. J. E. Knight, Mrs. Isles, Mrs. S. L. Taylor and Mrs. F. W. Bannister.

Mr. and Mrs. John P. Wright are having alterations and improvements made in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. L. W. Wheeler spent Thanksgiving with relatives in New-

Rev. and Mrs. L. H. Buckshorn entertained Mrs. John Burbeck and by the proxy of congratulations and Misses Grace and Mary Burbeck for substantial California gold.

Rey, H. A. Lincoln enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. James J. Knights lecturer, in the in-Kimbali over last Sunday.

Mrs. Edmund Day was eighty-four 1917. Mrs. Edmund Day was eighty-four years young on Thursday of this week. Enjoying good health and with pleasant outlook in life she was the recipi-

ent of cards, flowers and other gifts: also, good wishes for other pleasant birthdays: The public libraries of the country and the Boy Scouts are co-operating in the observance of "Good book week" from December 4-9. The plan is to stimulate a more lively interest

in good reading, especially among the young people, and to make available to parents help in selecting books for purchase as Christmas gifts for their Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Blaney and fam-

ily spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Framingham. Augusta Prescott enjoyed Mrs. Augusta Prescott enjoyed Thanksgiving dinner with her two sons; also, other kindred from out of town.

Rev. Howard A. Lincoln preached his first sermon as pastor of the Congregational church last Sunday. A good-sized congregation listened to a good sermon on "The lives we build." At the evening service Mr. Lincoln spoke most appropriately for the Thanksgiving season on "The message of the Pilgrims." At a business meeting Mrs. James L. Kimball was accepted into membership by letter from Tremont Temple, Boston. A letter of dismission was granted to Mrs. Jennie Ejifeld, now living in Nashua. Mr. Lincoln, who arrived in town on Wednesday with Mrs. Lincoln, expects to get moved into and settled in the parnesday with Mrs. Lincoln, expects to get moved into and settled in the par-sonage this week.

Arthur E. Day and James W. Rafter are among those who have attended the Billy Sunday meetings in Boston. A week from Saturday the Men's class and others plan to attend a service at the Sunday tabernacle in a body

John M. Fletcher, Miss Eva A. Fletcher and Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Buchold, the latter of Silver Hill, were the guests at J. H. Fletcher's for

tertained a family group of twelve for Thanksgiving day

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Hildreth enter-tained their Malden relatives for the holiday. Harold W. Hildreth went to Brockton, where Mrs. Hildreth and baby Richard have been spending sev-eral weeks with Mr. and Mrs. Law-

Red Cross Christmas seals are on sale in town and it is hoped people will bear in mind the cause they represent and purchase them as liberally

as they can. Deaths.

Mrs. Kendall Wright, who suffered a stroke of paralysis at the home of her son, Perley E. Wright, a week ago Saturday, died on Monday. Mrs. Wright, who was aged 79 years, 1 Wright, who was aged 79 years, 1 month and 6 days, was born in Westford, being the daughter of James Wright, of the north part of the town. In young womanhood she was married to Kendall Wright, and while her ried to kendall Wright, and while her home has not always been in West-ford, she has always cherished a keen interest in her native town and its people. She, with her late husband, were former members of the Union Congregational church. Mrs. Wright possessed a gentle, refined and capable possessed a gentle, refined and capable personality. The funeral services were held at her late home on Wednesday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. L. H. Buckshorn was the officiating clergyman. Mrs. Charles H. Wright and Mrs. David L. Greig sang "There's a beautiful place called heaven" and "The christian's good night." The bearers were Horace Gould, H. L. Wright, Arthur E. Day and L. W. Wheeler. Interment was in the family lot in the North-cemetery.

James B. Nathans, formerly of New James B. Nathans, formerly of New York, and who had been spending the autumn with his daughter, Mrs. J. Henry Colburn, on account of im-paired health, died at a hospital in Lowell on Thursday of last week. He had only been removed to the hospital but a few days previous to his death and at the last his death was sudden. He is survived by his daughter. Mrs. J. Henry Colburn; also, a second wife and two young children. The burial took place at Fairview cemetery last Saturday afternoon, where a committal service was conducted in charge of Rev. L. H. Buckshorn.

About Town.

The Unitarian Sunday school gave a Thanksgiving concert on Sunday even—The of the Johnston sufferers."

The program of a concert given on the program of a concert given on the seconds and two tickets for each member." Throughout this winter the present at each rehearsal. The lowest number was on March 2, when only five mem showed up; the lightest on the vaccing the program of a concert given on the program of a conc had only been removed to the hospital

Thanksgiving concert on Sunday even-ing to a full and appreciative audience that was out to encourage and inspire.

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The choir loaned themselves in the anthem. Others who were part in the program as children of the Sunday school were William and Mary Carven, Marden and Gordon Seavey, Fisher Buckshorn, John Fletcher, Freida, Alice and Maude Johnson, Marion and Midred Fletcher, Everett M. Benault, Education of the Sunday school were william and Mary Carven, Marden and Gordon Seavey, Fisher Buckshorn, John Fletcher, Freida, Alice and Maude Johnson, Marion and Midred Fletcher, Everett M. Benault, Education of the Sunday school were william and Mary Carven, Marden and Fletcher, Everett M. Benault, Education of the Sunday school were william and Mary Carven, Marden and Gordon Seavey, Fisher Buckshorn, John Fletcher, Freida, Alice and Maude Johnson, Marion and Midred Fletcher, Everett M. Benault, Education of the Sunday school were william and Mary Carven, Marden and Fletcher, Freida, Alice and Maude Johnson, Marion and Midred Fletcher, Everett M. Benault, Education of the Sunday school were william and Mary Carven, Marden and Fletcher, Freida, Alice and Maude Johnson, Marion and Midred Fletcher, Everett M. Benault, Education of the Sunday school were william and Mary Carven, Marden and Gordon Seavey, Fisher Buckshorn, John Fletcher, Freida, Alice and Maude Johnson, Marion and Midred Fletcher, Everett M. Benault, Education of the Sunday school were william and Mary Carven, Market and Mary C a Hamblin, Betty Prescott, Elizabeth Rev. L. H. Buckshorn also gave a reading.

Rev. L. H. Buckshorn preached an eloquent sermon last Sunday on "War and business ethics." Next Sunday he will speak on "The world's tragedy and the church."

J. Henry Colburn is in the carpenter employ of Needham & Fletcher, Lit-

One stave from the Old Oaken Bucket farm is visiting at the Thomas E. Taylor's in Woodsville, N. H., who celebrates his seventy-third birthday and fiftieth anniversary of his mar-riage coming closely together—the former on November 23, and the latter on November 28.

The Pitkin family of Vermont, formerly of the Drew-Read farm have be-come part of the farm reliance for labor.

Mrs. Solon Dodge, of Groton, has been a recent visitor with her uncle and aunt, Charles E. and Miss Belle Walker, at the old Walker homestead on Main street.

The Old Oaken Bucket spent part of their energies and some appetite with the Fred A. Snows in West Chelms-ford, Thanksglving day.

Twenty-four from Westford Grange were in the brave line against storm, darkness and a liberal contribution of mud last week Thursday evening and fulfilled the neighbor night promise to West Chelmsford Grange. Tyngs-boro Grange was also present.

Mrs. George H. McGregor, of West-ford Corner, observed with friends last week sixty-nine years' worth of live and be useful.

and be useful.

At the birthday-marriage annivereary of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas E. Taylor in Woodsville, N. H., Tuesday, the
G. A. R., by Comrade Willis, presented
each with gold souvenirs, and the Pine
street neighbors followed the same
trail. Relatives in Westford, West
Chelmsford, Lowell, New Jersey, North
Dakota and other places in New
Hampshire were in the receiving line
by the proxy of congratulations and

There was a gathering of Granger

Deuth.

Death.

Rev. Edward B. Maglathin died at his home in West Bridgewater on last week Friday in his sixty-fifth year. He was ordained to the ministry in 1881, and for four years was minister of the Unitarian church in Harvard. For two years he was minister of the Unitarian church in Westford, and for two years he was one of the masters of the high school in Cambridge. In 1888 he was anoninted superintendent. of the high school in Cambridge. In 1889 he was appointed superintendent of schools in Easthampton. In 1891 he was elected superintendent of schools in Easton. In 1896 he was a director of the Bristol County Teach-ers' association and served five years. In 1893 he was called as minister of In 1893 he was called as minister of the First Parish in West Bridgewater, where he served as minister for more than twenty years. As a resident of Westford he is well remembered for his unflinching loyalty to convictions, and his cultured and genial personality and scholarly life. In political matters, as in his religious convictions, he was industrially loyal to truth as he read it up and thought and acted it in life. He was a loyal believer in free trade without any custom house, reservations for revenue, and was ever ervations for revenue, and was ever ready to defend this faith with all onready to defend this fatth with all of comers. While a resident of Harvard he was chairman of the democratic town committee, and in Westford was active in the cause of humanity as it revealed to him truth. He left a widow and several children.

Graniteville.

Miss Marie Louise Brule and Dennis Garnon, two well-known young people of this village, were united in mar-riage at the parochial residence of St. John's church, North Chelmsford, on John's church, North Chelmsford, on Monday morning, November 27, at nine o'clock. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Henry L. Scott. The bridesmaid was Miss Ruby Gagnon, a sister of the groom, and the best man was Norber Brule, brother of the bride. The bride's costume was of hanksgiving.

Mr. and Mrs. Oscar R. Spalding enertained a family group of twelve for hanksgiving day.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Hildreth entered by automobile to Lowell, where a wedding breakfast was served at the Richardson house. In the evening a wedding reception was held at the bride's home in this village that was largely attended by friends of the young couple. After a brief wedding trip Mr. and Mrs. Gagnon will take up their residence in this village. their residence in this village. W. Carroll Furbush, of the U. S Torpedo Boat Destroyer Tucker, was a

recent visitor at the home of his par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Furbush. Rev. U. H. Layton, with Mrs. Lay-ton and their young son, have recently moved from Livermore Falls. Me., to North Dana in the western part of this state, where Mr. Layton has accepted a call to a fine parish.

F. Russell Furbush left here recent y to accept the position of manager of large auto garage in Pittsfield. The mills and shops closed here on Thanksgiving day as usual and the day was spent very pleasantly in peaceful

home gatherings. Notices have been posted in the mills of the Abbot Worsted Company announcing an increase in wages to employees, the same to go into effeccommencing Monday, December 1.

The family of Alfred Prinn have re-cently moved into one of the new houses on River street.

The youngsters have been enjoying skating on some of the small streams in this vicinity.

GROTON

History of Groton Band.

In December, 1888; U. H. Barrows was made first leader, a position which he held until December, 1892, a period of four years. Rehearsals continued without interruption. On February 22, 1889, the band played for a farmers' levee. The record say, "Got \$5 for the band and two tickets for each manners."

music they played at that time: Na-hant March: Gen. Banks' March: Old hant March; Gen. Banks' March; Old Times March; Adjutant Keeler March; Schottische, "Rural Thoughts"; Schot-tische, "Dear One Far Away"; Waltz, "The Little Fishermaiden"; Overture, "Our Pride"; Polka, "Anvil." Prob-ably the order in which they are re-corded was not the order in which they were played, as four marches in succession would be out of the ordi-nary.

nary.
Nothing of special interest appears again in the records until May 9, 1881, when we read that the last meeting was held in Music Hall. This place had been used for twelve or fourteen years and was a good place, except, as John Donahue says. "It was hot in the summer and cold in the winter." The band had to vacate, we understand, because the town wished to fix up the room for a grade school. They went from Music Hall to the room in the town hall building where they meet at the present time, the town kindly giving them free use of it.

On October 23, 1891, the band played for a firemen's muster in Ayer. On May 23, 1892, the following men were again in the records until May 9, 1891,

ed for a firemen's muster in Ayer. On May 23, 1892, the following men were proposed for membership: Thomas Black, Patrick Sullivan, John Donahue, John Devine and Henry Adams, and on May 23, they were voted in on which date Oren Cummings was given a discharge.

Thomas Black was a colored fellow and played snare drum. Everyone who played with him agrees that he was a fine drummer, although he "faked" more than he read the part. He played xylophone as well as drums.

He played xylophone as well as drums. He had the negro's proverblal good humor and kept the band jolly whenever they went off anywhere. He played with the band until he moved to Lorentzete.

played with the band until he moved to Leominster.
Patrick Sullivan was a blacksmith in Pepperell and played E-clarinet. George Blopd says that he used to stamp his name on his part to each selection. He played several years with the band.
John Devine played clarinet and lived in West Groton. He came over to rehearsals with Henry Adams, who also lived in West Groton at that time, He did not remain in the band long.
John Donahue has been mentioned before. He says that he moved to Cambridge in 1887, and on his return did not rejoin the band. We cannot understand the discrepancy between this statement and that contained in understand the discrepancy between this statement and that contained in the record book, unless there was an-other man by the same name. This will be cleared up later. Henry Adams, although only pro-posed for membership in 1898, had played with the band off and on for

played with the band off and on for ten years. When he moved to Groton he was urged to become a regular member. Mr. Adams' career in music began with the Mulpus band, under the direction of Stephen Tyler, in the seventies. Mr. Tyler was acquainted with Mr. Adams, as they had worked together coopering, and when upon starting the Mulpus band he needed a baritone player, he sent word to Henry to get an instrument and come up. Mr. Adams went to Worcester for a baritone and quickly "caught on" to blowing it, and went to rehearsals blowing it, and went to rehearsals with the Mulpus band.

Although Mulpus, situated between West Groton and Lunenburg, is some distance from Groton, still its band is interesting to us because it represents the starting point in the musical careers of a number of well-known careers of a number of well-known local musicians of the present day. It would be interesting to study into the causes, at certain periods in the last century, of numerous bands springing up in out-of-the-way towns. Whether this social phenomenon was due to the desire of ensemble playing on brass in-

desire of ensemble playing on brass instruments, to the anticipated social activities connected with a band, or just to the pure love of music which has to express itself, it would be difficult to determine; but it must have been, at all events, a by-product of a certain stage of community cultivation.

A band is, we believe, almost unknown in a town or two or three thousand in a state like Texas. The ambition of the men who started movements resulting in building up bands in towns like Ashby, Townsend, Groton, Pepperell and Mulpus, is certainly praiseworthy.

ton. Popperell and Mulpus, is certain-ly praiseworthy.

But to return to the Mulpus band.
They rehearsed in the schoolhouse there, and some of the best known musicians in the country towns in this musicians in the country towns in this vicinity had their start in this humble place. The Lancey brothers, Roswell, Frank and William, and T. E. Flarity of Townsend, Huntley Turner and Otis Kittredge of Ayer, and Henry Adams of West Groton are persons known to all musicians in this section—they all beggin at Multus? began at Mulpus.

All of the Mulpus men did not turn

All of the Mulpus men did not turn out successful musicians. One member, who shall be nameless, took up cornet. He used to come to rehearsals in a two-wheeled gig, with his instrument slung beneath it. He did not make progress enough to suit Mr. Tyler and the latter told him goodheartedly that he had better give it up. The young musician was highly increased and said that he might "not be as good as the best of them, but he was better than some." He continued to play, doing considerable tinued to play, doing considerable damage in his section of the band. There seemed to be no less heroic method of discouraging him, so one night the fellows extricated his cornet from beneath the giz and threw it into the pond near the Lunenburg poor farm. That ended the unhappy musifarm. That ended the unhappy musician's career. Our Kittredge, of Ayer, led the Mulpus band one year, and states that he had a very good band, playing in Fitchburg and other places. Mr. Adams progressed quite rapidly on the baritone, but being of a very accommodating nature, he shifted from one instrument to another at Mr. Tyler's request to fill up the weak places. One season he played E-cornet with Warren Lane; at another time B-cornet, and again valve trombone. It was not for some years that bone. It was not for some years that he shifted to bass, which he still plays he shifted to bass, which he still plays. Besides playing the brass instruments Mr. Adams plays drums, violin and the instruments of the mandolin family. For the past three winters he has played with Odell's Boston Festival Mandolin club at their concerts in Boston.

Mr. Adams went back and forth from West Groton to Groton several seasons. In 1891, business being rather low with the Groton organization, he organized the West Groton Cornet band, becoming its director, teacher and manager. Fred Blood, Wallace and Otis Kittredge, Edward Mellish and Fred Sleeper are some of the men who played in the band at West Groton. Mr. Adams gave Mr. Sleeper his first lessons in music, starting him on cornet, which he played for several years. He found his forte to be baritone, however, and when once on this Adams went back and forth years. He found his forte to be bari-tone, however, and when once on this instrument he progressed rapidly, be-coming one of the best baritone play-ers in this section. He played cornet, alto and baritone with the Groton band at different times, and of late years has played with the Shirley and Ayer bands, where his solos are still listened to with a great deal of pleas-ure.

Mr. Adams hired a few Groton mer The program of a concert given on to play in his band, bought uniforms Robert Col August 21 is given in the records and from the Leominster band, held strenner will consist worth printing to show the kind of uous rehearsals, and on Decoration ent home.

day, 1891, appeared in public, playing in Lunenburg. Throughout the summer band concerts were given in front of Sqannacook hall, or at the homes of any of the citizens who would invite and treat the band. Entertainments were held and money enough raised to pay all debts. But it was too much of a competition with the older band in Groton, and so the West Groton organization passed out of existence in less than a year.

less than a year. (To be continued) LITTLETON

News. Items. Mrs. Minnie Johnson is in Winthrop helping care for her grandmother, Mrs. Sarah Smith, in her ninety-sixth ear, who is suffering from the in

firmities of advanced age. Harry W. Knights has bought the trotting park and has men and horses working on the land.

On Wednesday afternoon, December, the United Workers meet with Mrs. George H. Kimball. Leader, Mrs. F. S. Kimball. Subject, "Following the cross." Current events, Mrs. Alvord. Rev. Oliver J. Fairfield will deliver his James W. Riley lecture in Nashua, N. H., last week Wednesday.

Sunday, December 10, has been selected as a date for the every-member canvass in the Orthodox Congregational church. Extensive preparations are being made and it is hoped that the church finances will be put upon a firm

ouriness basis. Ernest Lund has resigned from the anitorship of the Orthodox church. Rev. J. C. Alvord expects to preach on "The every-member canvass," Sun-

day. The War Relief association will meet with Mrs. William Channing Brown on next week Thursday.

The fe

Rev. William C. Brown spent last week with the family of Rev. John Melick in Salt Lake City. He is expected home next week after an abpected home next week after a next week after ence of two months. Mrs. A. W. Turner, of Milford, N.

visited at H. F. Proctor's early Mr and Mrs J. Warren Fletcher, Mr and Mrs 3, warren rietener, Mrs, Carrie Nye, Miss Mary Nye, Miss-es Myrtle and Edith Fletcher, and Roland Fletcher had a pleasant Thanksgiving at Mr. and Mrs. Elmer Fletcher's.

The Burton S. Flagg family, of Andover, and C. F. Flagg and daughter Marion were at C. K. Houghton's on

Phanksgiving day. Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Parker enterained as their Thanksgiving guests his mother, Mrs. Fred Parker, of Bil-

erica, and her sister, Mrs. Charles B. Anthony, of Boston Miss Florence Brown, teacher, of Milton, was the holiday guest of her sister, Mrs. W. C. Brown.

Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Hopkins entertained a party of nine from Winthrop, Wakefield, and Derry, N. H. Mrs. Annie C. Smith is spending a week with friends in Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Kimball and L. W. Bartlett and daughter, of Greenfield, were holiday guests of Mrs. J. A. Kimball and Miss Kimball.

Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb at-ended the funeral of Miss Chase in lynn on Wednesday. Antonio Tace has moved into the

Charles Gordon and family, of Newton, were at H. S. Brown's, King street, over Thanksgiving. Mrs. P. S. Whitcomb welcomed her children and grandchildren of the H. A. Robbins family, of Newton, and the G. M. Lovejoy family of Hartford, through the holiday season.

Mrs. Minnie Hartwell entertained Mrs. Ada Ireland and son William, the G. F. Hibbards, Mrs. Mary F. Robbins and the George Haywards Thurs-

Amos Black succeeds Mr. Young as foreman for Dr. Cross on his New-Mr. and Mrs. Walter Kimball will son house, Monday night

have a large family reunion at their home on Sunday as all could not be present Thanksgiving day.

Only a few sho Goodwin Warner has sold his farm, known as the Cyrus Pickard place, to Robert Cobb, of Brookline. Mr. War-ner will continue to live in his pres-



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Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Brown have returned from a very pleasant visit with their son, Dr. Ernest Brown, and

family in Springfield. Mrs. Justin Merrill, who underwent an operation Monday, is in the care of Dr. J. D. Christic and doing remarkably well.

quet en Monday night at the Richardson hotel, to some sixty residents of the town.

the town.

A cheque received yesterday, for \$100, from Francis G. Hayes, attorney for the Avery Chemical Co., will pay the bills.

the bills.

The instand outs of the story leading up to the actual receipt of the century cheque yesterday make very good reading. It will be recalled that the residents of the Wamesit section of Tewksbury, some months ago, protested against an alleged nuisance created by the chimney of the Avery Chemical Co., contending that the emission of certain gases injured crops. The upshot of the whole thing was

that a public hearing was held in the town hall, Tewksbury, last July, About town hall, Tewksbury, last July, Adom 75 persons were present, including Al-lan Claffin, attorney for the chemical company. At that hearing it was said that owing to the war with Germany a certain delicate instrument used for a certain delicate instrument used for the detection of gases could not be secured. Mr. Rogers, attorney for the town, didn't quite agree with this state-ment, whereupon Mr. Claffin made an offer to the effect that he would give \$100 to any person present who could find such an instrument.

find such an instrument.

The next day Mr. Rogers went to Boston, and in a place in Broad street located the exact instrument in question. He hurried to inform Mr. Claflin. The latter wrote in due season and said that the information was considerably like pardon—it came too late. In other words the Avery Chemical Co. had learned of the existence of the instrument and had got it.

This didn't deter Mr. Rogers in the least from prosecuting his claim. In due time he brought suit against Mr. Claffin and the case was listed for trial within, a few days. Mr. Rogers summoned twenty persons who were present at the hearing as witnesses. All of these men were very glad to

present at the hearing as witnesses. All of these men were very glad to testify. As soon as the Avery Chemical-Co. officials learned of the suit Mr. Hayes, another attorney, got into touch with Mr. Rogers, with the result that the \$100 cheque was paid over yesterday. And to celebrate the glad event Mr. Rogers is preparing for a joilification banquet at the Richardson house. Monday right.

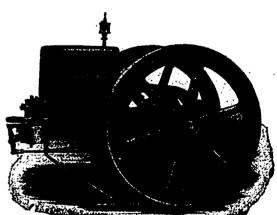
Only a few short weeks ago every politician's heart was overflowing with love for the working man, and each was busy explaining to the said workwhat wonderful things the candidate in whose interest he

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talking would do for labor in the event Within two weeks after election and almost before the votes were officially counted, comes the announcement that 15,000 business men, backed by \$8,000,000,000 of capital, are organiz-

ing for the purpose of stamping out the unions through the country and a big fund is being subscribed to defray the expenses of this somewhat difficult job. The matter came up before the A. F. of L. convention in Baltimore which has just adjourned and had the effect of bringing together all the component parts of that organization and brought out a vigorous declaration of war which was adopted unanimously, the preparing the way if both sides effect of pringing together.

effect of pringing together, and capital second ponent parts of that organization and brought out a vigorous declaration of war which was adopted unanimously, thus preparing the way, if both sides stick to their guns, for the greatest want and get it rather than vote for war between labor and capital the world has ever seen. All petty differences between the various labor unions were instantly dropped and all fell into line as against a common enemy.

between labor and capital seems extra good.

Those working men who believe it is better to vote for what you don't want you want and not get it, ought to be particularly well satisfied with the results of the election, for it surely looks like they would get just what they voted for—"and then some."

V. T. E.

The railroads, too, have started vig

matter of striking. President Wilson, it has to be admitted, was honest enough to give his out-spoken approval of such a measure even before election and it is not to be expected he will have changed his opinion in favor of labor since that event.

of labor since that event.

If the supreme court follows its usual action on laws favoring the working class it will promptly declare the Adamson law unconstitutional, thus giving the railroad men a chanco to start the fight all over again. Altogether the prospects for a lively scrap gether the prospects for a lively scrap between labor and capital seems extra

The railroads, too, have started vigorous measures to nulify the eighthour law for the men, showing that they perfectly understood it was passed as a pre-election bluft to stave off the threatened strike of the trainmen.

Undoubtedly congress will try to pass a compulsory arbitration act early in the session in the endeavor to crip-

LITTLETON

News Items.

The Baptist church held its second parish-wide visitation, or every mem-ber canvass on last Sunday afternoon, ten teams of visitors, two in each team, making the rounds of the families during the afternoon and returning to the church to compare notes and to report at the evening service.

Mrs. Margaret Parker, Mrs. Alice Prouty, Mrs. Martin Kimball, Mrs. Florence Wilcox and Miss Marion Plagg spent a very pleasant afternoon as guests of the Groton Woman's club on Friday of last week.

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Misses Fannie and Gertrude Sanderson have closed the old homestead for a while during the cold weather and have taken an apartment on Walnut street in Boston.

The Amos Black family will return come Concord Junction and again from Concord Junction and again make their home in Newtown, having engaged the McKinley house.

At the evening meeting on Sunday there will be a union service with the intermediates. Robert Wood is the leader appointed. Subject, "Little chances to help."

The Forget-not circle of the King's Daughters will meet on Tuesday, December 5, at the usual time and place. Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Hartwell spent Sunday and Monday in Boston.

Death.

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Daniel C. Fletcher, of Charlestown; passed away on Monday night, November 27, at the age of 88 years and 6 months. Funeral services were held in the Unitarian church on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock, and interment was in the family lot at Westlawn. Mr. Fletcher was one of the young men who answered the call for volunteers in 1861, and gave his services willingly and herolcally for the preservation of the union. He wrote an account of his experiences some years ago and many of our townspeeple have read with much interest the very commendable product of his ready pen. Much of his life was spent on the home farm in Newtown, and though absent in body for several years his interests in his old home and the community have always remained with him, and his visits here have been trequent until the infirmities of age necessitated made them impossible.

Mr. Fletcher was the only survivor of the Mozart Civil War Regiment of New York and a member of the Massachusetts Legislature in 1874. He, who was the last of his family, was a son of Jonathan and Lydia Hammond Fletcher, and was born in Editleton. Daniel C. Fletcher, of Charlestown;

who was the last of his family, was a son of Jonathan and Lydia Hammond Fletcher, and was born in latitleton. He attended Westford academy. He enlisted in April, 1861, in Company H of the Fortieth New York Regiment, known as the Mozart Regiment. He was shot in the leg at the Battle of Chantilly, September 1, 1862, and because of this wound was discharged from the service. Mr. Fletcher had been a member of E. S. Clark post, G. A. R., of Groton, but in late years transferred his membership to Francis Gould post of Arlington.

Thanksgiving Guests.

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The W. A. Munsons of Walpole were Thanksgiving guests of the J. H. Hardy's. The H. F. Proctors were entertained at J. M. Hartwell's. Misses Fannie and Gertrude Sanderson dined with Judge Sanderson and family in Ayer. E. L. Shedd of Bellows Falls spent Thanksgiving season with his daughter. Mrs. L. A. Hager and family. The N. H. Whitcomb family were guests of Mr. and Mrs. John Adams of Concord Junction, who welcomed all the Adams brothers and sisters. Miss Marjorie Turner, a Ware friend, teaching in the York Village, Me. High school, Misses Priscilla and Juniata Fairfield of B. U., and John G. Fairfield of B. U., and John G. Fairfield of Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute, Troy, N. Y., enjoyed a holiday reunion at Rev. O. J. Fairfield's. Douglas Whitcomb and family with the E. P. Carr family of Somerville spent Thanksgiving at Waterbury. Conn., at Herbert Whitcomb's. George Gardner and family on Nashua, N. H., were holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Whitcomb. A large family gathering enjoyed Thanksgiving at A. P. Gardner's. J. A. Wright entertained his children and grandchildren. Miss Gladys Kimball of Gardner, Miss Mary Kimball of Framingham, Miss Evelyn Kimball of Simmons college with her room-mate, Miss Bond, were at Everett Kimball's Thanksgiving.

All conditions favored the Woman's club Monday evening and every feature of Guest night contributed to make a complete success. Finer weather could not be desired. The club members and guests from town and many from outside were present in large numbers. The Congregational vestry was conveniently furnished and homelike in appearance. The club president, Mrs. Margaret Parker, with becoming modesty and pleasing grace, presented the speaker and musician of the evening, Charles Newton Pollard, a former acquaintance of Littleton people, a profound music student and able teacher, who gave an instructive lecture followed by his skilful rendering of music by German, Italian, French and Russian composers. Mr. Pollard's entertainment met with such high favor that the request for another in the future by this accomplished artist was urged. The social hour in the vestry was a feature that all enjoyed. Under the supervision of Mesdames Howard, Jacobs and Eames, cake and ice cream were served. The club ushers deserve a good word for their courteous service and all who planned and helped carry into effect the arrangements for the evening may accept thanks and congratulations for the happy culmination of their efforts. All conditions favored the Woman's of their efforts.

Clipping.

From the Textile World Journal we quote the following:

"Alan A. Classin's formal announcement of the organization of the Alliance Chemical Co., Boston, is the sirst notice many of his friends have had of his retirement from the Avery Chemical Co. Mr. Classin graduated from M. I. T. in 1894 and has been connected with the Avery Chemical Co. ever since; in fact he established that company as an industrial chemical manufacturing concern. He has been particularly known to the textile trade for his works in connection with the introduction and use of lactic acid in the textile industry, as well as the author of many scientific and technical addresses and papers on the chemical and economic side of textile coloring. He established the Avery Chemical Co. as an industrial chemical manufacturing concern.

ical Co. as an industrial chemical manufacturing concern.

"The Alliance Chemical Co. is the selling end of a manufacturing company which Mr. Ciailin and some of his chemical staff are establishing for the manufacture of synthetic dyestuffs and chemical products formerly imported. In addition to selling the products of their associated manufacturing company the Alliance Chemical Co. will act as representative of other manufacturing concerns."

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Saturday, December 2, 1916.

GROTON

News Items. Owing to the conflict with the Wo-man's club meeting on Friday of last week the senior class high school food sale was held Thursday afternoon of last week. The tables were prettily

well known in Groton and was an unwell known in Groton and was an in-cle of our citizen, George E. Lawrence of Hollis street. He was a Civil war soldier of Co. B, 32d Mass. regt. and often told interesting reminiscences of his war experience. He was wounded at Fredericksburg when he was crippled for life. The post attended his funeral from his late residence in Pep-perell on Tuesday afternoon. The inperell on Tuesday afternoon. The in-terment was in cemetery at Pepperell.

Commander Berry of the E. S. Clark post received word on Tuesday night that another G. A. R. comrade had died. Daniel Fletcher, of Littleton, who was a member of the post, and ised occasionally to come over to post meetings and Memorial days, died in Charlestown on Monday, November 27. The deaths of Comarde Lawrence, whose funeral was on Tuesday, and of Comrade Fletcher, both crippled veterans, leaves only eight comrades belonging to E. S. Clark post. The funeral of Daniel Fletcher was, on

will come out all right.

The superintendent of the tree department of the town with his assistants was three burning brush when the fire got away from the superintendent of the tree department of the town with his assistants was three burning brush when the fire got away from the superintendent of the tree department of the town with his assistants was three burning brush when the fire got away from the superintendent of the tree department of the town with his assistants was three burning brush when the fire got away from the superintendent of the tree department of the town with his assistants was three burning brush when the fire got away from the superintendent of the

Prof. Woon Young Chun of Harvard college, a native Chinaman, who was a most attractive speaker, using the most perfect English and dressed in most perfect English and dressed in our own fasion. He is a young man about 22 years or so of age and was educated in this country. He is a na-tive of Shanghai and gave descriptions of the life and custome of his country-men in a most entertaining manner.

men in a most entertaining manner.

Prof. Woon Young Chun was given a warm reception by his Groton audience. Chinamen are not so very rare now even in our country towns, but this is the first instance here of one giving us a public lecture. F. L. Blood of the trustees of the lecture fund makes always special effort to give his fellow citizens as good and entertaining a variety of lectures as is possible and Groton is certainly favored in this respect.

husband and their boy from Hartford. Conn., then their son, B. H. Tyrrell, with his wife and their three children were there, also Miss Irene Tyrrell, teacher, came home from Springfield and Dorothy, the youngest, a light school girl, made up the twelve. The next regular meeting of Groton Grange will be held Wednesday evening, Docember 6, instead of the regular light, as the members are planning to attend the state grange meetings in Boston December 12, 13 and 14.

The History of the Groton Band will be found on page two.

C. H. Berry, commander of E. S. Clark post, received word Sunday of the post and to the W. R. C. He was really expected to meet at the social gatherings and reunions with the W. R. C. He was really need to zay that a large number of the social gatherings and reunions with the W. R. C. He was really even down the member of the social gatherings and reunions with the W. R. C. He was really even disappoint and the state great awakening all over the state and the progressive office great praise officers then, on command, the product of the great praise officers then, on command, the creation of the post with the captain, on his left, Capt, Richard Lawrence, personal adde to Governor McCall, by individual took post on Capt. Powers and surprising the singers. The public of Governor McCall, by individual took post on Capt. Powers commanded of the first plateon and sergital praise of the control of the second plateon. A share took the state and the progressive the captain, on his left, Capt, Richard Lawrence, personal adde to Governor McCall, by individual took post on Capt. Powers commanded the state great award to the work this connection and the state great award to the work this connection and the progressive to the work this connection. The heart of the succession of the post and to the work that connection and the progressive the captain to the progression of the post and to the work that connection the progression of the post and to the W. R. C. We was sent to other members of the post and to

followed. The orchestra was composed of the best men from Nevers band of Concord, N. H., under the leadership of Herbert W. Rainie. The music received many praises during the evening.

The dancing began with a grand march, led by Lieut and Mrs. Branigan and Capt. and Mrs. Lawrence, At 11.30 mezs call was sounded to announce the supper served by George Meyet in the lower town hall. Dancing was resumed at midnight and taps was blown at one o'clock.

The committee in charge, to whom is due the greatest share of the credit for the remarkable success of the affects.

for the remarkable success of the credit for the remarkable success of the af-fair, consisted of Priv. Frank A. Tor-rey, chairman, Sergt. Arthur W. Lamb, Corp. Stephen W. Sabine, Cook Fred G. Carpenter and Priv. William Den-aby.

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The voters of the town are the only ones who can decide how money shall be spent and we not only invite the men (the voters) but we urge them to attend this meeting so that they can judge from what they hear whether it will be wise at the next town meeting to appropriate a sum of money for improvement of one or more of our parks outside of what is appropriated for the Lawrence playground.

We shall cordially welcome any and all who way come to our meeting, the more who come; the better we shall be pleased. Georgianna A. Boutwell.

LITTLETON

News Items.

Robert Hartwell, of Durham college, is at home for Thanksgiving recess. It is understood that E. A. Strou has sold his farm, the Stillman Flags

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell by auction to settle the estate of Charles H. Andrews, late of West Groton, all the farm property and household goods on Monday morning. December 11, at nine o'clock, at his late residence on the road from West Groton to Lunenburg—a big sale, so don't missit.

New Advertisement.

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

Whereas, THOMAS L. HAZEN administrator of the estate of said Court his petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the real estate of said deceased, for the purpose of distribution.

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1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

Land said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by délivering a copy thereof to all persons interested, who can be found within the Commonwealth, fourteen days, at least, before said Court, and if any one can not be so found, by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

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

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F. M. ESTY, Register.

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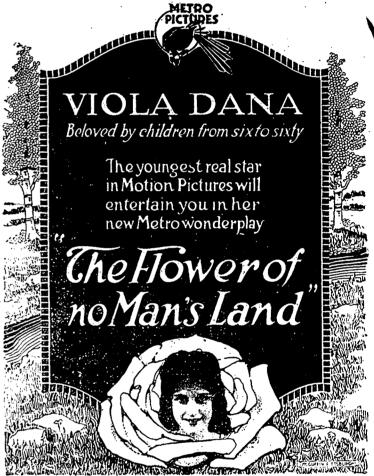
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Oils H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell by auction on Thursday morning, De-cember 14, at ten o'clock, 30 cows, helfers, bulls, horses, 50 tons ensilage at the Lincoln Valley farm. Winter street, Lincoln.

New Advertisements.

FOR SALE—At private sale a lot of Household Furniture, Antiques, such as bureaus, chairs, clocks, candelabra, etc., a very old-fashioned Piano, milk bottles and cans, palls, a colony of bees and all equipment, and many other articles. JOHN MALCOLM, Old Groton Road, Ayer, Mass.

LOST—Between my office in Ayer and my home in Groton, November 21, a small Box, containing a silver pin and six plain teeth. DR. GHLSON, Ayer.

FOR SALE—Cheap for Cash, 4 good business Horses, young and sound. ADAMS STABLE, Groton, Mass.

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ltems of local interest are solicited and must always be accompanied by the name of the writer, not for publication, but as a guarantee of good faith, and will always be considered strictly confidential. Kindly mail items soon after the day of occurrence and do not wait unnecessarily.

"'Tis to the Pen and Press we mortals
we believe and almost all we
know."

Saturday, December 2, 1916.

AYER

News Items.

Among those from Ayer who attended the Harvard-Yale football game in New Haven, Conn., last Saturday were John H: and Frank J. Hooley, John M. Carrigan, Mr. and Mrs. John D. Carney and John H. Wateh

Gorham K. Brooks killed a young Gornam K. Brooks killed a young buck deer near the south railroad yard last Saturday morning. This makes a total of four deer killed by local nunters during the open season for a week ending last Saturday at sunset.

Mrs. John Galvin, a former resident of Ayer, died suddenly at her home in Cambridge last week. Miss Alice Galvin and John F. Lynch, of this town, attended the funeral, which took place in that city on Thursday.

Ellsworth Reed has returned from the Clinton hospital, where he recently underwent an operation for hernia. Ernest Ruddy, formerly clerk in Brown's lunch-room, entered the em-ploy of Blodgett & Markham on Mon-

A new spur track was started Monday by the Lowell and Fitchburg Street Railway Company at North Chelmsford, near the transfer station. Rumor says that it will be used for setting off cars when the cars run through from Fitchburg to Lowell.

Robert H. Saunders, who is an ex-ress messenger on the Boston and press messenger on the Boston and Maine railroad, is off duty by reason of an accident which happened in the North Station, Boston, last week. the unloading of a safe it tipped over and struck the forward part of his right foot, cracking the joint.

Ralph M. Jackson, a well-known freight brakeman on the Fitchburg division, was thrown against the forward end of the caboose of extra freight No. 1423. Ayer bound from Deerfield, at 1423. Ayer bound from Deerfield, at 4.45 o'clock Monday morning in Fitchburg. He was stunned and later removed to the Burbank hospital in that city. At first it was thought that he was seriously injured. An examination at the hospital however, showed that such was not the case. He was discharged from the hospital later in the day. He sustained a scalp wound, near the right ever and bruises about discharged from the hospital later in the day. He sustained a scalp wound, near the right eye; and bruises about the head, shoulders and back. At the time of the accident Jackson was riding in the caboose, when a sudden stopping of the train threw him violently against the forward part of the car.

Miss Annie Hillery was operated upon for a severe case of appendicitis at the Memorial hospital in Nashua, N. H., last Monday.

Morris Schwartz has bought out the restaurant in the Day building, so-car, and the day that the later in the pay building, so-car, and the state of the car.

the Shirley road and the Fitchburg di-vision tracks, a short distance beyond West Main street railroad crossing. was the cause for sounding an alarm was the cause for sounding an tharm from box 29 shortly before two o'cleck last Sunday afterneon. It was at first feared that the blaze would set some of the nearby houses afire, but the work of volunteer irre-fighters and the fire department soon removed all dan-

romance, daring and desperate adventure in five absorbing acts, presenting Mabel Taliaferro, the magnetic little star. In this production she has an unusually fascinating part to play. In addition there will be shown the ninth episode of "The shielding shadow," serial, entitled "The incorrigible captive."

The December meeting of the Ayer canch Alliance will be held on De-mber 14 at 2.30 in the afternoon, stead of December 7, owing to the instead of December 7, owing to the union fair coming on the same date. The hostesses will be Mrs. G. J. Burns, Mrs. H. E. Fisher, Mrs. W. C. Jackson and Mrs. E. A. Whitney, at the home of Mrs. Burns and Mrs. Eisher.

A special meeting of the Ladies' A special meeting of the fadies and all the first and church was held at the home of Mrs. Charles G. Hassam on Friday aftermoon of last week. A goodly number were present and quite a large amount work was accomplished on articles for the union fair.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Perrin and daughter Marguerite spent Thanks-giving with Mrs. Perrin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Kennan, of Somer-ville. Mrs. Perrin and daughter will stay over the week-end and Sunday.

"A definite faith" will be the sub-ject of the morning sermon at the Federated church on Sunday morn-ing. Sunday school will meet at noon ing. Sunday school will meet at noon and the C. E. society at six in the evening. At the evening service the subject will be "The man who tried to get away from himself," being a study of one of the characters in Kingsley's "Hypatia." Mid-week service Thursday evening at 7.30.

The next rehearsal of the Ayer Mu sical society will be on Tuesday even-ing. December 5, in Hardy's hall. Every member is expected to be pres-ent. Kindly make it a duty to do so.

The Peace and Unity club, a well-nown colored organization, will have known colored organization, will have its annual emancipation concert and ball in the town hall on Monday evenng, January 1.

Ayer Council, K. C., conferred the second degree on two candidates at its regular meeting on Tuesday evening. Chief Beatty took into custody on Tuesday a boy giving his name as Joseph Carney and his home as Worcester. The chief got into communication with the boy's parents and he went back home on Wednesday. Walter R. McDonald, who was se-

water R. McDonald, who was severely injured at Deerfield a short time ago while employed as a fireman on the Boston and Maine railroad, has returned from the Greenfield hospital, where he has been under treatment. He is now at his home here.

Miss Anna G. Taylor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lyman J. Taylor, is spending Thanksgiving and the week-end at her home. She is teaching in

Paul W. Carrigan, son of Mr. and Mrs. Martin Carrigan, is at home from his studies in Dartmouth college, over the holiday.

Cleye Alley, of Everett, and Miss Edith Allen, of Newton, spent Thanks-giving with Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. E. Force. At the meeting of Harbinger lodge, K. P., Monday evening, there will be the annual election of officers. The rank of page will be conferred on five candidates.

There will be a change on time on the Boston and Maine system begin-ning on Monday. The changes so far as they concern Ayer and the adjoin-ing towns are very slight.

Misses Fannie and Gertrude Sanderson, of Littleton, spent Thanksgiving with their brother, Judge George Sanderson.

The schools closed on Wednesday afternoon for over Thanksgiving and the week-end, and will re-open Monday morning.

There are many cases of measles in town. Since the epidemic first broke out there have been forty cases report-ed to the board of health.

Morris Schwartz has bought out the restaurant in the Day building, so-called, on Merchants row. He is said to have secured a five-year lease of the building from Louis Brooks, of Boston, the present owner of the building

Richard Farrell, who has been an tionard Farroll, whos has been as one as one ployee at the tannery for about a week, was taken to Salem this week Friday by Inspector Barrett of that city. A complaint has been made against him charging him with non-

d a growing sense of brotherhood in the worship of the Father and in the common discipleship of the Master.

Unitarian Church Notes.

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Sunday service—Regular offices, morning prayer and sermon at 10,45, Music: Prelude, "The homeland," Johnson; "Seven-fold amen," Stainer; "Venite," Boyce; "Te deum," Stainer; offertory anthem, "My faith looks up to thee," Fearis, alto solo, Miss Clark; postlude, "Morning song," Mendelssohn, Preacher, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, the minister. Subject, "Confession of faith." Church school at twelve.

men are staining and waxing the floor and painting the new woodwork.

The people of the congregation are strongly urged to participate more generally and enthusiastically in congregational singing. The new hymnal provided is one of the best ever published and entirely free from hymn tunes that are Jingles and hymns that border on the sentimental. The minister and organist take special care that no tune or hymn is used that is unworthy to be sung in praise of God. The singing ought to match the majestic and stirring character of the hymns chosen.

On Sunday the avecated

heart disease at the Copley-Plaza, in used as fast as they are finished. The Boston, Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Dickman, whose home has been re-tained in Petersham for the past ten years, was spending a few days at the

Copley-Plaza.
She was born at Groton Junction, now Ayer, on July 8, 1861, the daughter of John F. and Helen (Davis) Has-

abroad. She was an extensive traveler, for she spent a few years with her father in China while he was starting a manufacturing plant there. For several years Mrs. Dickman had been one of the board of directors of the Lowthorpe school in Groton.

Funcral services were held in Forest Hills chapel on Friday afternoon at two o'clock. Burial was in Dedham.

Union Fair Next Week. The officers and committees have been working hard to make this year's

of the committee in engaging talent of the committee in engaging talent of the committee in engaging talent costing much more than last year's burg, he said, while they should have talent cost. Judging from the flattering press notices which the Perey F. Baker Company have received in the various cities where they have burg yards will be practically done aloved one may expect a great treat played, one may expect a great treat on Friday evening of next week. Printed posters and art posters have been displayed in all the shop windows in town and will be displayed also in the surrounding towns, from

Well Presented.

with of volunteer live-fighters and the work of volunteer live-fighters and the fire department soon removed all damper to the buildings. Box 29 was installed not long ago and this was the first time it was used. The adarm worked perfectly.

Judge George A. Sanderson is presiding at the sessions for naturalization of citizens held in Fitchburg, beginning on Monday of this week.

"The flower of No-man's land," a Metro wonderplay of supreme beauty and worderful acts, featuring the exquisite title star, Viola Dana, is the healther at Saturday evening as well of the singling flow. Whis Dana have and the same from the four churches uniting flower of No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has late the conting simple child of the mining camp. But the little star's power of No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has every off No-man's land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has land." She has every off No-man's land. "She has land." She has every off

cellent music during the evening.

According to rumors, which appear to be well founded the east railroad yard in Fitchburg will be eliminated and all the work will be transferred to Ayer. This will mean that freight to Ayer. This will mean that freight trains from Boston to Greenfield, will trains from Boston to Greenheid, will be made up at Boston. Ayer and Greenfield rather than at the two terminals and at East Fitchburg, as is the arrangement at the present time, Another belief is that the East twelve.

A goodly number from the parish attended the union Thanksgiving service last Sunday evening in the Baptist church.

The parish is indebted to Edward Q. McCollester for repairs to one of the upper leaded glass windows and for putting a new covering on the central inner doors of the church proper.

Last Sunday saw the finish floor laid and the inner chancel railing erected. The carpenters are putting in the long outer railing this week. Other workand painting the new woodward is the arrangement at the present time, Another belief is that the East Fitchburg yard may be saved by the addition of several tracks on the end towards Leominster. Were additions made to these tracks the capacity would be considerably enlarged doing away with the necessity for any great amount of shifting at other points along the line.

Should the work now being done in the East Fitchburg yard may be saved by the addition of several tracks on the end towards Leominster. Were additions made to these tracks the capacity were being pertection in the field. They were being quoted at \$1.75 to \$2.60 per cwt. before the freeze, there being less than half a crop hereabouts. With Thanksgiving turkeys quoted at thirty-five cents a pound, dressed, and many other things in proportion, poor people are being perty badly hit in their pocketbooks.

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unworthy to be sung in praise of God Interest of the singing ought to match the majestic and stirring character of the hymns chosen.

On Sunday the preacher will emphasize the duty of confessing one's faith. He will show that the best way is not with one's mouth but in one's manner of life. Faith without works is dead, and works without faith are impossible.

with the Fitchburg yard and have all with the Fitchburg yard and have all its work done here. The plan was opposed by the directors of the road and all further discussions as to the change were dropped. One of the two yards is that it will be the means of saving much money for the company through the concentration of its work.

If the change is made from Fitchburg to Ayer it is very likely that the

Prof. W. E. Brown, of Flichburg, will open his dancing school season in the town hall on Monday evening. The ladies of the Federated church who are making aprons for the union fair are requested to leave them either with Mrs. Lillian Harlow or Mrs. Sargent on or before Saturday forenoon. December 2.

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The talk of moving the East Fitch-The talk of moving the East Fitch-burg yard work to Ayer has greatly stirred up the men who work in the former place, who threaten a strike if such a move is carried out. At a meet-ing of the local union of trainmen in Fitchburg Sunday a grievance commit-tee was chosen to confer with the Bos-ton and Maine railroad officials with a now Ayer, on July 8, 1861, the daughter of John F, and Helen (Davis) Haskins. Shortly after her birth her parents moved to Fitchburg, where the father was engaged in the manufacture of steam engines for some years. In 1877, her mother died, and Mr. Haskins, with his daughter and his son, the late Carroll D. Haskins, an official of the Central Electric Co... at Schnectady, N. Y., left for London, England, where they made their home for several years afterwards. It was in London, in 1884, that Miss Haskins met and married George Dickman of Brooklyn, N. Y., at that time European representative of the Todd & Baird Co., and afterwards of the Eastman Kodak Co. Her husband died about fifteen years ago. Since that time Mrs. Dickman has lived in Petersham and New York city, besides taking frequent trips abroad. She was an extensive traveler, for she spent a few years with her for the men would be obliged to live with their families in the few small whetels which method of living is not determined.

with their families in the few small hotels, which method of living is not to the liking of the home-loving Fitch-

what is considered as a strong indi-cation of the company's intent to move the yard work here is that nearly all the cabooses in the Fitchburg yard have been moved to Ayer.

Doubts that the trainmen who are Doubts that the trainmen who are affected by the moving of the yards to Ayer will strike were expressed by Frank W. Brown, trainmaster of the Fitchburg division. No report of any grievance committee appointed by the Fitchburg union affiliated with the Brotherhood of Railway Trainmen has been given him as yet he stated and

The officers and committees have have as they concern Ayer and the adjoining towns are very slight.

The next party in the whist tournament series will be held in Odd Fellows' hall on Thursday evening. December 7. Teams representing Robert Burns lodge, L. O. O. F., Capt. Geo. V. Barrett camp. S. of V., and Harbinary lodge, K. P., will compete for honors.

The air is full of rumors of a big raliroad boom during the past week. It is stated that the Boston and Mainer railroad intends to run a track from a point this side of Shirley station acress the "plains" to the south railroad yard to further expedite the business of the road. A rumored boom in land in the vicinity of Robbins' pond, which is not far from the yards, started from negotiations for the sale of land in that territory for a large girls' camp. The idea was finally given up. The football game scheduled for Thanksgiving day between the Ayer high school and alumni teams was abandoned because of the heavy rain.

Misses Fannie and Gertrude Sanderson.

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officials think it inadvisable to retain two vards within twelve miles of each other. Heretofore, cars which have been made up at East Decribel for Ayer have been set off at East Fitchburg, he said, while they should have

To the Editor:

Whatever the defects of this kaleidi have been displayed in all the shop windows in town and will be displayed salso in the surrounding towns, from which a generous patronage came last year.

Whatever the financial gain of the fair may be, the moral gain will be incalculable. Every corporate effort of christian people hastens the day when a better understanding and a more helpful fellowship will produce a unity of the spirit.

Whatever the defects of this kaleidiscopic civilization of the Spokane acountry, it certainly has plenty of sensitive reminds us that we are not breathing the air of staid New England. While knowledge of the crookedness of the vicious class is of little which is stations. Pach week brings to pass something in the criminal world that forcething the air of staid New England. While knowledge of the crookedness of the vicious class is of little which the reckless element will go, and the boldness displayed in executing their cunning plans

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1. Recently the gentleman who teaches A full house witnessed the presentation of the three-act comedy, "Clover Farm," by Ayer Grange on Monday and was on his way to Prosser in an automorphism in Page hall. The play like others staged by the organization, was given by local talent who did exceptitionally well in the parts assigned to them.

The remarkable feature was the beliefing to the remarkable feature was the beliefing as of an automater.

second beat him from behind with a club. Result, loss of gold watch, diamond ring and \$200 in cash. So instead of laying out another he was laid out himself. It is liable to develop that one of the perpetrators was a former chauffeur in his employ, who knew of the presence of money on the person of the undertaker, which was paid after banking hours.

The unexpected has happened, too, in the weather line. At the end of election week a cold wave floated in upon us, carrying the mercury down

upon us, carrying the mercury down close to zero, and freezing fruit on the close to zero, and freezing fruit of the inland Empire estimated to be worth \$1,500,600, not to mention the value of the "spuds" that careless farmers had left with light protection in the field. They were being quoted at \$1.75 to \$2,60 per cwt. before the freeze, there

Of course the fortunate wheat raiser who has been receiving better than \$1.50 the bushel can stand these prices, but they are in a decided minority. Likely the subject of politics has become pretty stale, but the results have non-plursed the wise-acres. That a state like Washington should give William the course 18 000 plurality elections. son electors 18,000 plurality, elect a democratic governor by 12,000, a democratic congressman by 3,000, and then elect U. S. Congressman Poindexter, republican, by 60,000 plurality seems strange. The inconsistency of the strange. The inconsistency of the electorate in California is almost as great. But this Pacific coast defler consistency in many other lines of action and is in a class by itself.

D. H. Felch. Cheney, Wash., November 20.

District Court.

he was sentenced to the house of cor-rection for one month. Leniency was shown Koski because he has eight young children to support, and the suspended sentence of three months was accordingly reduced to one month.

Concerning Measles. Owing to the prevalence of measles in town the board of health consider in town the board of health considers if of the utmost importance that the townspeople should be aware of the seriousness of the disease and should know what they should do to assist the board of health to combat it.

In spite of the popular belief to the contrary, measles is a serious disease not only in that it is highly communicable, but portfulerly because it may

leave serious after-effects such as a tendency to pneumonia or even tuber-culosis. In other words the idea that measles is a child's disease which events. ery child must have sooner or later, is not only wrong, but it is criminally

wrong.

The people of Ayer may assist in combating measles, first of all by calling in the family physician at once if any child has a running nose, watering eyes or slight cough. These are the first symptoms of measles, which the first symptoms of measles, which in this stage is highly communicable. These symptoms are those of what is called an "ordinary" cold, and are often mistaken for such by parents. If the family physician is consulted immediately on the appearance of these symptoms, he can so promptly treat the disease, if it be measles, that the possibility of vertous after-effects is possibility of scrious after-effects is greatly lessened. Also the case, in its most contageous stage will be reported at once to the board of health, and a prompt quarantine will lessen the possibility of further cases.

When quarantine is established such rules as are imposed must be strictly

rules as are imposed lived up to.
The board of health requests your co-operation in these two matters.

Board of Health.

At a regular meeting of Acton Lodge No. 203, I. O. O. F., held on November 13, 1916, the following preamble and resolutions were submitted and adop-

Whereas, it has pleased Almighty Whereas, it has pleased Almighty.
God to take from our number Brother
Augustus W. Wetherbee in him we
mourn the loss of a faithful worker
and devoted Brother.
Resolved, his influence was ennob-

ling and was exerted in a quiet, unas suming manner: in the community he was known by every one and respected for those sterling qualities, honesty, sincerity and reliability.

Resolved, that Acton Lodge extend our thanks to the friends who gave

him their care and sympathy, and to Robert Burns Lodge for their care, and to the Brothers who visited him and to the Brothers who visited him and gave him their sympathy and comfort during the long weeks of sickness and weariness. Resolved, that a copy of these reso-lutions be spread on our Lodge Rec-ords and also be printed in Turner's

Public Spirit, Ayer. Chas. S. Twitchell. Albert R. Beach, William S. Kelley, Committee.

Edward Hanrahan died on Tuesday Edward Hanfanan died on Tuesday morning at nine o'clock at Mrs. M. E. Cullen's boarding house in the Ameri-can House block, where he had made his home for five years. Death was caused by heart disease and dropsy, from which he had greatly suffered from which he had greatly suffered for a long time. During the past year his condition was such that he worked but a small part of the time at his regular employment as assistant sec-tion foreman under George Ludding-ton on the local Worcester, Nashua and Portland division section. In Sepand Portland division section. In September he was given easier employment as a crossing gateman in Pepperell, where illness compelled him to give up work after two week't time. Since that he had been continually confined to his room until his death.

Mr. Hanrahan was born in Killness teachers.

Mr. Hanrahan was born in Kilkenny, Ireland, fifty-six years ago. He came to this country when eleven years of age, and for the past thirteen years has been a resident of Ayer, being employed ducing that time-as a railroad section hand. So far as is known he had no near relatives living.

The funeral took place on Wednesday morning with a high mass of requirem at St. Mary's church, said by Rev. F. H. Houston at nine o'clock. The bearers were Michael Scullane, Peter O'Malley and Patrick Kilcoyne, fellow employees of the deceased, and

fellow employees of the deceased, and Henry P. Mead, of Harvard. The inerment took place in St. Mary's cemetery.

Christian Science Society of Ayer.

Service every Sunday morning in G. A. R. hall at 10.30. Subject for Sunday, December 3, "God the only cause and creator." Wednesday evening meeting, December 6, at 7.30. All are cordially invited.

SHIRLEY

News Items Mr. and Mrs. Luther Holden enter-tained on Thanksgiving day a large gathering, including Mr. and Mrs. Edward Thompson and family. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Burrage spent the holiday with relatives in Leomin-

ster. Mr. and Mrs. Mills spent the holida with friends in Leominster.

The following guests were enter-tained at the home of William A. Dadmun on Thanksgiving day: Mr. and Mrs. Lafayette Dadmun, parents of Mr. Dadmun; his brothers, Archie and Frank, of Sudbury, and his son. Herbert; Miss Helen Balch, of Leom-inster, and Master Vernon Russell, of Newton Center. Miss Esther Amsden spent the holi-days at her home in Mason, N. H.

The Altrurian club will hold thei The Altrurian club will not their regular meeting on next Thursday afternoon at three o'clock in the Congregational church vestry, when reciprocity day will be observed. The president, with two members, have been invited from the Woman's clubs in Fitchburg, Leominster, Ayer, Gro

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Wheeler enter-tained Mr. and Mrs. George Balch and Eddle Young of Westminster on Thanksgiving day. Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge will nominate officers at their regular meeting on next week Friday evening. and there will also be an entertain ment. A large attendance of mem bers is desired.

Twenty-five members of Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., paid a visit Tuesday evening to North Star lodge of Townsend, making the trip by auto truck, and report a fine time.

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spent Thanksgiving day with relative in Cambridge. Ralph S. Wheeler, tax collector, attended the meeting of tax collectors held at the Quincy House, Boston, on Tuesday.

Miss Mabel Misner, of Keene, N. H., spent Thanksgiving day at her home in town.

Twenty-nine pictures of the Lan-caster pageant in 1912 are on exhibi-tion at the public library for one month. The welcome to Lafayette is also included in the number and are certainly very interesting. The residents should make an effort to view them during the next three weeks.

Mr. and Mrs. George Pomfret and family of Waverley, and Mr. and Mrs. John Pomfret, of Hudson, spent Thanksgiving day with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pomfret.

Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., held its regular meeting Tuesday evening with Mrs. Ella Lawrence. Invitations were read from the Fitchburg chapwere read from the Fitchburg chap-ter to a military whist party to be held on Friday evening; also, to a re-ception to be held Saturday after-noon, at which Mrs. Ellison, state re-gent, will be the guest of honor. Mrs. Lavonne Edgarton read extracts from a letter written by William D. Howell at the time he was living at the Hollt the time he was living at the lay House. It was a very fine tribute of the Shirley Shakers and the people to the Shirley Shakers and the people he referred to were well-known by several who were present. Refreshments were served by the hostess, assisted by her sister, Mrs. Annie Cram, and Miss Arline Wilbur. The next meeting will be with Mrs. Anna Cram. At this meeting each member will be asked to read a Christmas quotation or poem and bring a gift, the value not to be over twenty-five cents.

Ex-Gov. David I. Walsh, of Fitchburg, will give an address in Odd Fellows' hall on Thursday evening, December 7, at eight o'clock. His subject will be "The Philippines and customer and the control of the Philippines and customer and the customer and the control of th cember 7, at eight o'clock. His subject will be "The Philippines and customs of the people," taken from personal experience, as he has traveled extensively through the Philippines, and he will also touch on the "yellow peril." The above address will be given under the auspices of the Shirley Hospital Board. There will also be vocal selections by LeRoy Lyon, of Leominster, and Miss Myrtle Homes, of Medford, with plano accompaniment and also selections by Miss Gifele Ragaime, of Shirley, The above entertainment is for the benefit of all Shirley residents and without doubt no organization in town has accomplished more for all the townspeople than the Shirley Hospital Board. All those attending are requested to bring a gift for the hospital—a jar of jelly, a can of fruit, a turnip or squash, an apple or potato, roll of linen, cake of soap, or anything useful. It is hoped that every adult in town will buy a ticket and assist this worthy cause.

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News Items.

Harvard people will be both interested and grieved to learn of the death of Capt. Alexander C. Dennison, one of the best known mariners of the Atof the best known mariners of the Atlantic coast and for several years a
resident of this town, where he won a
host of friends by his genial and
whole-hearted nature. His death occurred at Portland, Me. after a long
illness. He was 52 years of age. He
had been commander of the Governor
Dingley and other boats of the Eastern
Steamship corporation. He was in
command of the Bay State on the
night of November 26, 1898, when the
ill-fated steamer Portland put out of
Boston on her last voyage. Contrary
to the judgment of Capt. Blanchard of
of the Portland, he decided not to put
out and probably saved the steamer,
which this fall was wrecked off Capt
Elizabeth. He is survived by a widow.
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Next Tuesday evening will be reg-ular Grange meeting. Subject to be Painters are at work on the wood work outside of the library building.

A reunion of the Webster children took place at Springfield on Thanks-giving day. Cedric Webster from Am-herst. Misses Osee and Luana Web-ster from here and Misses Orressa and Christine of Springfield were present.

In connection with the Federated church fair play, given last week, the name of Rev. H. C. Merrill, who on his first appearance with the town cast as the doctor in "Kentucky belle," gave a good account of himself, playing his part with genuine sincerity,

There is to be a special town meeting on Saturday at eight o'clock. The purpose to be to raise the sum of \$300 to be used by the school committee to defray the expenses of the current week.

Fred Paige and Willard Bagster left Saturday last for Montreal, Canada, where they have secured work in the shoe shops. They expect to stay until strains.

The new income tax law will be the The new income tax law will be the special topic for consideration before the Men's club at its monthly meeting on January 6. An able speaker from the tax commissioner's department will be present to explain the law, and the meeting will be thrown open generally to the men and women of the town who may be interested.

A new play is in rehearsal for the Woman's club, entitled "A rose of Plymouth town." It will be given at the town hall in January.

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Littleton, West Boylston and Harvard.
The wedding march was played by Miss F. Luanna Webster, planist, accompanied by Miss Grace Morse, violation of the west of the distribution of the west of the distribution of the west of the distribution of the west of t a beautiful evergreen arch, the double ring service being read by Rev. Henry B. Mason. Miss Pauline B. Taft, of Wakefield, cousin of the bride, was maid of honor, and Alston Keyes, a brother of the groom, was best man. The bride was gowned in white crepe de chine, trimmed with old lace that once graced her mother's wedding dress, and she carried a bouquet of roses. She was given away by Harold A. Tooker, her eldest brother. Reuben A. Reed and Fred Wrangham were the ushers.

Many heautiful gifts were evidence ments of cake, cookies, coffee and of the large place these young people sandwiches were served and all enjoy-hold in the hearts of their friends. That they are not to be lost to Harvard, but will continue to reside among with the reside among personal training to the reside among ple's course of entertainments will be acquaintances, and perhaps especially in the upper town hall on Monday evento fellow members of the Grange, of ning, December 4—Catherine Kennedy, which Mr. Keves has been master during. ing the past two years.

A very pretty wedding ceremony took place at the Congregational par-sonage on Friday evening, November 24. Rev. H. B. Mason united in mar-riage Charles Eugene Sammorian and Eva Vianna Eagles. The double ring service was used. The bride was attired in a navy blue and silver gray suit. Only the immediate family of the bride with Mr. and Mrs. J. E. Maynard, Mrs. Mary A. Maynard and Miss Clara Hapgood were present at the ceremony. After the wedding the party went directly to the new home of Mr. and Mrs. Sammorian on Oak hill, where the wedding breakfast was served. This newly wedded young couple are both of this town, the bride graduating last June from Bromfield Eva Vianna Eagles. The double ring service was used. The bride was atgraduating last June from Bromfield school. Mr. Sammorian is engaged as farm manager on the Harry W. Crook-er estate, where they will reside. Both young people are very popular with the people here and both are active in the Grange and in the Congregational church parish.

H. W. C.

On Saturday, October 21, the Harvard Woman's club exchange and tea room, which was opened the middle of last May, and which is now well known in this and surrounding towns, closed for the season, and on Saturday, Notation 25, the club held a receivifor the season, and on Saturday, Nowith the control of the character of the chilmeeting to receive the reports of the
committees. The chalman of the general committee, Mrs. J. Edward Maynard, gave a clear, concise and comN. H.

prehensive report of the work of organizing and conducting this branch of the club's activities and of the reof the club's activities and of the results achieved. Her report was followed by those of the secretary and treasurer of the general committee, by those of the chairmen of the sub-committee, and by that of the tea-room manager, Miss Grace Wilhard. These reports gave a good idea of what has been accomplished during the summer. been accomplished during the summer. On sale in the exchange have been various kinds of handwork, including embroidery, lace work, basketry, weaving and hand colored photographs, a line of antiques, home cooked foods

ing and hand colored photographs, a line of antiques, home cooked foods and canned products, as well as fresh fruits and vegetables in their season. There have been one hundred and thirteen consignors, the greater number of these being club members, with some non-members resident in town and twenty-one from other towns.

The guest book shows registries

The guest book shows registries The guest book shows registries from many states, including the four corners of the union, Maine, Florida, California and Alaska, with the four foreign countries of Switzerland, Germany, France and England. Honolulu was also represented. It is gratifying to note that each month showed a marked increase over the preceding. a marked increase over the preceding month in the number of guests and the amount of the sales in both the exchange and tea room.

At first the rooms were open only in the afternoons, but a demand for noon bushes band, to an earlier anniver.

ster from here and Misses Orressa and Christine of Springfield were present.

The Dickson annual feast and family gathering met at the home of W. F. Dickson on Thursday and enjoyed a regular New England spread with turkey, and all the accessories. Those present were Mr. and Mrs. Philip O. Dickson am! son Henry, Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dickson and family, Mrs. C. Atherine Dickson and son Henry, Mr. and Mrs. W. Bigelow and family, Mrs. C. Atherine Dickson. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Dickson of Fitchburg.

Thankskriving day brought home the school girls—Miss Harriet Mason from Wheaton with Rev. and Mrs. H. B. Mason, Miss Rolena Campbell with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Campbell from Fitchburg normal, Miss Dorothy West from Framingham normal with Mr. and Mrs. A. T. West, who also entertained Mr. and Mrs. K. P. Fletcher of Groton.

In generating the attention on the attentions the attentions the attention which was continued the rest of the season. In spite of many obstacles and unexpected expenses the experiance than fulfilled the hopes of its promoters, so that they are already planning to open again another year, with the possibility of opening in a short time for the holiday trade.

Too great credit cannot be given the committees and tea-room manager, with the general committee having been on duty one day a week during the entire season, while the tra-room manager. Wiss Grace Willard, has been on duty daily: the only paid service has been that of her assistant.

LUNENBURG

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News Items. Rev. John Campbell, of Boston, creached his second sermon at the congregational church last Sunday morning to an audience as much inter ested and delighted as on his first apested and delighted as on his first ap-pearance here. In the evening he spoke before the union meeting of the Epworth league and the C. E. societies upon "The grace of gratitude," and all were very much pleased with him. The only tegret among the people here seems to be that he is not a candidate.

At the union service on last Sunday At the union service on last Sunday evening a very interesting feature of the program was an informal talk by James L. Harrington in which he gave his impressions of Billy Sunday and the great tabernacle where he attended the meeting for men on last week Thursday. He was very enthusiastic in his words of commendation, methods in use, manner of delivery, etc., and finished his talk by earnestly advising everyone to go and hear Billy Sunday once at least. Quite a number of our citizens intend taking advantage of the excursion on Saturday and attend the meetings in Boston at the great tabernacle. the great tabernacle

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Weddings.

Mildred Elizabeth Tooker and Benjamin Sawyer Keyes, two well-known and popular young people of this town, were united in marriage last Saturday afternoon at the home of the bride in the presence of a large company of relatives and friends from Wakefield, Boston, Hudson, Pepperell. Littleton, West Boylston and Harvard. The wedding march was played by Miss F. Luanna Weisster, pjanist, ac-The Epworth leagues of Fitchburg,

isist in celebrating her birthday. A sig After a reception which followed the net ring and a sum of money were the ceremony, refreshments were served, gifts the friends bestowed, in order Most of the guests lingered until after that she might not forget when the the departure of the bridal couple, isame anniversary came again, and they which took place amidst a storm of were presented by Miss Mabelle Cooke confetti.

Mr. and Mrs. William F. Hills have taken rooms in Fitchburg for the winter, as it is much more convenient for Mr. Hills' work. They have closed their home on Flat hill and are located

at 53 Pacific street, Fitchburg. Warren Lewis & Company are build-ing an addition, 20x20 feet, at the rear of their storehouse, which with other changes will make much more con-venient housing for their auto truck.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items. On Sunday, November 26, a son was born to Mr. and Mrs. John Lilyberg. On last week Friday the schools closed for the annual Thanksgiving week vacation. On last week Thurs-day afternoon the children held exerday afternoon the children held exercises in honor of the day. On the foliowing afternoon the children of the Milford street primary school, escorted by their teacher, Mrs. Davis, went to the home of George Nye, where they repeated their exercises consisting of songs, recitations and short sketches for the benefit of William French, who makes his home with Mr. Nye and is a bed-ridden invalid. Besides entertaining Mr. French they brought him fruit and candy. Mr. French was very much pleased and made happy by this kind and thoughtful act of the children and their teacher.

Charles Russell spent last Friday in members of the commission feel that the number already recorded is substantially correct. The record as substantially correct. The record as follows: Monday, 191 bucks, 88 does; Tuesday, 106 bucks, 70 does; Wednesday, 93 bucks, 43 does; Friday, 50 bucks, 43 does; Saturday, 31 bucks, 14. does.

F. Lee Sheppy, 8th floor—243 W. 17th St., New York City, General Sales Manager of the largest concern of its Mind in the world, wants three or four men in Middlesex County and several men in adjoining counties, to work for him spare time or all the time.

Miss Grace Whitcomb left last week Friday for Methuen, Mass., where she is visiting at the home of Mrs. John

men who were to have taken part de-clined to do so for various reasons and their places were filled with some who were not members. Nevertheless, the affair was a great success and was largely attended, guests being present from Townsend, Hollis, Milford and Mason. 'At the close of the entertainment develope were entered until twelve ment dancing was enjoyed until twelv o'clock.

Mrs. Sarah Coburn, accompanied by Archie Bartlett, was a visitor in Mil-ford on last Saturday.

The "Sunbonnets" drove to the home The "Sundonnets arove to the nome of a fellow member, Mrs. Clara Russell, on last week Friday morning, where they spent the day, returning late in the afternoon. Mrs. George Dodge, of Groton, was the only out-of-town guest. At noon they were invited into the dining-room, where they enjoyed a dinner served with the usual enjoyed a dinner served with the usua enjoyed a dimer served with the usual good grace and taste of the hostess. The afternoon passed all too quickly, and readings, given by Mrs. Bertha Brown and Blanche Hall added to the pleasure of the occasion.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

Hazel Bell is at home from colleg-over the holidays.

Nelson Parkhurst was called to Fal-Nelson Farkhurst was cancel to rap-mouth, Mass., last Saturday night by a telegram from his aunt. He had in-tended going there to spend Thanksgiving.

The first and second degrees will be worked at the meeting of the Grangon Tuesday evening.

Miss Winnie Parker, who has been all for nearly two mouths, is able to tttend school again. Miss Hazel Lovejoy is quite ill with bronchial pneumonia. At last reports she was a little better.

BOXBOROUGH

News Items.

On Tuesday evening, November 21, at seven o'clock, at the home of Mr. and Mrs. B. O. Hager, Clinton, Miss and Mrs. B. O. Hager, Uniton, Miss Annice Lane Treadwell and John Stanley Duckers, of New York city, were united in marriage by Rev. G. M. Missirian, pastor of the Congregational church in Boxborough. The home was decorated with laurel and pink and white pompom chrysanthenams. Following the corrective assumer. white pompor enrysantnenums. Following the ceremony a supper was served, after which Mr. and Mrs, Duckers left for New York city, where they will make their future home. Mrs. Duckers is an intimate friend of Mrs. Hager and has made many friends in Boyborough during her visits at the Hager homestead. it the Hager homestead.

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Frank Dodge, town clerk, attended the medting of the town clerks of the towns of Maynard, Hudson. Stow and Boxborough held at Hudson town hall on last week Friday, where the vote cast for representative to the general court in this district was canvassed. Following the meeting the town clerks were the guests of the representative-elect. Rowland P. Harriman, at a dinner served at the Hudson House. ner served at the Hudson House.

The Camp-fire Girls met at the home of Lucy and Ina Wetherbee last Saturday afternoon.

The school committee consider the school committee consider themselves fortunate in securing the services of Mrs. Mary Burroughs to take the position as teacher of No. 4

a relative in Belmont last week Thursday.

Andrew Walker has gone to Spencer o spend Thanksgiving with his sister, John Coffey is adding to the appearance of his house and gaining considerable room by putting in large dormer windows. John Hoar, of Acton, is doing the work.

Mrs. Loring and Miss Hager remained in town to eat Thanksgiving dinner with the Philbricks. They will close Marigold cottage for the winter and take a vacation among their city

Charles Knight went to Worcester on Monday to bring his wife home for the holiday, which they spent with their son's family.

Miss Cutler, of Newton, teacher of No. 2 school, will not return after the holidays.

Only 832 Deer Killed.

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Only 832 deer were killed in Massachusetts during the open season just ended: according to the returns received by the State Commission on Fisheries and Game. Last year 1105 were slain in the corresponding period. Of the number killed this year 535 of the animals were bucks and the remainder does. Because some of the hunters have failed to file the result of their kills with the state authorities the records are not yet complete, although members of the commission feel that the number already recorded is substantially correct. The record by days for the week's open season is as follows: Monday, 191 bucks, 38 does; Tuesday, 106 bucks, 70 does; Wednesday, 93 bucks, 48 does; Thursday, 64 bucks, 34 does; Friday, 50 bucks, 43 does; Saturday, 31 bucks, 14 does;

Last week Wednesday evening was deputy might at the Brookline Grange and Deputy Isaac N. Center, of Litchfield, was present to review the work and give instructions. Mrs. Clarence Russell, as master-elect for 1917, was chosen as a delegate to attend the State Grange when it meets in Manchester in December. The program for the evening consisted of a cornet solo, Harlan Whitcomb; piano duet, Grace and Alice Whitcomb; readings, Mrs. Clara Russell and Blanche Hall, Mrs. Ada Davis is spending her Thanksgiving vacation at her home in Revere, Mass.

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The Loyal Workers were entertained at the parsonage on the afternoon of November 22.

There were so many men not members of the Grange who took part in the public entertainment on last week Friday evening that it could hardly be termed a Grange affair. Almost at the last moment some of the young men who were to have taken part defined a good money, working of you in each direction. This is a splendid opportunity for several men in Middlesex County and countles and joining to make good money, working steady or spare time. Some of the field men earn \$300.00 per month; one former earned \$1,000.00 working spare farmer earned \$1,000.00 working spare No investment or

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C. B. WILLARD, Cashier. Subscribed and sworn to before methis 24th day of November, 1916, T. James Harvey, Notary Public.

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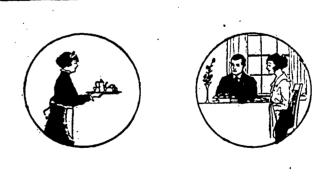
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Middlesex, praying for the appointment
of himself, or some other suitable person, as guardian.
You are hereby cited to appear at a
Probate Court to be held at Cambridge,
in said County of Middlesex, on the
fifth day of December A. D. 1916, at
nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show
cause, if any you have, why a guardian
should not be appointed.
And said petitioner is hereby directed
to give public notice thereof, to the
next of kin of said minor, and others
interested, by publishing this citation
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newspaper published in Ayer, the last
publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire.
First Judge of said Court, this fourteenth day of November in the year one
thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

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Rev. and Mrs. Waldo S. Burgess and little daughter Barbara, from Albuquerque, New Mexico, are enjoying a several-weeks' visit with Mr. Burgess' parents, Mr. and Mrs. B. D. Burgess. Milton W. Wilder, from Bates col-ege, is enjoying his Thanksgiving vaition with his parents, Mr. and Mr. Walter Wilder.

Mrs. Amy Lane Powell, who has been the guest of her aunt, Mrs. S. S. Haynes, has gone to New Haven, Conn., to visit her brother before re-turning to her home in Saginaw, Mich.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Finnegan and laughter Rosalle, from Milton, N. H., spent over Sunday and the first of the week with Mr. and Mrs. John D. Fin-

Francis Struthers, of Durham col-lege, N. H. is spending his holiday week vacation with his parents, Rey, and Mrs. A. L. Struthers.

At the Congregational church Sunday morning Rev. A. L. Struthers' sermon subject will be "The coming of the Son of Man;" In the evening there will be a union service in the Congregational church, "The relation of the school to character building." Supt. Herman C. Knight and Principal C. J. Rose will speak. There will also be special music by the choir.

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Among those attending the Billy Sunday meetings in Boston this past week were Everett W. Bruce, George L. Whitcomb, C. W. Hildreth, Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Wilder! Mrs. A. L. Struthers, Miss Charlotte Struthers, Miss Gerirude Higgins and Francis Struthers.

The Townsend Monday club were pleasantly entertained on Monday af-ternoon at the home of Mrs. Mary Nor-rls. Mrs. Lewis Blanchard, of Greenville, N. H., a former club member was the speaker of the afternoon, giv-ing a fine talk on "Women and inspiraing a nne taik on women and inspira-tion," giving brief sketches of women prominent in anti-slavery times in Red Cross work and in the philan-thropic and literary world of the past and of the present time. Appropriate readings in connection with the sub-ject were read by Miss Alberta D. Barber and Mrs. Eunice Bruce. A social hour was enjoyed with the serving of refreshments by the hostess.

The Christmas meeting of the Birth-day club will be held on Friday afternoon, December 8, at the home of Mrs. George Gates. Mrs. Gates. Mrs. T. E. Ffarity and Mrs. George Hay-ward, hostesses. An interesting Christ-mas program will be given. Members are requested to bring a ten-cent gift. Mr. and Mrs. H. B. Hildreth and Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hildreth were the Thanksgiving day guests of Mr. and Mrs. Ralph O. Reed in Manchester,

N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Irving A. Seaver entertained a gathering of sixteen relatives and friends at the Seaver homestead. South row. Thanksgiving, including Mr. and Mrs. William McRobble, of Wellestey Hills. Mr. McRobble is a teacher in the Boston Mechanic Arts school.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank A. Woods spent Thanksgiving with Mr. Woods par-ents in Brooklield.

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The Grange held a meeting of unusual interest on Monday evening, it being "potato night," when the winner in the potato planting contest, Mrs. Frank A. Woods, received first prize, and told in a very interesting way how she obtained her result, her plan from the beginning when she received her three potatoes from the Grange last spring "until the digging time," when the "patch" yielded her twenty-eight pounds of good size and good quality

pounds of good size and good potatoes. Balph Piper was the judge of the potato exhibit.

A very interesting paper on the introduction of the potato into this country and potato recipes was given by Mrs. Winnifred Farrar; also, a paper on the origin of the potato. A first and second potato race, carrying potations on spoons was indulged in for interiment. Galen Proctor winning in the first, and Albert Cowland in the first, and Albert Cowland in the second race. Seven Grangers participated in a potato paring contest in which Mrs. George A. French won out, the swiftness of the parer and the weight of the parings counting in the first, and albert Cowland in the first, and Albert Cowland in the patch in a potato paring contest in which Mrs. George A. French won out, the swiftness of the parer and the weight of the parings counting in the formerly of Nashua, N. H., later of Greenfield, and note recently of Saskatchewan, Canada. Rev. William Weston, of Marlboro, N. H., an old Weston, of Marlboro, N. H., and old Weston, of Marlboro, M. M. M. H., and old W

A unique lunch of potato chips in paper napkin folder was served with "Adam's ale" with the proverbial "Stick in it" (toothpick) in paper drinking cups. The success of the evening's program was due to the efforts of Mrs. Edna Bray, G. L. Whitcomb and Miss Amy Whitcomb.

Frank A. Woods, master, and his wife were chosen delegates to the State Grange meeting to be held in Boston on December 12, 13 and 14. The lecturer, Miss May Parker, was also cho-A unique lunch of potato chips in

turer, Miss May Parker, was also che turer, Miss May Parker, was also chosen as a delegate to 'represent this Grange at the meeting and at the State lecturers' conference. The next local Grange meeting will be held in Odd Fellows' hall on Monday evening, December 11—the golden jubilee observance of the fiftieth anniversary of the Grange. The Grangers throughout the Grange. The Grangers throughout the state are planning a great observance of the occasion, as its organizer "Father Kelley." was born in Massa chusetts. T. E. Flarity, past master will give an address on the history o the Grange, the seven founders of the order. Albert G. Seaver will have charge of the musical program and ar excellent program is being planned by the committee in charge.

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Mrs. Grace Dunkerson Colby, wife of Liewellyn Colby, of Josselynville, aged twenty years, passed away at the Burbank hospital, Fitchburg, on last week Thursday. She leaves a husband and a little son about four year.

count of the severe rain storm, and this week the service was held on Friday evening on account of Thanksgiving.

and George Jones, 30. Cards were

ing.

The postponed meeting of the Ladles' Study club was held on last week Friday evening at the reading-room with eleven members and one guest present, with a very enjoyable program being presented. After roll call Mrs. George Adams and Mrs. Boynton gave very interesting articles on "Our national parks," with many beautiful pictures from the Yellowstone Park, Yosemite Valley, Colorado Canon and other beautiful parks. The next meetother beautiful parks. The next meet. ing will be in enarge of Miss Alice

Everett W. Seaver, of the Center, spent Sunday with his brother, George A. Seaver.

Carl Willard and his mother, Mrs M. L. Willard, spent Sunday with friends in Fitchburg.

Mrs. Alexander Roed, assistant cus-todian, was in charge at the reading-room on last Saturday. Amos Jodery has closed his home amos Jonery has closed his nome on Bridge street and moved to the Frank Hamilton tarm on Stevens' hill for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Hamilton have returned to Webster, where they will be employed in a shoe manufactory for the remainder of the sea-

The schools closed Wednesday noon to reopen on Monday, the teachers spending Thanksgiving at their homes, Vera Brown in Prescott, and diss Hill in Stockholm, N. Y.

Several of her friends and neighbors attended the funeral of Mrs. Llewellyn Colby in Ashby on Sunday.

The Ladies' Literary and Social circle will meet on Friday afternoon, December 8, with Mrs. Josephine Boynton for their regular fortnightly meeting, and the topic of the afternoon will be "New York city."

Mrs. M. L. Willard and son Carl spent Thanksgiving with relatives in Dorchester, where Mrs. Willard will spend a part of the winter. Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Manchester are visiting John Manchester and family in Franklin, N. H.

Miss Emma H. Adams has returned from a several-weeks' visit with her sister in Providence, R. I.

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Word has been received here that George N. Hayward, of Buffalo, N. Y., son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hayward, of Bayberry hill, who has held the position of teller at the Central National bank of Buffalo for the past year, has been appointed by the acting comproller of the United States to the New York office of the chief national bank was miner. commencing the received view. examiner, commencing his new duties on December 1. His many friends here are pleased to learn of his de-served advance merit in the business world.

Joseph LeClair has given up his position at the Belgrade rug factory. Mr. and Mis. Fred A. Patch are spent the holiday and the latter part of the week at the home of their son in Boston.

Rev. and Mrs. Joseph MacKean are spending the week with Mrs. Mac-Kean's relatives in Winchendon.

Mr. and Mrs. W. T. Cook spent the oliday with their son in Springfield. Mr. and Mrs. George Upton are pending a few days with relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Clarence L. Webster has exchange

Damon & Richardson's mill closed on Wednesday night until Monday morning for necessary repairs upor

the machinery.

Forest Aker has entered the employ of Damon & Richardson.

katchewan, Canada. Rev. William Weston, of Marlboro, N. H., an old friend of the family, was the officiat-

ing elergyman, assisted by Rev. O. M. Lord, the local pastor.

Just before noon, John Hopkins, violinist, accompanied by the piano, becan the familiar strains of "Ohpromise me," and the twenty-six guests gathered to await the bridal party in the parlor which was beautifully decorated with laurel and yellow chrysanthemums. The party entered to the strains of the Lohengrin wedding march, the double ring servwedding march, the double ring servwedning march, the double ring service being used, and the bride was given away by her father. She wore ream satin with pearl and lace garniure and a wedding veil, and carried a louquet of white roses and was accomanied by the matron of honor. Mrs.

panied by the matron of nonor, airs. Albert Howard, of Lowell, who was attired in turquoise blue silk, a picture hat of black velvet and carried a bouquet of pink roses. The groom was accompanied by Leroy Hopkins, of Fitchburg, the best man.

The ceremony was followed by a four-course luncheon, after which the happy couple left for a two-weeks trip to New York and other places of interest, and upon their return will make their home for the winter at the residence of the bride's parents.

The wedding gifts were numerous, including china, glass, linen, silver and money, and indicated the esteem in which the young couple are held by their many friends.

Harbor.

Miss Florence Sullivan, who has been a guest at Riverview cottage for several weeks, returned to her home in Worcester on Wednesday.

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followed by pleasing selections on the new Edison diamond disc phonograph, and the serving of refreshments

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The Monday afternoon whist club was delightfully entertained this week at the home of Mrs. Michael Keefe. Mrs. Dorothy Keefe, Mrs. Charles Jonselyn and Mrs. Hudson Bray were guests. Mrs. Minnie Knight was the winner of the first prize and Mrs. Clarence Josselyn the second. Other pleasing features of the nituation was ing features of the afternoon were readings by Mrs. Charles Noves and some fine selections on the Victrola. Later, ice cream and cake were served. Plenty of hunters during lest week, but a scarcity of deer.

SHIRLEY

News Items. Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman entertained her sister, Miss Mary Cushing Smith, of Flichburg, and Miss Justine Hol-land, of Worcester, Thanksgiving day,

The Ladies' Aid society of the Bap-tist church will hold a sale and entertist church will hold a sale and enter-tainment in the vestry on Fraday, De-cember 9.. A baked bean supper will be served from 6.30 to 8 o'clock. En-tertainment at eight o'clock. Sale will open at four o'clock, and a good as-sortment of useful and fancy articles will be found on the tables at prices that will attract attention. that will attract attention.

Mrs. C. R. White holds her dancing class session in Odd Fellows' hall on this week Saturday afternoon at one

Fred D. Weeks is out with a new Packard touring car.

Turkeys were given by the President Suspender Company to their employees Thanksgiving. The high price of turkeys made the gift doubly apprecia-tive, as a goodly number of employees had planned not to buy turkeys this year, owing to the almost prohibitive price of the same.

Mrs. Julia F. Kilburn and daughter, Miss Grace M. Kilburn and Frank W. Snell spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. Herbert D. Allen in Brookline.

The motion picture on Monday evening will be for the benefit of Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., the special attraction being "Her great price," featuring the star, Mabel Taliaferro. It will be given under the direction of Manager Poulius and will be intensely interesting. Go early and secure your interesting. Go early and secure your Mr. and Mrs. Francis E. Park, spent

Thanksgiving with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. William Adriance, in Winchester.

Mrs. Abbie Longley and family spent Thanksgiving with her sister, Miss Mary A. Park, Center road. Mrs. John Donovan of Chapel street s confined to her home with sickness Mr. and Mrs. George W. Balch, in company with Mrs. Ralph S. Wheeler, went to Boston last Saturday to at-end the Billy Sunday meetings.

Mrs. Charles Tremblay, who has been sick with pneumonia, is improv-

Rodney Brown, of Leominster, spent last Sunday at his home in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Boucher, of Woonsocket, R. I., are visiting friends

Charles R. White attended the Harvard-Yale football game in New Haven last Saturday. The manual training pupils of the

The manual training papers of the shirley grammar school have placed signs on Lancaster road warning automobiles to obey the traffic laws at cross-roads and approaches to the grammar school building. Edward Lilly, of Holy Cross college, pent Thanksgiving at his home in

Charles Maylin, about twenty year: of age, met with a serious accident the first of the week at Fred D. Weeks' mill on Leominster road, where he is employed. It appears that he was just employed. It appears that he was just playing and enjoying a little fun, and in jumping over an extractor which runs about 5000 revolutions a minute, he lost his balance and fell inside the machine, sustaining a compound fracture and dislocation of the left knew with severe lacerations, and was later amoved to the Clinton assistat. Fred removed to the Clinton aospital. . Fred

D. Weeks, the proprietor of the mill, in company with a coctor, rushed young Maylin to the hospital in his car, where he was operated upon by Drs. Goodwin and Chase of Clinton. The injury is a serious one and the cal, the physicians hoping for the best. Charles Mayin is a single man and resides with his parents on Benjamin

Solomon Koski was arraigned in the district court in Ayer Monday morn-ing, charged with drunk-nness and being a wife-beater. He was found guilty and given a sentence of three months and given a sentence of three montas in jail. Owing to the fact that Koski has a large family the sentence was suspended for three months and he was placed in charge of Probation Officer Mullin during that time. Koski was arrested last Sun ay by Chief. was arrested last San ay by Chief Riley, and for some time past has caused the police consid rable trouble. Judge Atwood scored koski severely, as Koski's wife is at the present time in a delicate condition, and to make matters worse she has been compelled to work. The evidence brought to to work. The evidence brought to light many inhuman and disgraceful acts of Koski toward his wife, which has caused a wave of indignation throughout the town. Koski resides with his wife and seven children at Slab City, so-called, and is employed by Fred D. Weeks.

Harry Annis was tendered a surprise party at his home on Center road on Tuesday evening by a number of his friends. The motive that prompted the party was the fact that Harry reached his seventeenth anni-versary of his birth. The party inversary of his birth. The party invaded the house unannounced and found Harry quite unprepared to entertain, which proved a real pleasure to the guests of the evening to discover that the affair had been carried out as planned. Their host quickly recovered from the shock and in short or the food which was soon in over-

Walker home on Thanksgiving day At the close of the dinner hour Mr. Staley entertained with readings, etc. Mr. and Mrs. David Lindenburg, of

Lancaster road, entertained their son and family, Mr. and Mrs. Dana B. Somes and family, of Boston; also, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H. Allen, Thanksgiv ing day.

ing day.

Miss Rose Boucher, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boucher, was united in marriage on Monday morning at seven—o'clock to Arthur Bonin, of Leominster, the ccremony taking place in St. Anthony's church, Rev. Rosario Richard officiating. The bride was attended by Miss Bessic LePage, and Mr. Bishop, of Leominster, was best man. Immediately following the ceremony a reception was held at the home of the bride on Shaker road. At the close of a brief honeymoon the newly-weds will reside for a time at the home of the bride's parents. Miss Boucher has been employed at the the nome of the origes parents. Miss Bourcher has been employed at the Samson Cordage Works and her associates at the works presented her on last week Friday with a silver tealest, and in the evening almost a score of her young lady friends tendered her a shower at her home, which proved to he a gentling superior. Games a work be a genuine surprise. Games wer-played and refreshments served. Mis Boucher was the recipient of many Boucher was the recipient of many beautiful gifts. The groom is employ-as a carriage-maker in Leominster.

Rev. George D. Kirkpatrick, of Cambridge, a student at the Theologi-cal school, Cambridge, will preach at the morning service in the Congrega-tional church on Sunday. He comes highly recommended by Rev. H. A. Bridgman and besides having experience as a missionary in China, has other qualifications essential for a successful pastor. A good attendance is requested, as Mr. Kirkpatrick is a can-didate.

Misses Annie and Nina Holbrook spent the week-end and over Sunday with relatives in Framingham. Miss Ruth Smalley, of Revere, is suest of Miss Sarah S. Stevenson.

A large audience was present at the union Thanksgiving service at the Universalist church on last Sunday morning. A fine sermon was preached by Rev. George C. Gibson, pastor of the Baptist church, and prayer was of-fered by the pastor, Rev. E. L. Half-acre: Special and appropriate music was rendered by the combined choirs of the several churches. Mrs. Ruby (Felch) Smith, of Fitchburg, sang a solo.

Odd Fellows Entertain.

Members of Fredonian lodge, L O O. F., entertained the members of Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge on Mary'A. Livermore Rebekah lodge on last week Friday evening at Odd Fel-lows' hall. About 100 were present to enjoy the many good things provided. The entertaining features opened with a brief address of welcome by Alvah B. Watton, noble grand of Fredonian lodge. This was followed by a longer B. Watton, noble grand of Fredonian lodge. This was followed by piano solos by Miss Gladys Phelps and readings by Miss Esther Amsden. The star feature of the evening, a mock initiation, was then given with the following in the cast of characters: George W. Balch, Charles H. Weare, Jr., Earl C. Merriman, Richard Pomfret, J. Edwin Pomfret, degree staff; Fred Whitcomb, candidate; standing army, John F. Smith, capt.; Alvah Watton, Rev. E. L. Halfacre, Arthur G. Dunn, John E. Adams, John Beach, Arthur Holden, Dr. Warren E. Bryant, Horace Harris,

Dr. Warren E. Bryant, Horace Harris Ralph Wheeler and Clarence, Taylor

soldiers.

Never in the history of Fredonian odge has there been such mirth-prosolding affair as that presented during voking affair as that presented during the evening, as it created one continuous round of laughter from start to finish, each and every one reciting their lines with emphasis and originality. George W. Balch, as the grand medical examiner, was the special hit of the evening. As the degree work came to a close it was greeted with deafening appliance.

leafening applause.
Refreshments of sandwiches, ice refreshments of sandwiches, ice cream, wafers and coffee were served by Morton E. Lawrence, Earl.C. Mer-riman, Arthur G. Dunn, John Beach and Sylvester Chesbrough, Morton E. Lawrence was chairman of the general committee and spen; much time

in planning the affair.

Parker road.

Ralph Graves is spending a few lays in Boston this week. Robert H. J. Holden attended the Harvard-Yale football game in New Haven last Saturday, going to New York over Sunday.

spent Thanksgiving at the home ir, and Mrs. David Marsh on Center road. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pray, of Brook-line, spent Saturday at their house on

Henry Dunn, young son of Mr. and irs. Arthur Dunn, is quite ill with asthma. Mrs. Almond Wing and son, Forrest B. Wing, of Brookline, were guests on Sunday at the home of Albert Adams.

Miss Christine G. Longley, of Halifax, spent the holiday at the home of her mother, Mrs. M. W. Longley. The next meeting of the Grange oc-curs on Tuesday evening, December 5, and will be the golden jubilee, the official birthday of the Grange being December 4, 1896. The committee in charge of the program for the evening consists of the secretary. George F Buxton, and the members of the ex ecutive committee, Charles E. Brad-ford, Henry Crowe and William Jubb.

parrived Tuesday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves, to remain over Thanksgiving. Mrs. Hattie P. Holden and son, Rob

Mrs. Clarence Clark, of Springfield

ort H. J. Holden, spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Harrie P. Barnard at the village. Mrs. Percy Mackaye, who has been occupying the summer home of Rev. H. A. Bridgman on Center road for several weeks, has returned to the city. Mr. Mackaye will remain in town for a short time longer.

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man, master of Massachusetts State Grange. Efforts are being made to have Hon. John Fitzgerald, ex-Mayor of Boston, present to address this meeting.

At the First Parish (Unitarian) church Sunday, December 3, at cleven a. m., Rev. William C. Adams expects to use a Thanksglying subject written with reference to the present situation in Europe, "Our New England Fore-fathers, and their children of today." The union Thanksgiving service at the Universalist church on last Sunday proved a success.

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Whereas, a. certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by FRANK A. POLLARD who prays that letters testamentary may be issued; by him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.
You are hereby cited to appear ***

bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Worcester, in said County of Worcester, on the twelfth day of December. A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And said petitioner is hereby directed give rubble notice thereby directed to give rubble notice thereby directed. should not be granten.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give sublic notice thereof by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Harvard Hillside, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court, and by mailing postpaid, or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the saiate, seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, William T. Forbes, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this twenty-second day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

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gram.

Eight members of the East Viliage Social club met with Mrs. Charles (hapman, Brookline street, the afternoon being on Thursday of last week, instead of on Wednesday as usual. The subject of the day was "Thanksgiving," and several read selections bearing on the subject. One of Rev. W. A Sunday's most popular hymns.

Leo Russell, prospective bridegroom

royal good time, although one fea-

a royal good time, atthough one leave ture of the evening was the initiation of Mr. Russell into the ranks of a benedict. It was judged that the proper manner to accomplish this was to handcuff him to a companion and give them a free ride in a picturesque

vehicle down town, when they went to the eight o'clock train to meet expect-

ed guests. There was considerable red fire and joility in the procession which accompanied him. The entire program of the evening was pronounced

ed satisfactory to the participants

Thanksgiving guests at Ashmonifarm included relatives in town, representing four generations. The guests were Francis Nash, the elder of the

group; the daughters, Mrs. Nellic Plummer, Mrs. Elmer Mason with Mr. Mason and their two children Ernest Nash, who returned last week from the west, was present with his wife and daughter, making the num.

ber, with the host and hostess, Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Nash, a party of elevento enjoy the Thanksgiving dinner.

Mr. and Mrs. Lyman Robbins and

laughter Thurlo went by auto with Emerson Cook to spend Sunday with

Dr. and Mrs. Nelson S. Wood and

son John went to Springfield on Wed-nesday to spend Thanksgiving with the

hain over Sunday, returning on Mon-

Mr. and Mrs. William Foster spent

Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Saunders, High street. Mr. and Mrs. Barnard, from Philadelphia.

were also somewhat expected, but fail-

The little messengers for helpful-

Mr. and Mrs. Parker J. Kemp en-ertained their daughter and husband, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Chapman, of Winchester, at Thanksgiving.

Mrs. M. R. Stratton, from Brook-line, came on Tuesday to spend Thanksgiving with her daughter, Mrs. Charles Stinerford, and family.

A delegation of three ladies from the Pepperell Woman's club attended a meeting of the Groton Woman's club, by invitation, on Friday of last

club, by invitation, on Friday of last week, to meet the guest of honor, Mrs. Laura E. Richards, who gave readings from some of her books, Other clubs were also represented. Mrs. G. H. Shattuck, Mrs. W. W. Lunt

Rev. W. H. Beers and wife attend

ed the afternoon meeting at the Tab-ernacle in Boston on Tuesday to hear Rev. W. A. Sunday.

Town schools closed on Wednesday

for a short vacation of Thanksgivin day and the remainder of the week

Among the teachers going out of own. Miss Ruth Tucker went to

Reading, Miss Grace Weston to Wes

Bridgewater, Mr. Russell to Lawrence and Miss Dorothy Joslyn to Auburn Me, to visit her sister.

The December committee of the L. S. C. of the Unitarian church, Mrs Hobart, Mrs. Kemp and Mrs. Johnson will serve a chicken-pie supper if Central hall on Thursday evening, De

Central hall on Thursday evening, De-cember 7, at 6.30 o'clock. The supper will be followed by an entertainment consisting in part of a sketch by Mrs. Irene Tarbell and Russell Wright, and a farce by Miss Wilson and Katherine

Mrs. Mary Jordan went to Lynn o

Tuesday to remain with relatives over Thanksgiving. While there she in-tended going into Boston to hear Billy

Elizabeth Attridge attended

ed to make plans to come.

They will also re-

elatives in Maynard.

octor's parents.

nowever, including Mr. Russell.

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Saturday, December 2, 1916.

PEPPERELL

Mrs. Mary Henry, who has been Mrs. Mary Henry, who has been taking a rest from her duties as house-keeper at William Taylor's for the past ten days, returned there on Friday of last week. Mrs. Gilson stayed with Mrs. Taylor during the time she was absent.

Mrs. William Bowman, Miss Nellie Maylew and Miss Agnes Dansereau spent Friday of last week in Boston, taking in a matinee at the Colonial heatre in the afternoon.

An auto party from Everett braved An auto party from Everett blave the cold weather of Sunday and came up to spend the day at Maplelawn farm, where they were entertained last summer. The party included Mr. Robbins, whose wife spent several weeks here, but who is since deceased. He was accompanied by his daughter and

was accompanied by his daughter and two friends.

The chicken-pie supper served at the Methodist vestry on Thursday evening of last week was finely attended in spite of rainy weather. Plates were laid for 116 people and nearly all were taken. The tables had something the appearance of a supper of "ye olden time," as they were adorned with candles. This was on account of the trouble with the electric lights, and not from choice. The supper was in charge of Mrs. Nellie Gutterson with a goodly number of helpers. The sale of fancy articles and aprons was in charge of Mrs. Jerry Annls, and was well patronized. There was no entertainment, many returning home immediately following the supper, on account of the rainy evening but the account of the rainy evening, but the financial results were very satisfactory.

Mrs. M. E. Letender entertained her husbane and children, from Leominster, over Thanksgiving.

Rev. J. B. Lewis was in New Haven on last Saturday and witnessed the Harvard-Yale football game.

Gerald Shattuck, Dartmouth, is expected home to spend Thanksgiving with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lin-

Mrs. J. M. Graham went to Derry N. H., Tuesday, to spand Thanking N. H., Tuesday, to spend Thanksgiv-ing with her daughter and family. Mr. Graham spent Thursday there.

Miss Lillian Holmes is assisting Mrs. E. L. Hurd in Hollis, N. H., and her mother, Mrs. Ira Holmes, has closed her house, and is staying in Hollis with her younger daughter, Miss Bernice, who is telephone operator there. N. W. Tarbell, Neil McWilliams and

Raymond Paull are to be employed at the Lawrence plant of the Champion-International Card Company. They were foremen and in the office formerly here in town.

Timothy O'Brien went to Charles town on last Saturday with his little niece, who has been visiting here. niece, who has been visiting here.

The quarantine has been removed from the Hodgkins' house on Province street, as the two children have recovered. Two more cases of the scarlet fever are reported in the family of Arthur Archambault, Tarbell street. A daughter was also born to this couple on Sunday, November 19.

Palester Devers was coulted to with

Rainsford Deware was quite ill with acute indigestion and under the care of a physician the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Nodding and three daughters spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. John Frossard. Dr. H. H. Cleveland came from Wellesley Hills last week for a few days at his farm on Hollis road.

Miss Olive Lewis, now a student at Howard seminary in West Bridgewater, came on Saturday to spen Thanksgiving week at home.

E. S. Durant and family are movin this week into their new home ad-joining his livery stable on Townsend

Mrs. M. E. Swasey returned last eek from a visit with Mrs. M. R. ilchrist in Winchendon, who is in

falling health.

Arthur and Guy Willoughby, from Manchester, N. H., and Wallace Wil-loughly, from Leominster, spent Sun-Miss Anne Potter has closed her house at North Pepperell and will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Ruggles, in Groveland. in town at the old home place.

graduate we think in town. She made her home resound to the joyous strains from her plano, over which she has perfect mastery, and finished with the song, "Good night, fair Har-

Mrs. Alfred Boynton, who has been staying with her niece. Annie Gilson, for a short time, went back to Mrs. Goodwin's in Hollis, N. H., on Mon-

ystem at her age.

About thirty members of the Odd About thirty members of the Odd Fellows from Beacon lodge went to Townsend on Tuesday evening to Join with the lodges of Groton and Shirley as the guests of the North Star. lodge of that place. They were conveyed in six autos by Messrs. Tarbell. Coy. Child, Buss. Kemp & Bennett and Frossard. There were about 200 proceent. Entertainment was offered and Frossard. There were about 200 present. Entertainment was offered in the form of music and a farce, and several speakers from the different lodges were called upon. A fine collation of sandwiches with coffee doughnuts and cheese and fruit was followed by a smoke talk and social. By invitation of Fredonian lodge of Shirley the next meeting will be held with them on December 12.

Miss Ada Whitney went to Nashua

Miss Ada Whitney went to Nashua on Wednesday to spend Thanksgiving and the week-end with relatives.

Miss Bertha Maloney went to Win-chendon on Wednesday to enjoy her school vacation with her aunt, Mrs. M. R. Gilchrist and family. bearing on the subject. One of Rev. W. A. Sunday's most popular hymns. "Brighten the corner where you are." was sung by Mrs. Mabel Lane and Miss Jordan. Quite a piece of work was accomplished also, the ladies finishing the making of a quilt for a charitable purpose. In the absence of Mrs. E. J. Darling entertained Miss Mary Connig, a Fitchburg school teacher, and old friend, over Thanks-

giving. he secretary Mrs. Maude Parker acted in her place. The hostess served re-reshments at the close of the pro-Mr. and Mrs. Harry Lakin, of Greenfield, were guests of his par-ents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Lakin, Greenheld, were Lakin. Thanksgiving evening and a part of Friday. Mr. Lakin's duties on the railfroad did not allow him to reach home in time for the family gathering of Wednesday afternoon, was ban-quetted at his former boarding place in town by some of his former asso-ciates—bachelors, ex-bachelors and would-be-bachelors—to the number of about twenty. There was a turkey supper served by Mrs. Harriman, and

at dinner. Guests of Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Nash, at Asheroft farm over Sunday, motor-ing up for the day, were Mr. and Mrs. William Carr, of Worcester, and Mr. and Mrs. J. S. Whittemore, of Leices-

Mrs. Harris Tarbell visited friends in Boston and vicinity on Friday and Saturday of last week. N. S. Shattuck went into Boston to

mend Thanksgiving with friends. William Reed, Donald Rivers and Gardiner Willey attended a meeting of the Custus Morum lodge, I. O. F., in Milford, N. H., last week. Miss Alice McGrath, of Boston.

a recent visitor with her mother, Mrs John McGrath, Main street. Mrs. John R. Shattuck has so far Ars. John R. Shattuck and S. Italian R. Shattuck and S. Italian as to be able to leave the Memorial hospital on last Saturday. She will remain in Nashua with her nicee for a short time before returning to her home in Concord Junction.

Miss Abble Carter intends to move from her home on River street on ac-count of poor health and will board during the winter with Mrs. Lyman Blood, probably. Miss Carter is plan-ning to dispose of all her household goods which includes some antique furniture.

furniture.

Mrs. Adda Upson, with her youngest, son, Warren, left this week for Worcester after twenty years' residence here. Mr. and Mrs. Upson came here from Akron, N. Y., Mr. Upson being then employed by the Fitchburg Railroad Company. He continued in their employ until February, 1909, when he was accidentally killed on the tracks near the station while performing his duties. Mrs. Upson's three older boys now have employment in Worcester, and her removal there is to make a home so that the family may again be together. Mrs. Upson leaves many friends here who will miss her. On Thursday morning she went to Nashua to spend Thanksgiving and the flight with her sister, Mrs. Frank Hall, and was joined by her two oldest sons, who came back here furniture. The little messengers for helpful-ness, the Red Cross Christmas seals, are looking for purchasers who will use them on letters and packages dur-ing the holiday season. Buy them and thus help in the fine work of fighting tuberculosis.

> truck to Worcester. Other Pepperell matter on first page.

The couple left on the afternoon train amid showers of rice and good wishes, and after a short trip will live in Lawand after a short trip will live in Law-rence, where the groom has a position as engineer. He was formerly em-ployed by the Champion International Company here in town, and the bride was also an employee there for a short time. Their popularity among their former associates was shown by the many beautiful and useful gifts.

The marriage of Miss Bertha Floronce Johnson, of Boston, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Lincoln A. Johnson, of this town, to Frank Burton Kaulbeck, of Roxbury, was solemnized in the Baptist church of that place on Wednesday, November 29. The ceremony was performed by Rev. Charles I. Page, pastor of the church, in the presence of the immediate friends and

nembers of the family.

Mr. and Mrs. Kaulbeck took a short

Sunday in his tabernacle.

Lawrence Morgan is receiving congratulations on his added honor of being grandfather to a 9½ pound boy, born to his son and wife, Mr. and Mrs.

Enos Morgan, North-Leominster, on Tuesday, November 28.

Mrs. George F. Durgin spent Thanksgiving with friends in Ipswich, as Mr. Durgin is still in the west.

Mrs. A. G. Pike was a Lowell shopper on Tuesday.

There was surely one person in town who was very joyous over the Harwho was latter for Bancroft & Martin, a rolling mill will company of Boston. She will constitute were universally satisfied with the result of their first public demonstration. The company of Boston. She will constitute were universally satisfied with the result of their first public demonstration, stration,

The groom is an employee in the City of Boston, printing department.
Mr. and Mrs. Kaulbeck were the recipients of many valuable presents of silver, cut glass and gold

Denths. The death of Calvin Lawrence came

Mrs. Alfred Boynton, who has been staying with her niece. Annie Gilson, for a short time, went back to Mrs. Goodwin's in Hollis, N. H., on Monday.

Mrs. M. E. Woodward, who returned from Lebanon, N. H., with her daughter, Mrs. Spurgeon Cuthbertson, has been visiting here a few days, and went to Milford, N. H., Tuesday, to spend Thankegiving with her older daughter, Mrs. Lizzie Hutchinson, and family.

Mrs. Ernest Nye, from Leominster, came to attend the funeral service of her uncle, Calvin Lawrence, on Tuesday.

Mrs. Henry O. Shattuck is suffering from a succession of boils, the first she ever experienced in her many years of life. They are proving both irritating as well as weakening to the system at her age. Jones, of Lunenburg, is also deceased.
Another brother, Jerome Lawrence,
has been dead several years, and by
the death of Calvin Lawrence, the
family is narrowed down to the one
brother above mentioned. Kirk M.

awrence. The deceased was twice married.

Lawrence.

The deceased was twice married. His first wife was Miss Maria E. Fuller, of Groton, the marriage occurring on March 8, 1870. Her death took place in January, 1893. His second marriage was in June, 1899, to Miss Elizabeth Williams, of Groton, her death only occurring in January of this year. Rev. J. E., B. Jewett performed this marriage ceremony.

Mr. Lawrence was a member of the E. S. Clark post, G. A. R., of Groton, being a veteran of the civil war. He enlisted in the 32nd Massachusetts regiment, October 5, 1861. His regiment was ordered to the front and was in active service. At the battle of Geltysburg, July 2, 1863, he received the injuries which sent him to the hospital, resulting in two amputations of his leg. He received honortions of his leg. He received honorable discharge from the army on July able discharge from the army on July 27, 1864; and returned home. After a few months' convalescence he, went to Groton to learn the trade of tinsmith and plumber at the shop of a Mr. Smith. In the following year, about 1866; he started business for himself in Pepperell in the brick block near the Leighton Bros. shoe factory. His was the first business of this kind to Services were held at his late home on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock, in charge of the E. S. Clark post of Groton, Rev. B. E. Tucker of the Baptist church of that town being the officiating clergyman. The services were largely attended, members of the

omeiating ciergyman. The services were largely attended, members of the Thomas Parker post also being present. Burial was in Woodlawn cemetery in his family lot.

Elizabeth Lucy, the six-months-old infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Williams, died at their home on Main street after a brief illness from bronchitis Monday night. The child was thorn on May 30, and from its extreme frailness was hardly expected to live, as it weighed less than 1½ pounds at birth. Although she has never been really ill she did not thrive and grow, and weighed probably only about five pounds at this time. A short prayer service was conducted by about five pounds at this time. A short prayer service was conducted by Rev. W. H. Beers on Wednesday forenoon at ten o'clock from the house, and burial was in the Williams' iot in Walton cemetery.

The remains of Mrs. Nellie M. Hadley, widow of the late John J. Hadley, formerly of this town, were brought here from her home in Whitman on Monday. Her death occurred there on Friday, November 24, of myocarditis, after an illness of about one week. Services were held there on Sunday at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Cora Sleeper, with whom she had made her home since the death of her husband here, thirteen years of her husband here, thirteen years in December. The deceased was 67 in December. The deceased was years and 14 months of age, and is survived by two daughters. Mrs. Cora B. Sleeper, referred to, and Mrs. Stella Hadley, both of whom accompanied the body to this town and to the final

resting place at Woodlawn.

Mr. and Mrs. Hadley were residents here for several years, Mr. Hadley being employed as section foreman on the Boston and Maine railroad. They resided on Tarbell street and some of the former neighbors of Mrs. Hadley still recall her many kind deeds to miss her. On Thursday morning she went to Nashua to spend Thanksgiving and the flight with her sister, Mrs. Frank Hall, and was joined by her two oldest sons, who came back here Friday morning to attend to the removal of the household goods by auto truck to Worcester.

he established here.

He resided here for some years, and in 1879 took D. Elmer Weston as his Weddings.

The marriage of Miss Irene Helen Boulia, second daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Boulia, of this town, to Leo B. Russell, of Lawrence, was solemnized by Rev. W. J. Barry, pastor of St. Joseph's church, at the rectors of the wildings which he occupied up to the time of his death. He has interested himself in fruit growing here, having a large acreage of small fruits with which he experimented, and later set out a large pear orchard. He also tried raising poultry, returned to the home of the bride's parents on Pleasant street, where a little reception was held for immediate relatives and friends, refreshments of ice cream and cake being served. the relatives and triends, letters and the state of this year he has been cared the couple left on the afternoon train for by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Julia for by his sister-in-law, Mrs. Julia Lawrence, the nurse, and has had every care and consideration.

Grange Notes.

At the last regular meeting of Prescott Grange Friday evening, November 24, the election of officers took place, resulting as follows: Miss Ellen Miller, m.; Mrs. Jennie McDonald, o.; Oliver M. Nash, lect.; Earl M. Stewart, chaplain: George E, Shattuck, treas; Mrs. Minnie Greene, sec.; Lloyd Ban-croft, stew.; Miss Edith Dow. I. a. s.; Verner Bancroft, asst. stew.; Chester Shattuck, g. k.; Mrs. Maude Dow. Ceres; Miss Hazel Thompsoh. Flora; Miss Della O'Neal, Pomona; Mrs. Miss Della O'Neal, Pomona; Mrs. Francis Lawrence, chorister; Edward H. Bliss, ex. com., 3 yrs.

Installation of the newly-elected officers will occur early in January. The next regular meeting of the Grange will be Friday evening. De-

ITEMS OF INTEREST

In a case before a Tennessee justice one of the lawyers made fun of the other's grammar. The justice at once rose and said: "Mr. Perkins, if you are one of them what thinks grammar runs in this court you're barking up the wrong tree. If I hear any more sich remarks as you have just made, I'll fine you ten dollars."

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JOSEPH E. PERRY, State Income Tax Attorney.

UNITED STATES VS. BAY STATE

(Second Article)

How the State Income Tax Law Compares with the Federal Income Tax Law.

The new state law is entirely distinct'and separate from the federal law. If a person is not taxable under the federal law, he may never theless be taxable under the state law, and the filing of a return under the federal law does not excuse one from filing his return under the state law.

While the federal law is a tax on income derived from all sources, the state law taxes only income from certain sources, and in separating taxable from non-taxable income the individual may encounter some difficulty. In this, as in all other ways, the state tax officials are glad to assist the taxpayer in making out his return, and, of course, without charge.

Flat Rates.

The rates under the state law are the same for all taxpayers, whereas the rates under the federal law increase with the wealth of the taxpayer.

Important.

The state law also differs in the exemptions and deductions allowed and in some of the details of its administration. A most important distinction is that while a person whose income is under three thou. sand dollars need file no return under the federal law a person who receives any of certain classes of taxable income no matter how little, must make his return to the state There is a widespread but erroneous impression that a person whose total income is less than two thousand dollars is exempt under the state law. He may or may not be depending on the sources of his in-

Calendar Year.

On the other hand, both the state and the federal laws base the 1917 tax on the income received during the calendar year of 1916-i. e. the taxpayer can use the same figures on both, thus reducing to a minimum any additional inconvenience in making out both returns.

Remember that the new law does affect the assessment of real tate and tangible personal properlocally by the local city or town assessors at the local rates. As to such property April Brst will continue to be the tax day. It is very important to note that if a person fails next year to bring in to the local assessors a list of his taxable personal estate, he shall be assessed (locally) for an amount of personal estate, not less than that for which he was assessed and taxed in 1916, and in addition will be obliged to pay his state income tax. The purpose of this provision is to secure throughout the state a full disclosure of all kinds of personal property The simple way to avoid the penalty is to file the local as well as the state

Safety First. The new law starts with a clean

slate and a person who has not been fully taxed in the past has full immunity as to his past delinquency. It is perfectly safe in 1917 to make a complete return under the income tax law as no disclosure made therein can be used retroactively against the taxpayer. Moreover, the returns will be treated with the utmost secrecy. It, is expected that as each return is filed the necessary data can be taken off on a computation sheet which will be handled entirely by number and the original return which bears the taxpayer's name will be filed away under lock and key. If this plan proves possible, it will be impossible for formation to leak out, and in any event extreme penalties are provided for any employee in the tax de partment who divulges any information about any return on file. The only public record will be lists each district of the names of the persons who have filed returns that district. This will make fective the provision that if any person fails to make a return required under this law, any ten taxable inhabitants of the Commonwealth may petition to compel such person to file his return.

State Income Tax NEW POLICY NEEDED IN GOVERNMENT RAILWAY CONTROL

Helpfulness and Encouragement Urged by Alfred P. Thom.

CREDIT MUST BE IMPROVED

Increase of Transportation Facilities Necessary to Secure Relief From High Cost of Living May Thus Be Provided For by the Railroads.

Washington, Nov. 28.-A new policy of government railroad regulation, based on constructive principles of helpfulness and encouragement instead of upon principles of repression and punishment, was urged by Alfred P. Thom, counsel for the Railway Executives' Advisory Committee, the first witness on behalf of the railroads before the Newland's Joint Committee on Interstate Commerce, which has instituted a general inquiry into the prob lems of railroad regulation.

"It is proposed by the joint resolution of Congress," said Mr. Thom, "to go into a comprehensive study of the whole subject of transportation, to make a new assessment, after 29 years of experiment, of its history, its present conditions and its future needs. The railroads accept the view that regulation is a permanent and enduring part of government in America and that the first duty of the carriers is to the public. That duty is to afford reasonable facilities on reasonable terms and at reasonable rates, and this must be done before any private interests can be considered.

Certainty, Safety and Sufficiency. Mr. Thom contended that the real interest of the public is in being assured

of certainty, safety and sufficiency of transportation facilities, rather than in The first consideration of the rates. public is to obtain transportation facilities. What the cost is, is in reality a econd consideration, he said.

Mr. Thom proposed an increase of transportation facilities as a method of securing relief from the high cost of living. "There have been less than 1,000 miles of new railroad constructed in the United States during the past year,' he said, "less than in any year since 1848, except the period of the Civil War, and yet the cost of living is daily advancing owing to a shortage of supplies which might be remedied by securing access to new areas of produc-

Credit Must Be Improved

"This leads to the consideration as to whether railroad credit is as good as the public interest requires. It is impossible for railroads to earn enough to supply the necessary new facilities from current revenue. They must be provided from credit. Investors cannot be coerced, but must be attracted." Among the conditions affecting railroad credit which deter investors he mentioned the following:

"First, Railroad revenues are not controlled by investors, but are fixed and limited by governmental authority and not by one but by several governmental authorities, which do not recognize responsibility for assured results to investors and are uncoordinated.

"Second, Railroads cannot control and the government cannot and does not limit the expense account. "Third, The present system of regu-

lation is based on a policy of regulation and correction and not on a policy of lpfulness and encouragemen "Fourth, The outstanding obligations of the railroads have already exceeded

the financial rule of safety and involve a disproportionate amount of obligations bearing fixed charges. "Fifth, The investor must accept a subordinate obligation or security with

no assurance of a surplus of earnings to support it. "Sixth, Other competitive lines of investment present superior attractions.
"Seventh, The railroad business is

largely controlled by political instead of business considerations.

Look Forward, Not Back. "We may debate about what has caused the present conditions," said Mr. Thom, "but we cannot debate about what the people need. The President has taken the view that we must look forward in this matter and 'make a fresh assessment of circumstances' in order to deal helpfully and intelligently with the problem. Abuses are no more prevalent in the railroad business today than in any other business humanely conducted. The great question now is whether the existing system of regulation gives the public reliable assurance of sufficient present

and future railroad facilities, "Those who oppose any change must make their appeal on the ground that the present systems assure the public of the continued adequacy of transportation facilities. If they do not, no argument based on the desirability of the present dual system of regulation will be accepted by public judgment. The question of 'states' rights' is not involved. If the regulation of transportation facilities privately owned should fail government ownership must follow, and then all power of the states

over the railroads would disappear. "Let us debate this question, then, not upon any mere theory or jealousy as to the distribution of governmental power, but upon the large issue of what the public interest requires inrespect of the assurance of adequate eransportation service."