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PEPPERELL

Mrs. Frank Smith and Mrs. John Tune went to Fitchburg on Thursday to visit Miss Fiorence Smith at the Burbank hospital in Fitchburg.

The J. A. Lawrence homestead on the Nashua road had last week for company Mr. and Mrs. O'Brien and daughter, and Mr, and Mrs. Reed and two children, from Nashua, N. H., and five from Medford.

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Au The following prizes will be award ed by the committee on the Grange fair to be held on Friday, October 4: Girls' canning prizes, 10 varieties required, 1st \$3, 2d \$2; \$1 for best peck operations on Friday evening, July of potatoes grown by either boy or girl 26, for the benefit of the Red Cross, under eighteen years; vegetables Miss Christine Coleman, of Orange, is

grown by children under twelve years, 5 varieties required, 1st \$2, 2d \$1.50, 3d \$1; children over twelve years, 10 varieties of vegetables required, 1st \$2.50, 2d \$1.50, 3d \$1.

to give the play, "Feg o' my heart." Dancing will follow the entertainment. Dancing will follow the entertainment.
Services at the Methodist church will be held as usual and Rev. B. W.
Rust will have for his topic in the morning, "Saying and doing." Happy hour service topic "A princely gift."
The Epworth league is planning an evening of unusual merit for Friday, August 2.

August 2.

Thursday cleared up a beautiful morning after the heavy rains of Wednesday. The air was sweet with the smell of new hay, the foliage was washed clean and the roads were dustless, and it made an ideal time for the Methodist folks to take their annual plenic, and Whalom Park was their destination. About seventy-five planned for the outing.

Mrs. Forrest Andrews and haby son

Mrs. Forrest Andrews and baby son, of Nashua, are spending the week with her husband's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Jonas Andrews.

hn. \$2.50, 2d \$1.50, 3d \$1.

Supt. A. R. Paull went last week to his summer home at Ocean Park.

From the Nashua Telegraph of Friday, July 12: "The auto of Dr. Fred McGrail, of Pepperell, caught fire in front of the library this morinng, and the chemical was called from the Central station to put out the flames. A back fire did the trick and ignited a leak in the gasofene-tank."

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Charles Andrews has beautiful to the flames and form the flames and fire town, and was known by many to the Pepperell people. Rev. J. B. Lewis officiated at the funeral services and Mr. Jewett was one of the pair bearers.

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recently, renewing old recollections with A. A. Pelton, and relationships with Jonas Andrews.

Ernest Gilson, from the middle west arrived here on Thursday morning to

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A. G. Pollard

visit his mother, Mrs. James Gilson, who is very sick.

to is reported that the Woods boys, near the Ettchburgraftroad, captured a big turtle the other evening while fishing. It is one of the child kind-and valued at tem dollars.

Mr. and Mrs. George V. Herrig, of first was on the job and if nothing Somerville, are with her parents, Mr. happens the road will be in fine shape and Mrs. Georgo Florce, at Woodside. Wednesday night. Ralph Lawson, wife and infant son, are here with his parents on a visit. If, Lawson is employed by the telephone company in New Haven, Conn, where he has quited responsible position, and is now employing a two-weeks' vacation.

The drivers of heavy teams report that the gravel Street Commissioner Blood has spread on Main street, and the recent rains, has improved the traveling very much.

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Through the office of Kemp & Bennett, William Gardner has exchanged his house on Franklin street for Leon Herbert's property on Williams street. The Herbert property consists of two houses and two acres of land. Mr. Gardner will occupy the larger of the two houses.

It is reported that someone stole the milch goat that R. E. Tarbell owned, and it is thought to be in Nashua, being sold for lamb.

News has arrived that Willard Gray has received his commission as second leutenant in the aviation corps at Kelley's Field. San Antonio, Texas.

lieutenant in the aviation corps at Kelley's Field. San. Antonio, Texas. The second lieutenant commission is the highest commission now being awarded by the government for this present batch of aviators, and they are expected to go overseas at once.

The heavy rain of Wednesday caught a lot of farmers with their hay ready to put in the barn. The haying is not about haif done in this section. The East Village Social club will meet next Wednesday with Mrs. Charles Chapman on Brookline street.

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friends it town, and soon reports at Camp Divens.

Last Sunday was army day at the Congregational church. The auto truck idaned by the Nashua River Paper Company brought twenty-eight soldiers from Camp Devens and two Y. M. C. A. secretaries. Only twenty soldiers were expected, but homes were readily found to entertain the extra men. They filled the choir loft and sang very heartily. As a special selection they sang the Marseillaise. Sec. C. W. Stetson, of Hut 22, who was here in April, played familiar hymns upon his chime bulls, and also played upon his musical glasses. At Sunday school he had an interesting story for the children. Bewilk, E. Wolfe, until recently pastor of the Congregational church in Milford, N. H., preached a stiering sermon. Dinners half to be hastened as the men hald to be hack at three o'clock. This was their last furlough before going across and the men appreciated it—so they said.

Rev. John B. Lewis will preach at the disposite the service. John B. Lewis will preach a

J. B. Lewis v Misses Olive Lewis and Anna Pea-oly go to Northfield Saturday to at-end the summer school of Sunday chool workers.

Brighton. Miss Flora Smith, who has been for a long time with Mrs. George F. Durgin, where loving words and cheery counsel can aid a young girl, has made a wonderful success as a teacher. Last year Miss Smith taught English and Spanish, in the Wirthrop high school, and the coming year she has accepted a similar position it the Newton high school. She is enjoying a stay at Mrs. Durgin's home for A few weeks.

Mrs. Sam Waller Foss and daugh-

Durant's home for a few weeks.

Mrs. Sam Walter Foss and daughter, of Somerville, were at Maple Shade last week; also, Miss Lillian Wentworth from the same place, and William Watts, of Lynn. Robert Carter, who is the hurch organist in Maynard, is at Maple Shade as often as he can get the chance of the rest. It seems that "I of the large owners of woodlots have had letters from the government, sking the varieties of wood now saying, and all of the black walnut are to be especially noted. There are stood on the Main street, on the at Warren Woods' established walnut back manner. street, on the tate, a good say this is a However, ye Mrs, Ned T. and Mr. and

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Miss Ellen Hogs and her sister, Miss Avis Riggs f Cambridge, were week-end visitors at Fair View farm. Miss Carrie addwell m Cambridge last week Fr brought back some friends. edwell motored to week Friday and Gilbert Southworth, who has several relatives here is with an aviation corps which traced at Houston, Texas, It is expected that he is on his way to France

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Reporters get all kinds of stories,
and here is a hamper: A big motordriven oil sprayer going down Morgan's hill, sloped oil over the men
until oiled to the skin; that these men
looked so bady trey wanted to borrow clothes from Mr. Morgan and did
not want their times in the paper.
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hill, strück a water bar and a spring broke. Whether the motor started under its own momentum or not the sprayer was at last turned into a bank of sand and left on the side of the road by the state construction gang. On Tuesday another new oller like the

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Gaskill, of Oak hill, spent Saturday and Sunday with relatives in Nashua.

It is reported that Miss Helen Now-ell has hired the Emma Harmon place on Pleasant street.

The Men's club will have a picnic next Thursday, extending the invitation to their wives and sweethearts, at Dr. Cleveland's farm, near the Holls line. For further details call for Arthur Bartlett at Parker's store. It is expected that they will finish the famous basebail game started at Lake Baboosic in June.

Letter from France.

The following letter, dated June 20, has been received by Mrs. Leroy Shattuck from her brother in France, Har-

old Gray:

Well 'you may be surprised—we have been in it again, but, why so?—we did not come over here to play checkers. Believe me, it was some day. The Huns started a heavy bombardment in the early morning and a couple of thousand and more followed it up. The shock troops attacked first, but oh boy, when the machine guns opened up on them! Did they keep coming? They broke ranks—tried to rally several times but no use—we simply mowed the devils old Gray:

Ars. and Misse O'Neal, Gearmantown, Pa.; the Hisses Beottie, Schenectady, N. Y.: the Hisses Beottie, Schenectady, N. Y.: Mrs. and Miss Seldensticker, St. John, N. E. There were sixteen to dinner at the J. A. Lawrence farm last Sunday, nostly from New Hampshire. Richarl Hardy has been visiting friends it town, and soon reports at Camp Dyens,

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A new-born baby's pulse should beat from 130 to 140 times per minute; a year-old child's 115 to 130; a four-teen-year-old's 80 to 90; an adult's from 70 to 75, and an agel person's from 60 to 75.

LITTLETON

rence. The latter will be with friends at the north shore until about August first.

Mrs. Nellie Houghton Dodge and children of Gloucester City, N. J., arrived at D. G. Houghton's Sunday. At present they are spending two weeks in Gloucester, after which they will return to remain with her people, the D. G. Houghton's this summer.

The many summers are related and Mr. and Mrs. Fried Zappy were guestes of the D. G. Houghton's Sunday. At present they are spending two weeks.

Mrs. Kelley of King street is enterstaining a niece, frma Pickard, of Fitchburg, for the summer.

J. W. Dodds accompanied Rev. F.

The surgical dressings meeting will be held with Mrs. George A. Cook next week Thursday afternoon. week Thursday afternoon.

Rev. F. W. Lambertson will preach Sunday morning on "Healing shadows."

Everett Kimball and daughter Gladyshave motored into New Hampshire a few days this week.

The Grange had a very pleasing entertainment Wednesday evening. Prof. Prince of the literary department at Amherst Agricultural college gave a spiendid address on German propaganda, going back into the history of Repasaukee.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tenney of Cambridge spent two days this week at his parental home on Foster street.

Mrs. Elliot T. Lane of Boston is visiting her relatives, the W. H. Tenney's.

C. G. Sloane and wife have given up their home at Arlington Heights and have come to town to live with Mrs. Sloane's sister. Mrs. Grace Lawrence. The latter will be with friends at the north shore until about August.

Miss Florence Read and Mr. and Mrs. Fred Zappy were guestes of the D. G. Houghton's a few days this week.

J. W. Dodds accompanied Rev. F. W. Lambertson and the junior Scouts in camp this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hollis Robbins were week-end guests of the F. C. Hart-well's.







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WESTFORD

Center. Mr. and Mrs. Preston H. Skidmore and daughter Elaine are spending two weeks at Chatham.

brother's family.

Miss Hazel Hartford recently received a letter from her cousin, Wesley Hawkes, Jr., in the service in Florence of the France, in which was enclosed an interesting seavethr in the slape of a button from the random of a German prisector.

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wesley O. Howkes, John Wilson, Joseph E. Krikat, Wayland F. Balen.

Mr. Bicknell is a civil war veteran, serving with company C. 16th Massachusetts regiment for a period of 4 years and 11 days. The day he cellisted he walked from Westford to the camp of George Good. At noon dinner was enjoyed on the shore of the pond and consisted of 4 years and 11 days. The day he cellisted he walked from Westford to the camp of George Good eggs on toast, minus the toast. Much fun resulted in their attempts at preparing a meal in the open, and if the potatoes were only half baked nobody found fault, as their appetites were much larger than the supply of food. Those who made the trip were Alice the of Buil Run, when he was taken prisoner. When he was at Hampton Roads, at Fortreas Monroe, he witters and the Merrimack. It was one of the satisfactions of Mr. Bicknell's later years that he could go a few years ago to Southern Pennsylvania for the observation of the fiftieth anniversary of that famous battle of Gettysburg.

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Messre: Gardner, Fodds, Lamertson and Cook—and the solos, with repeated encores of Georgo Ayers, acompanied by Miss Elsie Whitney, panist, were thoroughly enjoyed and heartily

Eugene Esten, Chicapee Falls, can home for Sunday and rave his parent an agreeable surprise.

Mr. and Mrs. John Ames, of Somerville, are spending their vacation of two weeks with Mrs. A. W. Knowlong

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etter was read from Frank Bailey by ng will be in charge of nast masters

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell 25 choice cows, 1 bull, 2 horses, wagons, carts, harnesses, milking machine, etc.; also, farming tools, the property of George W. Harmon, 119 Holyoke street, Lynn, Monday morning, July 22, at 9,30 o'clock.

A Poet's Inspiration.

Sir Joshua Reynolds, who was a great friend and admirer of Goldsmith, came upon him unexpectedly one day when he was writing "The Traveler." Sir Joshua, approaching the door, heard Goldsmith ing most earnestly as if delivering a sermon. Entering, the artist friend found the writer lecturing a little dog which was trying to balance himself on his hind legs. Looking over Goldsmith's shoulder. Sir Joshua found that the ink of the last line of "The Traveler" was still wet, indicating that a dog may be an inspiration to a poet.

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HARVARD

News Items.

The regular drill was held on Monday at 7.30, as usual the men falling in at the town hall. They marched on the Common and on the Bromfield grounds and practised the manual of arms, at which they are improving steadily. New men are urged to come out and join; they will be taken care of at any time.

The sudden death of little Sheldon Parsons on Monday last came with a shock to Mr. and Mrs. W. Lawrence Parsons and to the many friends of the little fellow. He suffered from paralysis while at play and died in an hour and a half later. Funeral services were from the house. Rev. Mr. Kattner officiated. The floral tributes from the church societies and personal friends were beautiful and abundant. Little Sheldon was a very bright and tovable child, a state charge, but living with Mr. and Mrs. Parsons. This young couple had arranged to legally adopt him had not Also Etta Kittredge of Portland, the judgest the public idol, Edith Storey, with at the week.

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The Music Study class are arranging for a musical to be given on Tuesday evening, July 20, at the home of Mrs. H. B. Kayatl.

The Girk Scouts can play on the judgest the meet with Mrs. Catherine Hirsch every Thursday afternoon from two day evening, July 26, at the home of garden under their care. The local troop of Girl. Scouts from the joying themselves, They have one as of garden under their care. The local troop of Girl. Scouts are to give as oncial benefit dance at town hall, Friday evening, July 26, Music by the Colonial orchestra. Scouts from the camp will assist in making the affar a success.

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Mrs. Annie, Whitney with her daughter, Hope Whitney, from Buffalo, N. Y., are visiting with her parents here for a few weeks, Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Haskell.

Rev. and Mrs. Kattner are enter-taining at the parsonage this week a classmate of Mr. Kattner's, Rev. E. M. Buehler and wife. Rev. Buehler is pastor of a church at East Lynn. The two young divines are enjoying a two weeks' vacation in the hayfields at Tahanto farm, assisting in the harvesting of the hay at Fiske Warren's. Atthur W. Coulman, from Lynn, a member of the U. S. Boys' Working Reserve, is working during the summer months at the estate of William L. Crosby on Oak hill.

The grammar school building and the Bromfield residence are being much improved by a coat of paint. A. T. West is doing the work.

Miss Nadine Walker left Monday for a few weeks' visit with relatives in Maine.

Miss Dorothy E. West was given a Miss Dorothy E. West was given a four to six o'clock at the Copley-Plaza hotel, Boston. Miss Martha Wiecjor-eck, a classmate of Miss West's, gave the party. Gentlemen guests were present from the naval radio station with girl friends from Newton Upper Falls.

Falls.

Regular church services at the Congregational church on Sunday morning at 10.46. The Sunday school will be from 9.30 to 10.20 a. m., in accordance with the new order of services. Rev. E. M. Buehler of Lynn will conduct the morning service. Miss Baker and Mr. West will sing.

Miss Emma Bagster of Lowell is visiting this week-end with her sisters on Oak hill at the family homestead. Quincy Bull with his daughter, Ruth Bull, arrive this week-end for a two weeks vacation visit with Mrs. H.

Emma Whitney. Miss H. N. Farwell has engaged the north tenement in the parish house of J. W. Lee and will move in soon. Miss Farwell has been living with Mrs. Houck since here own home was destroyed by fire last summer.

The family of Robert Fuller of Bel-mont are occupying the Fuller home-stead on Oak hill for the summer. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bagster have moved their household goods to Ports-mouth, N. H., where Mr. Bagster is

angaged in the shipyards. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gale of Paw-tucket, R. I., are visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. George T. Gale. On Saturday last the Girls' Canning club canned 89 cans of raspberries. On Wednesday they canned peas. Don't forget if you have any worth conserving in surplus notify Nancy Harlow, president. The club is also drying yegetables.

Mr. and Mrs. Wesley Hapgood of Waltham were week-end and over Sunday guests with Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hapgood

France, June 18.

Dear Mrs. Jones—Your son Paul has asked me to write to you to say that he has been admitted to a hospital, but that he is doing well, and will be discharged in due time. I am the chaplain of the hospital, and see Paul every day. I thought that you would like to know from me that he is doing well. In a few days he will write to you himself. The name of your town is familiar to me. I live in Groton, Mass.

Sincerely yours,

N. R. Gr

France, June 22, 1918.

To My Dear Father and Mother—suppose you have heard by this time that I am in the hospital and am getting along as well as can be expected. I hope that this letter thinds all in the town half last week Friday good health and spirits. I was hurt June 8th by a German shell coming for the benefit of the local Red Cross and shell conting over when I was back on support, just as I was going to fed, setting me and four of my comrades, besides at Rilling one outright. They got us back to the hospital in sood time. Was the colock and we got in about to me. Comp. Paul E. Jones.

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Your loving son, Corp. Paul E. Jones.

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News Items. Rev. and Mrs. J. Francis Russell, who have been doing missionary work in the Philippines for several years, have arrived home and are staying at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George W. Balch, Lancaster road. Mr. Russell was formerly paster of the Baptist church.

Rev. William P. Farnsworth has accepted a call to the First Universalist church in Woodsville, N. H., and will commence his pastorate about September 1. Mr. Farnsworth has resigned from the Shirley and Legmin-

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Rarker road.

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Rodney Brown, of Greenefild, is spending two weeks at his home in

W. Lloyd Allen, of Newtonville, spent Wednesday in town at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Elmer H.

Mrs. Minnie Allen attended a con-erence of D. A. R. workers in Bel-nont on Tuesday.

Mrs. Susie Flynn is enjoying a vaca-tion this week from her duties at the office of the President Suspender Co. Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant left Tuesday for a two-weeks' vacation at the home of their daughter, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Manning, at Upper Mont-clair N. J.

Clarence Clark, of Springfield, spent Sunday at the home of Mr and Mrs. N. R. Graves. Mrs. Herman S. Hazen and Miss Ethel M. Hollen have returned after spending a week at Oak Buffs with Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Fee

Dean E. Hewes, of Clark who went to Fort Slocum who the last draft contingent, has recovered home, having been rejected a physical grounds.

It is understood that the sale of Mrs. E. J. Stevens' farm at the North has been completed and that Mrs. Stevens will move from town very

Private and Mrs. Charles A. Quimby and Mrs. Ruth Martin, of Ayer, were guests last Saturday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves.

Madame Arina Delaware guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. L. Snow over the week-end. Miss Carrie G. Bradford has been spending a few days with friends in

Boylston. The community sing was held on Sunday evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Roy C. Cool.

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The Alliance met on last week harsday at the First Parish church, lars. Lucy J. Merriman presiding. The attendance was good, and the puter given by Rev. O. J. Fairfield, of difficient, was of unusual merit and Mrs. Hugh O'Nelli have taken and are now occupying the A. Carlotte of the companion of the companion of the companion of the control of the contro

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The funeral of Mrs. Julia E. Holden was held on last Saturday afternoon from her late home. Rev. Frank B. Crandall of the Unitarian church. Ayer, officiating. The bearers were Aubrey Manktelow, Horace C. Harris, Amos Farrar and John Farrar, all members of Shirley Grange, of which Mrs. Holden was a member. Burial who have been compared by the family 1st in the Center Francis' house of two and gone it.

town.

Henry S. P. Stane, of Waltham, is spending a few days at his home on Parker road.

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LUNENBURG

News Items.

The Village improvement society met in the lower fown hall on Monday evening, Filint H Boutwell, president, in the chair. The first thing on the program was the reading of reports, or should have been, but the former secretary was of town and had forgotten to hand the books to his successor can bring herors. of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves.

Miss Florence Wilkins, of Woodsville, left last week for a visit of sevoral weeks in Gloucester, at the summer home of Mrs. A. S. Burnham, of
Revere, who formerly spont her summers at Woodsville until her summer placed in the styings bank and was

few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Louis J. Farnsworth, at the North.

John Farrar, at the North, has received notice to report at Camp Devens with the next draft contingent.

The knitting circle on Monday evening was entertained at the home of Mrs. Roy C. Cool.

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drawing interest. The election of officers for the present year was next taken up, resulting as follows: C, A. Woodward, press. Flint H. Boutwell, Arthur Q. Emerson, vice press, Miss Blanche E. Lancey, sec.; S. U. McIntyre, treas; Mrs. Viola Beikford, Mrs. Lulu Francis, Mrs. Julia Bailey, excom. It was suggested that the president appoint a committee to canvass the village for new members. The meeting then adjourned subject to the call of the president and secretary.

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Golden Wedding,

The many friends of Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Bryant will be interested to know that this worthy couple celebrated, their golden wedding at the Dewing Memorial Home in Revere, Monday, July 5. To this marriage warm circum its children warm of the second section of the second se were given six children five daughters, and all the daughte Miss Ruth Knowles started Monday on a two-weeks' vacation from her date much pleasure. It was the story of the play. The piper, by Joseph Bross.

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Saturday, July 20, 1918

GROTON

News Items.

Word has been received from Claude C. Farwell, who has been stationed at the naval reserve training camp in Hingham for the past three weeks that he has been transferred to the Wakefield rifle range, Wakefield, arriving there on Tuesday.

The townspeople regret exceedingly to learn that Prof. John R. Burton, principal of the high school, is to leave town after three years of faithful, efficient and successful service. Much credit is due him for his untiring effort in raising the school to a higher standard, enabling the graduates to enter other schools on their higher standard, enabling the graduates to enter other schools on their diplomas, which they have not been able to do for many years. Mr. Burton has accepted an attractive position in South Hadley, and as he and Mrs. Burton are about to sever their relations with their host of friends and acquaintances and enter upon a new field of work, they take with them the interest and best wishes of the community. What is South Hadley's gain is Groton's loss.

Fred Woods, son of Mr. and Mrs.

community. What is South Hadley's gain is Groton's loss.

Fred Woods, son of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Woods, who was to report at Camp Devens this week, left his home last Saturday afternoon about two o'clock and was last seen about four o'clock near the Red bridge, or Fitch's bridge, as it is called. His parents anxiously awaited his return, but were fearful something serious had happened to him. Sunday, a special effort was made to find him, several bodies of persons searched different ponds and localities, but were unable to find any trace of him, and it was not until Wednesday morning that his body was noticed floating in the water near Fitch's bridge. The authorities were immediately notified and the body was taken to his home on Main street. The tuneral was held on Friday afternoon.

Rev. Arthur S. Burrows, of Boston, Nev. Artnur S. Burrows, of Boston, who has been preaching at the Baptist church for several months, has accepted a call to Foxboro, where he will preach during the absence of the pastor of the church, who has gone

The Middlesex-Worcester and Wor-The Middlesex-worcester and wolcester-West Pomona Granges will hold a union picnic at Whalom Park on Friday, August 2. National Lecturer Ketchum and other good speakers will address the meeting. A box lunch will be enjoyed at noon.

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Rev. Charles H. Watson, D. D., of Boston, preached at the Baptist church last Sunday. He is expected to preach again on Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. W. M. Tyrrell were happily surprised last week by a visit from Mrs. Tyrrell's nephew, Melvin Holley, a young lawyer, located in Evanston; Ill. Mr. Holley was touring through the east with his young wife. through the east with his young wife, who had never had the pleasure of meeting the members of the Tyrrell

Miss Helen Forbes spent two days week in Leominster with friends, entertained a young lady friend Clinton over the week-end.

Elizabeth Bywater, who has been sick several weeks with an abscess in her head, has now regained her usual beatth.

Mrs. B. J. Dowling, with her two children, of Marlhoro, is spending a few weeks with her husband, chief Dowling, having rooms at the home has specified. Dowling, having rooms at the home of the Misses Hutchins on Pleasant

Miss Elsie Shattuck has returned to Miss Elsie Shattuck has returned to Groton for her summer vacation. Miss Edna Keyes has been staying a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Allen Woods

Daniel Pressey has been enjoying a visit from his sister this week. visit from his sister this week.

A postal card, dated July 14, has been received from Private William P. Stone of the J7th Machine Gun Co., Camp Hancock, Gu.

Herry Adams has purchased a new

Herry Adams has purchased a new Ford runabout.

The regular weekly drill of Co. K. 19th infantry, M. S. G., was held of Wednesday evenue, July 17, at 7,750. The company, divided into 130 years the town hall in close order work, and then for nearly an hour in the Marstreet, until the min began to fall when the near were marched breinto the hall where ten minutes of close order work was followed by spection of arms and dismissed. To battalion drill of the 3d battalion without of the 3d battalion wheld or Sunday morning, July 12 yithe Pressent hall field in Forge Village. Co. K went as d returned antempolies and reached the townall at one o'clock.

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enjoyed a trip to Bath, Me., returned

Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Sanderson have been entertaining Mr. and Mrs. Mailtand Holmes, of Lancaster.

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For his the wir saving stamps campaign in Graton over \$700 worth have been sold, exceeding its quota by \$50.

The band concert last Saturday evening was greatly enjoyed by the townspeople. The excent was pleasent, the music and attendance 1000 and the appliance hearty.

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and the applause hearty.

Mrs. Ellen Mason, who has been staying with her darakhter. Mrs. Hartshorn, in Springdeld, for the past year and a half, has returned to her home on Main street. On her return her daughter, Mrs. Farker, of Preparedle, prepared an elaborate darner in her mother's residence, where eighter mother's residence, where eighter mother's residence, where eighter grantened are glad to welcome her hack.

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Mrs. Leila Nutting has been visiting provement societ with friends in Lowell the past week.

About Town.

Mrs. E. C. Leonard and her daughters, Marguerite and Edna, left this week for a month's stay in South Hero, Vt., where they usually pass their vacations.

The Camp Fire Girls gathered to bid farewell to their leader, Mrs. Burton, Tuesday afternoon, and had a merry time. Punch and light refreshments were served and they went away sorry to leave their good friend and teacher.

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and teacher.

Mrs. Bishop and little daughter
Marion spent Monday in Milford, N.
H., with Mrs. Dora Putnam, Mrs.
Bishop's mother.

Mrs. Gauthier and her sister, Miss Ruth Blood, left Wednesday for an outing in New York.

Mr. and Mrs. Egbert Eaton are re-joicing over the birth of a daughter, born July 11. Mr. and Mrs. Burton left Wednes-day to pass a few weeks in Maine be-fore going to their new home.

Mrs. Myron Swallow is visiting her sisters in Amherst and Francistown,

Mrs. Moseley Gilson seems to be im-Mrs. Moseley Glison seems of the proving, having been able to sit up an hour and a half this week at one time. Mrs. Northrup came to town Thursday and will be near her mother. Miss Ethel Moors spent the week-end with friends in Winchendon.

Parents are requested, if they have of had their children's throats atnot had their children's throats at-tended to, to communicate with Miss Cullen, district nurse, right away.

Miss Alice Woods, of Boston, and Lewis Woods, of Buxton, Me., came to town this week to visit their parents and returned home only to be recalled to attend the funeral of their brother. Charles R. Woolley was on the Lon-donery Castle, the Red Cross ship, go-ing over, when it was torpedoed. He is now on his way back to England.

This is his third trip across. Food Committee Notices.

raine Stone, of Waltham, the past week with her is George Strachan.

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The regular meeting of

Burton Robinson, son of Mr. and Mrs. William Robinson, who has been actively engaged in gardening this summer, has reason to feel pleased with his success thus far. After having an acre of land at his home plowed and harrowed he immediately went; to work preparing the land for the seed. He has a splendid looking gars deen, free from weeds, including many kinds of vexetables. The 100 tomato plants and lettuce which he raised from the seed are doing finely. He from the seed from the seed in the chapt on Thursday afternoon of last week. Rev. William Ganley of the summer.

A party of friends, including Joseph Winslow and family, of Watertown Mr. and Mrs. Charles Chapman, of Winchester, are enjoying a week in tents at Baddacook pond.

Miss Geraldhie Lawrence, who has been staying in Stockbridge, has returned to Nahant, where her parents.

Mr. and Mrs. John Lawrence, are occupying the Abbott Lawrence cottage on Nahant road.

The band concert to be given in West Groton this Saturday developed a vacation of several days at the home of her parents on Champney street, has returned to the center last week Wednesday.

Miss Belle Patterson, having enjoyed a vacation of several days at the home of her parents on Champney street, has returned to Manchester, are colored and the home of the returned to Manchester, are of the colored and the home of her parents on Champney street, has returned to Manchester, are doding from the same town probably of the falling health of both they broke up their home a new months of sale and the home of her parents on Champney street, has returned to Manchester, N. H.

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Boston, and Henry D. Ball of Providence, R. I.

Mrs. Mellish attended the Baptist church in Shirley. She was of a retiring nature and dearly loved her home. Her life was one of christian service and she enjoyed a large circle of friends.

Mr. Mellish will remain in West Groton for a time, returning later to the home of Mrs. Peers in Peabody. Mrs. Peers remained for several days at the home of her brother.

TOWNSEND

Mrs. Charles Andrews is a guest of her sister, Mrs. Anson Spaulding. Mrs. M. E. Covell, who has been visiting at Pinehurst for several weeks returned to her home in Greenfield on Saturday.

Miss Isabel Shepherd, a recent guest of Miss Hester Burdett, left a few days ago for Fredonia, N. Y.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Mann and Charles MacDermid of Boston were week-end guests at Nissiquassick villa. Master Richard Thompson is spend-ing a few weeks with relatives in Sandwich, N. H.

Mrs. Paul Butler, with her children, s visiting her parents, Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Smith, at Walnutgrove. Mrs. Strout is a guest of ner daughter, Mrs. Proctor, in Needham.

On Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ross entertained at their home. Twinpines, a party of friends from the city Miss Hester Burdett and Miss Lil-lian Warner on Thursday made a pleasure trip to Worcester.

Mr. Palmer is playing at the Liberty theatres in the various camps throughout the country. He says many of the programs given are among the best he has ever seen. Mrs. Mary Harvey Thomas, who was a recent guest of her parents, is now at her summer home at Harwichport.

Former Cadet Willard E. Gray of Kelly field, San Antonio. Texas, has received the rank of lieutenant. A Buick motor truck has been added the equipment at Knowlton farm. or the equipment at Knowlton farm.

Dr. and Mrs. Herman Petterson have been spending several days with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hager. On Tuesday the doctor and his wife entertained Mr. and Mrs. Charles Swartz

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Ars. William Hollister and family, o have been occupying the late ances Boutwell place on Hollis eet, left town this week for their me in Buffalo, N. Y.

Catherine Miller, of Champney irret, is at Hampton Beach with Dr. i. E. Eversole and family.

Mrs. A. L. Call and two children are spending the summer in South Hero, Vt. on the shores of Lake Champlair. Mr, Call plans to spend two weeks with them later in the season.

Mrs. William Claffin, of Belmont, who has been living in the Parwell residence on School street, left town this week. Capt. Claffin, who was stationed at clamp Devens, has left for overseas.

Mrs. Gardner Trowbridge, who has lived in town since early last fail, left last week Friday for her home in Connecticut.

Thomas E. Bywater is a new tolest subscriber—212-2.

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Henry A. Fein, the high school boy of Chelsea, is working on the Knowlton farm for the government during the summer months. He says, "This labeling the summer months of the says," is the life.

Mrs. John Curtis, from Watertown, is visiting her son on the Knowlton farm. She is accompanied by Mrs. Martha Barrett of Portland, Me.

Few Words Needed.

It is declared by a philologist that nine words do one-fourth of our verbal work and 43 one-half. The nine most useful words are: And, he, have, it, of, the, to, will, you. The 34 more that with these nine do half our litary work are: About, all, as, at, can, me, day, dear, for, go, hear, her, if, me, much, not, on, one, say, she, ants, ... that, there, they, this, too, time, we. with, write, your.

Shrines to Foxes. There are numberless shrines in then dedicated to foxes. The badger shother animal feared by the superthions Japanese mind. It is believed have power to annoy people, and to able to turn into a priest at will. crying of weasles and the baying dogs are considered evil omens, and insignificant happenings send a wilder through the believers.

Thackeray Always Late.

An external stimulus sometimes is bring a writer's ideas to focus. It was the custom with Thackut off until tomorrow. He was, there- ing German babies?" ere, frequently behind with his copy all it was no uncommon thing for him keep the messenger from his pubsher waiting at the door while he wrote the last pages of the book.

Has 235 Species of Ferns. The island of Mauritius, less than

little larger than New York, has 460.

ABU-BEKR AND WILHELM.

Going back to the year of our Lord 632 by turning to a page in Gibbon's "Decline and Fall of the Roman Emideals, being temperate in all his dealwomen and children. Destroy no palm them." trees nor burn any fields of corn. Cut. down no fruit trees, nor do any mischief to cattle, only such as you kill to eat. When you make any covenant or article, stand to it, and be as good as your word." German kultur re-

The Stockholm Aftonbladet, with German sympathies, and presumably welcomed in the fatherland, prints a long article by its Paris correspondent descriptive of the innumerable American soldiers seen in France, their military railway, their vast stores, their extensive warehouses and the huge supplies that are constantly referred from their country. There is no better reading for the Germans then such literature as this. They hoped to overpower the French and British before we got there, says Philadelphia Record. We are there now, The governmental fictions about the bluff we were making are sufficiently exposed by such information as this Swedish paper provides. Does any German imagine that his country can defeat America, England, France and Italy?

right to abrogate any covenant, how-

ever sacred.

The movement is spreading over the country to drop German from public school study. The movement is not from narrow prejudice against an enemy tongue, but on account of the insidious and thorough propaganda which has been conjucted through the use of German as a language in the schools, says Baltimore American. Any thing which can in future strengthen German influence in this country ought, in view of what has been disclosed since the war, to be absolutely and permanently abolished....

The extinction of the German spirit in America will not be the work of a the Americans in America have cooperated too maleficently to make of the German-Americans a sect apart, says New Republic. But we intend to shape our social policy more intelligently in the future than we shaped it in the past, and it is not too late for intelligence to dissolve the mass of alien sentiment that now interferes with our political efficiency and threatens to blight our future progress.

There is much frivolity, much craving for luxury and fashion, much waste and indulgence, in spite of the fact that every do somewhere a telegram from the war department closes the shutters and sends finery and gewgaws into retirement. Does it take those crushing telegrams to make us conscious of the tragedy of the ages?

We have the optimism, we can stand the knocks, we maintain the rigidity of the upper lip, the bold front is our long suit, our withers are unwringable the and a total stranger are we to the wince, remarks Houston Post, but Lord how glad we shall be when our fellers begin to smash that Hindenburg line.

> The financial part of the war is not going to be nearly so difficult when all the people understand that war is no scheme to enable a body to get rich and that nobody is going to come out of the war richer than he went in.

A Swedish naturalist has discovered that ants are neither wise nor indus trious, but merely muddle-headed time wasters. And after awhile another scientist will discover that the Germans are not efficient, but merely-

The suggestion to round up the idlers, loafers and sissies and draft them in the army is not acceptable. It is a serious war the country is engaged in, and it takes real men to

Children should be seen and not heard, according to the old saw, but patriotic parents will be careful that their young hopefuls are neither seen nor heard romping over the war gar-

What has become of the old-fashioned pacifist who used to worry because the British navy was perventing us from sending milk to those "stary-

Positive Not Negative. Be one thing or the other. Don't be

a duminy for life to hang theories upon. Be a real person, with likes and dislikes, with interests and activities, with something that is positive. Be pleasant, not merely not unpleasant; be sweet, not merely not disagreeable; one-third the area of Delaware, has he good to look upon, as far as in your 235 native species of ferns; Java, a power; he well informed, as far as possible. But whatever you are, be while Brazil contains 387. All Enthant thing to the utmost. Give to rope furnishes but 67 species, the those who are around you your very Arctic zone, 28; North America, north best and unconsciously they will give of Mexico, has about 175 native spetheir very best to you. Try it and 700.

In Brace Barton's novel, "The Mak-ing of George Groton," the author snys: No one is old in New York. pire," it is found that the Caliph Abu. They drain in every year from all parts of the country—millions of men, young and Bekr not only was a democratic sort young and vibrant. They stay and of person, but possessed high work, and grow into middle age; and then suddenly they vanish. One may ings with friend and foe, says Savan- walk for blocks on Fifth avenue or nah News. When he was about to Broadway and hardly see anyone over send his Mahometan armies into Syria, fifty. Where do they go to? No one the caliph personally instructed his seems ever to die; no funerals clog ollows: "Remember that the traffic. There are plenty of fuyou are always in the presence of derals, of course, but you don't notice them as you do in a little town. I God, on the verge of death, in the assurance of judgment and the hope of woods, wondering where the birds go paradise. Avoid injustice and oppres when they die; and never yet have sion; consult with your brethren, and I run across the body of a dead bird. study to preserve the love and confi- What becomes of old birds? What bedence of your troops. Let not your comes of old New Yorkers? These are victories be stained with the blood of twin mysteries to me. I cannot unravel

Osteopathy. The word "osteopathy" is of recent origin, compounded of the Greek "os teon," a bone, and "pathos," and means literally bone suffering. -It pudiates all this, and in it stead would is, however, used to designate a sys establish for the guidance of mankind tem of healing in the sense of bone a policy of might and blood, with the cure, of treating disease without drugs propounded by Dr. A. T. Still in 1874. It is based on the belief that disease is caused by some part of the human mechanism being out of proper adjustment, as in the case of misplaced bone cartilage or ligament, adhesions or contractions of muscles, etc., resulting in unnatural pressure on or obstruction to nerve, blood or lymph. Osteopathy, through the ngency or use of the bones, seeks to adjust correctly the misplaced parts by manipulation.

First American Multimillionaire. The first American multimillionaire to attain international fame on account of his vost wealth was Stepher Girard. Of the financial dynasties of today only the Astors and Vanderbilts were represented in Girard's time, and the fortune of the distinguished Philadelphian exceeded that of Commodor Cornelius Vanderbilt or the first John Jacob Astor: Girard was worth \$9,000 this money he left to the city of Philadelphia for public purposes, and \$2,000,000 were applied to the building of a college for orphans. This institution has supported and educated tens of thousands of orphans and fitted them for their battles with the world. Girard was a free thinker.

Suez Canal Facts.

The Suez canal, planned and constructed by a French engineer and French capital, is owned and operated by a French company in which the British government holds a controlling interest, obtained in 1875 by buying the large block of stock previously owned by Egypt, for \$20,000,000. Vessels of all nations, whether armed or not, warships as well as merchant day. The Germans in Germany and ships, are allowed to pass through the canal in peace or war at a uniform rate of toll according to size or ton-nage of the vessel. The fare is 6 francs and 25 centimes, or about \$1.25 a unit of tonnage. The regulations governing the Panama canal and the rates of toll are practically the same.

Be Above Gossip.

Gossiping is about the most useless kind of work one could possibly engage in. How much better and more charitable it is to turn a deaf ear to cruel truths, to honorably keep silent about what we have heard, and at the same time give the unfortunate person in the case the benefit of our doubt. "Small wits talk much," is an old saying and a true one. The girl or woman who would be truly happy, and who incidentally would make others happy, should wisely think twice before she speaks, and then should put into words only thoughts that are cheering and charitable. New York Evening Mail.

Almost Forgotten Boy Prodigy.

William Henr the greatest of all boy actors, made his first appearance on the London stage at the Drury Lane theater, December 1, 1804. Betty, who was universally known as "the Young Roscius," was then thirteen years old. He began his stage career at the age of eleven, in Belfast, playing the roles of Osman. Young Norval and Romeo, and soon all Ireland was wild over him. His stay in Dublin ended a triumphal tour. During his engagements in Drury Lane and Garden theaters the boy re-Covent ceived \$5,000 weekly.

Automatic "Movies." In a commercial moving picture ap-paratus the scenes are made visible by daylight as well as at night, and the exhibition is automatically repeated for any period desired. A miniature theater, forming one part of the outfit, is suitable for a show window or other favorable place for display. The other part, the moving picture machine, will operate on either direct or alternate current, and after the succession of pictures has been projected the motion is reversed without attention, and the reel is rewound for a repetition of the display.

The little circle of the world you see when you are looking through the length of a tunnel is always beautiful by contrast. No matter if it is only a stretch of track with a few scrubby trees and an arch of blue sky above it, you, looking from the blackness of tunnel, think-it-a picture worthy an artist's brush. To the sick good health seems happiness enough, those who are in trouble ask nothing better than a mind free from care.

to appreciate them.

Looking Through a Tunnel.

Barrel the Only Rolling Container. A harrel can be rolled. This is its greatest merit. Bvery other shape of container which weighs over 100 pounds when filled must be lifted bodily and carried on a hand truck or by hoisting machinery. One man can unload a carload of sugar-200 barrels of it-in less than an hour.



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LITTLETON

News Items. Among the soldlers who left for France last Saturday were Milton Robbins, Lester Griffiths, Daniel Healy, Austin-Hartwell, Roger Priest and Carl Wesley.

The frame of Clarence Brown's house is up and the roof is on. Rapid developments may now be expected.

W. G. Brown's mother is ill at his

The young lad who stole Irving Wilkins' bicycle was apprehended and taken in charge by Chief G. F. Hibbard. He admitted to previous misses. bard. He admitted to previous misdemeanors for which he was on three
months' probation and because of that
fact he was sentenced to the Shirley,
Industrial school. Chief Hibbard
picked up another lad of suspicious
appearance last Saturday night, who
admitted that he had escaped from
the Industrial school in Shirley. He
was taken back shortly after his capture.

Mrs. Charles Breed of Lynn is the guest of the J. M. Hartwell's. At the local branch of the Red Cross society this past month the fol-lowing garments have been made: 200 cotton pads 8x12, 1000 compresses, 500 compress bags. Outside the wom-en have made 40 pairs of socks, 3 layetts, 6 boys' suits and 12 men's un-dershirts. dershirts.

Mrs. Hessler of Cambridge is with her brother, T. N. Ayers, and family

Benjamin F. Jeffrey, Littleton's grand old man, and for three years holder of the Post cane, passed away Thursday morning at one o'clock. He had been confined to his bed for two weeks and was in the care of his son Frederick and wife. Previous to their coming he had repeatedly refused to have a busskeeper or even a helper coming he had repeatedly refused to have a housekeeper or even a helper in the home, but prided himself of depending only upon himself. His son has done as much as possible for his comfort, and both he and his wife have kept in touch with him through frequent visits and communication with the neighbors who also have been most kind to him.

Mr. Jeffrey spent his early life in Lynn and later went to New Hampshire to live. Afterwards he moved to Groton and about fifty years ago moved to the home in Nashobah district, where he has lived ever since.

trict, where he has lived ever since.

Mrs. Jeffrey died several years ag nd about a year previous to her eath they lost their son, Rev. Charles death they lost their son, Rev. Charles L. Jeffrey, who was pastor's assistant, president of the church chorus, Sunday school teacher, and otherwise active in the Tremont Temple church. Boston, for very many years. Mr. and Mrs. Jeffrey had also three other sons, Frederick H., Frank E., and James, all enterprising, progressive men, and one granddaughter, who lived with the grandpurents during her child-hood.

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Mr. Jeffrey has been active and vigorous until within a year. Last season he planted a large garden and cared for it, but his health has been failing very perceptibly since then. He belonged to the Purltanic type of men and was honored and respected universally. Until recent years he had attended the Baptist church and helped in its support. His interests in town, and national affairs continued throughout his life and he attended town meetings habitually until very recently. His philosophy was in keeping with his type of character, of a conservative, but always oheerful nature.

Mr. Jeffrey was a good neighbor and Mr. Jeffrey was a good neighbor and and interesting conversationalist. His mind was stored with valuable memories on which he liked to reflect and could accurately relate to his interested friends.

At the time of his death Mr. Jeffrey was 98 years, 3½ months old. The funeral will be held from his late residence on, Great Road Sunday at two p. m.

two p, m. During the first year of war the army paid \$60,000,000 for horse-drawn vehicles and harness; more than \$50,000,000 for horses, mules and harness. Expenditures for the fiscal year ending June 30, 1919, for fuel and forage, are estimated at more than \$500,000,000.

New Advertisements SAILBOAT FOR SAIL 20 feet long, feet bow; steel rudder and center to feet and center of the steel rudder and center of the steel rudder. Also, Force Pump, will sell cheap. LOUIS F. LAPOINTE. East Main St., Ayer.

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LOST—A Gold Bracelet, partly engraved, Tuesday evening, between (amp Devens and Littleton, Reward, Please leave at Public Spirit Office, Ayer. CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to neighbors, friends, pastor, Benevoient Society and King's Daughters for kindness and beautiful flowers in our bereavement for our little Teddy. Mr. and Mrs. W. Lawrence Parsons.

Harvard, Mass., July 19, 1918. CARD OF THANKS We wish to thank the Veterans, aughters and Sons of Veterans for helr presence and kindly aid at the urial service of our father.

Mrs. Hattie Greeley Emery, Mrs. Charles Felch, Mrs. Harry Felch. Townsend, Mass., July 18, 1918.

CARD OF THANKS We wish to extend our sincere thanks to our many relatives, friends and neighbors, who, by their words of condolence, assisted us in our hour of bereavement; also, for the many beautiful flowers.

Luther F. Helder

ul flowers.
Luther E. Holden.
Mr. and Mrs. Frederick S. Holden.



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Saturday, July 20, 1018

AYER

News Items.

Gaynor's restraurant was placed Gaynor's restraurant was placed under the ban by the military authorities at Camp Devens, because of alleged unsanitary conditions. Military police have been constantly on guard day and night since Tuesday outside the restraurant door preventing all men in soldier's uniform from entering. Civilians, however, continue to patronize the place without hindrance.

The Bistary Rose shows have been

patronize the place without hindrance. The Bistany Bros. shows have been drawing good crowds during the week on the West Main street lot. Tuesday night one of the shows which was considerede objectionable was allowed to continue after the alleged irregular feature was discarded. A camp order, however, was issued barring all soldiers from entering the grounds and military police are on guard to carry out the edict. The city papers printed exaggerated accounts of the matter in the Wednesday editions.

Wednesday morning at 7.30 o'clock a memorial mass and prayers were said at St. Mary's church for all our soldiers and sailors who have died during the present war. Similar serv-ices will be held at the above time

Dr. and Mrs. C. A. Fox, going by automobile, are spending three days at Hampton Beach, visiting Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Proctor, who have a summer continue there. mer cottage there.

Happy Jack makes his bow to the Happy Jack makes his bow to the members of the Thrift club and informs them that he has received this week 110 thrift stamps and seven war stamps. He would ask the East Main street members why they don't come to the school building between 1.30 and 2.30 p. m. on Mondays with their contributions. They are behind all the others. the others.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker attended the demonstration of the Girl Scout Train-ing school in Boston on Thursday.

shire college, which is located in Durham for a course in mechanical instruction and the local board in his city supposed that he was there until a request was received from Camp Devens for his credentials. He was an alternate when the last quota was sent to Ayer, but was not needed and it is probable that he assumed the camp here had the first call on him; or he may have preferred a fighting branch of the service.

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branch of the service.

The Federated church pienic which took place at Sandy pond on the grounds of Guy B. Remick Wednesday was a very enjoyable event. The features of the day were boating, swimming and athletic field sports. Lunch, including temonade and watermelon, was served. Mr. and Mrs. Remick and O. K. Plerce helped to give all a good time. good time.

Chief of Police Beatty is after those who have failed to pay their dog taxes for the year ending April 1 last. The delinquents are nearly four months behind in their payments.

Married in Keir payments.

Married in Ayer, July 12, by Rev.
J. W. Thomas, Lisk Oliver, a soldier, and Gertrude Williams, of Pensacola, Fla.; July 13, Henry W. Werwaiss, a soldier, and Gertrude Auquillare, of New Haven, Conn.; July 16, Judson L. Ryan, a soldier, and Hazel L. Fevre, of Syracuse, N. Y.

At the Baptist church last Sunday evening two soldiers and their wives were baptized and received into the Baptist church by the hand of fellowship in the presence of a large audience. On Sunday morning the pastor will speak on "The fruit of the spirit." Sunday school at twelve. Service of song at 6.45 by the young people's chorus and congregation. Preaching the where he is serving in the Pioneer Information of the property division. ship in the presence of a large audiat seven by Rev. A. V. Dimock, camp pastor. B. Y. P. U. Tuesday evening at 7.30. Mid-week prayer meeting on Thursday evening at 7.30. District Court.

duty here.

William C. Curtis, of Falmouth, Mc., deputy sheriff of Cumberland county, was in town last week Friday night and Saturday searching for his son, Walter T. Curtis, who mysteriously left home on June 30. A thorough search of Camp Devens was made as well as in other places about town with Chief Beatty. The only cause assigned for the young man leaving home was despondency over financial losses. His father also visited Boston and the nearby cities, thinking that his son might have enlisted for war service, but no trace of the missing man was found. Mr. Curtis offers a reward of fifty dollars for any reliable information that would lead to the finding of the missing man.

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Herbert J. Hall, a former well-known resident of Ayer, now living in Brookline, N. H., is recuperating from a serious filness of the past winter. Mr. Hall has been an engineer on the Boston and Maine railroad for twenty-seven years. His many friends among railroad men will be pleased to hear of the improvement in his condition. Mr. Hall's son, Forrest H. Hall, a former Ayer boy, and his bride, formerly Miss Jean Winn, of this town, recently paid a visit to his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Hall, in Brookline. They were married in Boston on July 10. The younger Mr. Hall is rated as a petty officer in the pay department on the U.S.S. Georgia, where an early promotion awaits him. The many friends of the young couple extend their best wishes for a long and happy wedded life.

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The following is the program for the movies during the coming week. Monday, Ouglas P. Cheating the public. "William Fox's superb productions wednesday, Viola Dana in "Riders of the night"; Thursday, William Desmond in "The sea panther"; Friday, Norma Talmadge in "Ghosta of yesterday"; Saturday, June Caprice In The camouflage kiss.

The funeral of Mrs. Madeline P. Sargent, Miss Helen Hardy and S. Bazsett Dickerman sang "Abide with me" and "Shall we meet beyond to the direction of Mrs. Madeline P. Sargent, Miss Helen Hardy and S. Bazsett Dickerman sang "Abide with me" and "Shall we meet beyond to the direction of Mrs. J. M. Boutwell. The bearers were the four sons-in-law of the direction of Mrs. J. M. Boutwell. The bearers were the four sons-in-law of the deceased—Harry R. Waterman, Trank Crawford, The interment took place in Woodlaw energed to the first of a series of lists of Avery. The swipect of the morning sortice at the Forence and Charles Crawford. The interment took place in Woodlaw energed to the direction of Mrs. J. M. Boutwell. The series of the United States.

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Heywood Y, Billings, Battery B, 302d F, A., and Hildegarde D. Kollmarger, of Mount Pleasant Lake, N. P., were married by Rev. John B. Chaffee on July 13,

Chance on July 18.
Philip l'Huureux, son of Mr. and Mrs. John B. l'Heureux, who a short time ago enlisted in the cavalry, is now stationed at Del Rio Texas, as a member of the 313th Cavalry. Word to this effect was received from the young man this week.

Benedict Willis, son of Mr. and Mrs. George H. Willis, broke his right wrist white cranking an automobile at the Ayer Auto Station on Park street last Sunday evening.

several strokes on the fire alarm called out the department Sunday at the Violet troop in Groton is planternoon, but no fire was found. It is supposed that the lightning during the shower of the afternoon was the cause of the alarm being sounded.

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cause of the alarm being sounded.

The speaker at the Sunday evening service at the Federation House will be Rev. P. A. Nelson, Scandanavian camp pastor, and Miss N. Mabel Vella, superintendent of the White Ribbon House, will sing. There will be a social hour after the service. Billiards and pool have been installed, and preparations are being made for other attractions.

A green fiv is beginning to attack.

A green fly is beginning to attack some of the potato patches in this vicinity and will damage them unless given prompt treatment. The best remedy is "Black Leaf-40," sprayed on the under side of the leaves. A good formula is "Black Leaf-40," 1 ½ teaspoonfuls, and hard soap, two-thirds of an ounce, dissolved in one gallon of water.

The Unitarian Girls' club will give

The Unitarian Girls' club will give The Unitarian Girls' club will give a lawn party on the grounds of Rev. and Mrs. Frank B. Crandall on Nashua street, next Wednesday evening. The Lepot Brigade band will furnish the music. Mr. and Mrs. Lucius C. Fairchild will be the entertainers. A fortune teller, ice cream, tonic and candy stands are among the other attractions.

Bridgian Congress M. B. Cannard.

tractions.

Bridadier-General M. B. Stewart, formerly chief of staff of the 76th division, bade farewell to the officers at the camp this week Friday morning. He goes to Camp Dodge, Iowa, to assume similar duties.

Mrs. Susan M. Barker attended the demonstration of the Girl Scout Training school in Boston on Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. Augustus Loveloy of West Medford, former residents of this town, were here last weck-coming in their automobilie.

Aristidi Forni, who is at Camp Devons and who comes from Concord, N. H., appears to be claimed by the special training camp at Durham, N. H. He was sent to the New Hampshire college, which is located in Durham of the constant of the monument of

Lawrence E. Schoffeld, who had been connected with the state police overing the towns in the vicinity of Camp Devens, and who was realled to other duties, is again on tity here.

William C. Curtis, of Falmouth.

Monday, a man known as Jimmy Keenan was adjudged hisane and committed to the Worcester insane asylum. Keenan was captured by the Boxborough police, Sunday, in that town, the capture being the result of information given of the man's strange action by citizens of the town. His real name or home is unknown.

Theselay morning Herry R 6 Woods

Tuesday morning, Henry B. Woods, of Pepperell, was found not guilty of operating an automobile while under the influence of liquor and was ordered to be discharged from custody.

meeting at the Federation House at 7.45. Mid-week service on Thursday evening at 7.45. A social will be held McGuane, Charles O. Moss, Journal of McGuane, Charles O. Mosson, Abundance of McGuane, McGuane, Charles O. Wilson, Robert Vited. Saunders.

Girl Scout News.

A council meeting was be week Thursday in Lancaster home of Mrs. John Thayer, the missioner of the Ayer F. Council of Girl Scouts. The members, several captains from the caster and South Lancaster.

caster and South Lancaster, and Mis-Margaret Price, the local director were present. Plans for the samme were discussed and preparations being made for the Lancaster Se

and cook their dinner in the open.

Saturday, July 15, was a Field day at the Girl Scout farm camp. Thirty students from the Girl Scout training camp at Brookline came in barkes to visit the Harvard camp, accompanied by Miss Cora Nelson, national field captain, Mrs. James J. Storrow, commissioner of the Boston Council, and James J. Bradley, an experienced scoutmaster and an expert in woodcraft. Mrs. John Thayer and council members and captains from Lancaster were also present.

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Under Mr. Bradley's direction the girls chopped down trees and built a signal tower, which was held together with ropes. This required a thorough knowledge of knot tying as every good tenderfoot Scout know. Two openair fireplaces were constructed and the girls cooked a delicious dinner over the hot stones.

After July 26 more tents and cots will be available and more girls can be accommodated, but applications are coming in thick and fast and Girl Scouts who are planning to go to camp later in the summer are advised to send in their applications as soon as possible.

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the Oak troop of Ayer to suspend the Thursday meetings until September. In the meanwhile to have occasional meetings of the control of the co

Tenth Anniversary. Harbinger lodge, K. P., celebrated its tenth anniversary in its quarters in Hardy's hall on Monday evening. A fine buffet lunch was served in the banquet hall at eight o'clock, after which there was speaking appropriate to the event in the main hall. Representatives of the various fraternal lodges in town were present by invitation of Harbinger lodge. George

The committee in charge of the successful event was Frank B. Harmon, George E. Millson and Charles W. E.

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Mrs. O'Brien, wife of Robert Lincoln O'Brien, editor of the Boston Herald, and Miss O'Brien are volumteer workers at the War Camp Community Service. Miss O'Brien is at present a helper in the publicity department. Mrs. O'Brien has taken the H. F. Grout cottage in Shirley Center for the summer.

George Burdett, the well-known Boston organist, has become a mem-ber of the War Camp Community Service music committee. It is the intention of the music committee to give next season a fine series of con-certs. Mr. Burdett will help in the arrangements. The condul response from musicians for these concerts is most gratifying to the music commit-

Miss M. Sylvia Donaldson, of Brock-Miss M. Sylvia Donaldson, of Brockton, has accepted the position as hostess at the Girls' club on Washington street. The position was formerly held by Mrs. Agnes Gould. Miss Donaldson is district principal of three large schools, Goddard, Keith and Grove, all in Brockton. She is a volunteer worker, without sharp, and paying her own expenses. She returns to Brockton early in September.

The cafeteria of the Schiers' club.

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The cafeteria of the Soffiers' club on West street has been enlarged and entirely remodeled. It now includes the old cafeteria and a new room connecting the main had with the service rooms. The new room was made by taking out the south wall and building on behind the stage of the auditorium. Facing the hall is a double service stand with all the modern appliances. rooms. The new room was made by taking out the south wall and building on behind the stage of the auditorium. Facing the hall is a double service stand with all the modern appliances to rapidly serve lunch or dinner. In the kitchen there is new a large range

President Woodrow, Wilson, fully realizing this deep truth saild of the War Camp Community Service, "A military and social necessity." For the work of the War Camp Community Service is first, last and always to help the enlisted man when off duty to make life pleasanter for him and for those who dome to see him at his work of learning to be a soldier.

In April, 1917, Secretary Newton D. Baker appointed the War Department Commission on Training Camp Activities, and Secretary Josephus Damels

Baker appointed the war Department Commission on Training Camp Activities, and Secretary Josephus Pamels appointed the Navy Department Commission on Training Camp Activities. Raymond B. Fosdick was appointed secretary of both.

These commissions called on the Young Men's Christian Association, the Knights of Columbus, the Jewish Welfare Board, and the American Library Association to learny on their work inside the camps. They called on the Recreational Association of America to carry on their work outside and contiguous to the camps under the official name of War Camp Community Service.

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working inside the camps, were ask ed to provide for the soldiers' leisure time suitable recreation, opportuni-

ed to provide for the soldiers' leisure time, suitable recreation, opportunities to learn useful accomplishments not provided by the military curriculum, and to create facilities for the individual life of the soldier.

War Camp Community Service was asked to organize and to co-ordinate the social forces of the communities additional life of the communities and to co-ordinate the social forces of the communities and to co-ordinate the social forces of the communities additional life of the camps. War Camp Community Service was asked to help the enlisted men to provide him with a daily program containing all the essentials of a full rich life, and to see, as far as possible, that he is protected against the elements of corruption and degreedation.

The responsibility of War Camp Community Service, so fully realized by President Wilson in his words, "A military and social necessity," is to protect the soldier in, his own independent right to enjoy his leave of absence healthfully, and to extend to him the hospitality a self-respecting man might desire.

War Camp Community Service, was taken seriously ill with appendicitis Wednesday morning. Her parents were notified and same in automobile and took her home.

Several from here have been attending the Chautauqua meetings in Clinton this week.

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Mr. and Mrs. Malcolm Campbell and baby were recent callers on friends in Still River.

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soldier to hear concerts, lectures, to have a pleasant place to read, to write letters, and opportunities to meet so-claily people worth meeting, has also another side to its activities not shar-

another side to its activities not shared by any of the other organizations invited by Secretary Baker and Secretary Daniels to provide for the soldier's leisure time.

War Camp Community Service, working diside the camp must meet the problyms presented by hundreds, often the distance of people coming suddenly into a town where formerly there was only a village community.

A military camp is in itself a city to which thousands of people go every week. The War Camp Community Service manager must be ready at a moment's notice to meet

diers to find whatever the individual may be seeking.

In the cafeteria or restaurant are needed from five to seven or more waitresses and on special occasions, such as dances or large assembles, the number may easily be twenty or more. Eack of the cafeteria comes the cheft and his assistants, dish washers and scrub-women. In the large hall are the general men who do anything from sweeping a floor to running endizes errands; soda fountain checkers are also needed. Whatever the work, it must be done by competent people, for the unexpected is the rule in War Camp Community Service work and often these many individuals are needed to work under high procesure.

nity Service in Ayer, there was every indication of a quiet Sunday morning, when suddenly in came fifty neo-

ling, when suddenly in came fifty neople to be followed later by many more. By noon the clubhouse was packed and the cref with his assistants was providing food for this unexpected arrival of guests.

On another occasion 600 were expected and 1000 or more came. At two hours' netice it was necessary to provide for these added guests. Voiunteer workers were kept busy runders. inteer workers were kept busy running errands, terrowing, hunting for necessaries. At the end of two hours the thousand were provided for. Along with the unexpected vided for. Along with the unexpected must go the regular work, a definite number to be fed such day, dances to be arranged for each week, concerts to be planned but carried through, moving picture evenings, dramatic evenings, be it what it may, it must be carefully planted by the executive head and his assistants with an eye to the future we conclude years in to the future ess onotony creeps in ttal to work defi-nelp men to enjoy

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four camps, forts that are within led commuting dis-york. There have what might be

been times when considerably more than 200,669 men have been in train-ing in camps located adjacent to New York.

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on of 50,000 Gai, which has a population of 50,000, had the number of people in the district almost doubled over night when a camp was located at its very door.

With these facts in mind it must be conceded there is a war camp problem and the words of President Willson, when speaking of the War Camp son, when speaking of the War Camp in, when speaking of the War Cami son, when speaking of the war the Community Service, "A military a social necessity," are indeed true.

HARVARD

Still River. Charles Thorning's father and sis er have been visiting him at A. A. Hutchinson's.

Bernice Walker is attending a bus-ness college in Worcester,

Mrs. Walter Haskell has been en-tertaining her father from Nashua, N. H. He is convalescing from a serious illness

Mr. and Mrs. Andrew Walker have heard from their son Willis, who has arrived over there with the army. He is the second of their sons to be in the fighting line and another son Milton goes into the service in a few days.

Harry Edson and family were tak-ing a vacation trip in their automobile and when crossing the Connecticut river near Northfield the rear axle of their car broke, so they had to return home by train Wednesday. A. A. Hutcherson has purchased a new Chalmers 1918 seven-passenger hot spot car of Yates' garage, Ayer.

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ave, the undersigned, wish to thank our many friends and neighbors who showed their sympathy through kind and helpful deeds during the illness of our dear wife, and mother, and in our recent bereavement, especially to the singers and all who sent floral offerings as a last loving tribute to her memory. memory. . CHARLES E. CRAIG and Family.

and Family Ayer, Mass., July 18, 1918. PETITION OF THE AYER ELEC-TRIC LIGHT COMPANY FOR POLE AND WIRE LOCATIONS To the Board of Selectmen of Ayer

Massachusetts: Respectfully represents Ayer Electric Light Company that it desires to construct a line of poles, wires and

als are needed to work under space for one cross-arm at a sui high pressure.

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I motored from the Manorway

The chauffeur had to go at a

gate of the arsenal to the entrance of

the danger buildings and returned just

as the night shift was going in to

snall's pace, blowing his horn continu-

ally. The broad roads which run be-tween the buildings were crowded

from side to side, swarming with work-

ers, principally women. They had to crowd together at the sde of the road

to make room for the car to pass.

These women were going in on a 12

hour night shift—some whose work would be purely mechanical, others

who would have difficult operations to

perform and many who worked in act ual danger.

Those who were going to the hulld

ings from which I had just come know

that unless they took the utmost care

there was danger of an explosion, and

had a night and a succession of nights

and days to look forward to when they

tions the government can provide.

vast mob of faces nodded to me or a

WOULD-BE ECONOMY FOILED

Saving Wifey Recalls That She Gave

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Hull Consists of Two Parallel Cylindrical Shells Joined Throughout Length by Diaphragma.

The French government has contracted with the Foundation company which is building wooden ships for the Emergency Fleet corporation, to turn out for it five curgo "nonsinkable ships" of 4,200 tons dead weight. The hull of these ships, says the

New York Sun, is to consist of two parallel cylindrical shells joined throughout their length by a series of heavily braced diaphragms. Each cylindrigal shell is divided not only into watertight compartments by transverse bulkhends, but also is isolated ontirely from the adjoining shell and from the sealed space between the two. The latter space, which has a watertight bottom and deck, is not used for cargo, but is provided solely for reserve buoyancy.

"It should not be called an unsink able ship," said Mr. Boero. "I would call it rather one of the less sinkable ships. It is seldom that a ship has received more than one torpeds. It is extremely improbable that a ship will be struck by torpedoes on both sides. We have tested an experi-mental design thorougher at Parls, and have found it entirely satisfac-The space required for the special hull construction does not materially lessen the bulk of cargo that We are convinced can be carried. that the ship will keep affoat after it has been torpedoed."

WARNS AGAINST WASTING AIR

Southern Pacific Railway Company Cites Attention of Employees to a Real Expense.

"Don't waste the air." This injunction, indicating the passing of the last free commodity known to man, has been added to the conser vation program of the Southern Pacific, says Financial America. The attention of thousands of workmen in the railroad shops at Los Angeles, Sacramento and Oakland is being directed to the fact that compressed air, used to drive many machines and tools, represents a real expense. In fact, the "high cost of air" is giving the company economists some concern.

G. W. Rear, general bridge inspec tor for the company, estimates that half-inch leak in a compressed-air tank will offset the work of a 75horse power engine and the cost of a horse power varies from less than a cent to 30 cents per hour, depending upon the size of the plant, amount of attendance, etc. Usually the loss is greater than the money cost, due to decreased output on account of insuf-

ficient air supply.

The expression "free as air," has no relevancy in the Southern Pacific

Building the City. The new and better world after the war, of which we dream these days, will not build itself any more than the rubble which marks the site of Ypres or Louvain will come together of itself into beautiful and splendid buildings, observes a writer. It will take time and struggle and infinite patience, and if men and women are not willing to pay the price of a new and better world, such will not come merely because they have airy visions of Much of our talk about better things to come is too cheap and easy and has not enough of grip and purpose to make it worth much. What God is giving us, and will give us in those great after-the-war days, is a wonderful opportunity, but we shall have to meet that opportunity with heroic endeavor and self-sacrificing effort before it can possibly become fruitful. Talk is cheap and dreams are sweet and inspiring, but it is not with these alone that the Kingdom of God s builded in the earth and mankind is won for righteousness and brother-

Cement From Beet Sugar.

hood.

A result of experiments in French factories is the production of an excellent cement as a by-product of beetsugar refining. The first step in the production of sugar from beets is bolling them. It has heretofore been customary to throw away as valueless the scum formed on the caldrons. But it has now been discovered that this scum contains large quantities of carbonate of lime. It is estimated that 4.000 tons of the carbonates can be recovered from 70,000 tons of beets To this quantity of the carbonate 1,100 tons of clay is added, the resultant product being a good cement. The best seum is pumped into large reservoirs and allowed to evaporate for a certain length of time before being mixed with the clay. It is then stirred or beaten for an hour before being fed into rotary ovens such as are used in making Portland cement.-The Argo-

The Sailor's Widow.

How many people realize the enormous amount of mourning caused every time one of our ships goes down. But few of the heroes of the sea return disabled to live at home in peace. It is sheer luck or widowhood for the sailor's wife. It is some comfort to know that several funds provide generously for the widows of the sea, especially for those with bubles; and it is touching to learn that the major then sticks to him, co-operating is part of these funds is raised by voluntary suffscriptions among the crews tinizing all settlements. The honest who take a great pride in the knowledge that their "mess" cuts a good figure in the subscription lists to sailors' charities.

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The original Gotham was an old parish and village in Nottinghamshire. England, the inhabitants of which are reputed to have shown their wisdom by playing the fool in order to dis- own bodies. They know that unloss through their town, and thus save ed occasionally it will not run jothem the expense of maintaining and erly. How often do they think of " entertaining him. The city of New importance of caring for their human, York was first called Gotham by Washington Irving ("Salamagundi," 1807), est tension, feed it on stale air and in allusion to the pretentions to wisdom of its inhabitants.



INJURY DONE BY INJECTIONS

Freatments Are Entirely Without Mer it in Controlling Either Insects or Diseases.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Claim is occasionally made, in circular matter issued by financially interested persons and in other ways, of the efficacy in insect and disease control of substances or compounds inserted into holes bored into trees or placed under the bark. Wonderful results have been claimed in some in-



injury to Apple Tree Resulting From Injection Under Bark of Cyanid Mix-

stances from such treatments, and some orchardists and numerous owners of a few yard trees have been in duced to have their trees "inoculated." The purpose of this paragraph is to advise fruit growers and others that such treatments are entirely without merit in controlling insects and diseases and are often decidedly injurious to the trees treated. The illustration shows the injury to trees resulting from placing under the bark small quantities of a compound containing odium cyanid, common sait, and cer tain other ingredients.

RIGHT PLAN FOR MARKETING

Better Understanding Between Farm er and Commission Merchant is Mutually Beneficial.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) Teamwork between the farmer and

his agent, the commission merchant, will clear up many a cloud of misunderstanding that frequently results in needless losses for which the middle man is held responsible.

While many striking cases have proven that too often there have been betrayals of trust on the part of city dealers to whom farm products have consigned, it is doubtful if it could be demonstrated that all the shortcomings of the commission business as now conducted are the fault of the merchant. Marketing farm products through the commission house is a partnership affair, and no partnership can be a complete success unless each partner does his best and is willing to make it possible for the other to work to best advantage.

Too often the commission man is used as a last resort and products undesirable on the home market, either because of their low grade or because of a weak market, are dumped on the city market.

For those who contemplate the use of commission men as marketing agents the following suggestions are

offered: 1. Know your agent. Select one who has a reputation backed by experience, an advantageous location and competent help. A personal visit will help the farmer in deciding these

2. Know your market. From your carefully selected agent learn the needs of the market, most desirable varieties to raise, proper containers in which to pack and ship, style of pack most desired, the use of labels or brands, proper amounts an! time of shipment, and local preferences.

3. Make regular shipments. Keep your city agent regularly supplied with what his trade will take, thereby helping him to stabilize the business in which you are both concerned.

4. Keep each other informed. Surcessful shippers make frequent use of the telegraph or long-distance telephone to keep agents post 1 as to changes in shipments. The agent should also keep the shipper in smell as to any changes in requirements of the market.

Avoid frequent chatches agents. While it may be wise und certain conditions to check one or by the sales of another, the most cessful consigner is the one will lects an agent with great care atevery possible way and carefully same agent is glad to do his part it, ea h teamwork and welcomes the most exacting examination of his methods.

Human Machinery.

We have headaches and colds, not at all realizing our body is in need

of some good, pure oxygen. Mechanics take much better care their machinery than they do of their King John from passing the machine is cleaned, oiled and rest machinery? They run it at the highimproper food and then become sur prised if it runs down. ..

NIGHT AND DAY IN LONDON HAY MAKING COSTS REDUCED

Tollers Work Along Just the Same System and Efficiency in This impor Through All Hours, Making Mu-initions of War. tant Operation Increase Quality and Quantity.

The war seems to have done away (Prepared by the United States Depart-ment of Agriculture.) with the difference between night and day. The period of rest and the pe The hay crop causes more worry, anxiety, and disappointment than any riod of exertion seem to have merged themselves into one long period. other crop. It is the most widely grown crop on farms devoted to gen- look out on the river at two or three in the morning and it is us busy as th eral agriculture; the time for harvestriver at midday, writes Grace Boyn ing is comparatively short and hayton Monks in the Outlook. Barges are making cannot be postponed without a being towed up and down and goods consequent loss of quality and quanbeing shipped from the wharves. Huge tity. In many sections there are other crops that require attention about the vans rattle along the road beneath my window and the streets are as full of time that the hay should be made, and people at night as they are in the dayoften there is small grain to be cut, corn to be cultivated, and hay to be time. At Woolwich arsenal there are two made, all at once. Labor is not only 12-hour shifts and as much work is scarce but expensive. And there is done by night as by day. The other



Annual Value of Hay Crop in United States Is Over One Billion Dollars.

the weather to be reckoned with, a factor that has a very important hear would be breathing in yellow powder ing upon quality and one over which in spite of vells and all the precau the farmer has no control.

Hay has been quite steadily increas knew them by their yellow/hair and ing in acreage for a number of years, faces. Occasionally a head in the until at the present time it occupies about one-sixth of the tilled area on hand waved, for I have many friend: farms in the United States, and has among them. an annual value on the farm, unbaled, of over \$1,000,000,000. There are no statistics on the actual cost of produc ing the total annual crop, but it has been roughly estimated that it costs \$125,000,000 or more to harvest this enormous tonnage.

A reduction of even a small per cent in this cost would add millions to the profits of the hay growers of this country. Such a reduction can be brought about only by the use of modern haying muchinery and of methods of making hay best suited to conditions.

REDUCTION OF FIRE LOSSES

Lightning Does Damage in United States to Extent of About \$8,000,000 Yearly.

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

Lightning, especially in rural districts, is a source of great danger and is responsible for the loss of valuable property. The annual fire loss due to lightning in the United States averages about \$8,000,000, and by far the greatest part of this loss is in rural districts. The only protection against it is the lightning rod. Many people hold the opinion that lightning rods do not protect a building at all, and that they actually increase the danger if they are not properly installed. But it is now definitely known that they afford some protection in almost every case, and if they are installed properly and intelligently they reduce the risk of loss from lightning to an almost negligible quantity. From such statistics as are available regarding damage from lightning in parts of the United States and Canada where thunder storms are frequent, it has been found that properly installed rods reduce the probability of a barn being destroyed by lightning by something like 99 per cent, and of a house by as much as 80

Farmers' mutual fire insurance comsome instances take cognizance of the protection afforded by on rodded buildings, while others only insure buildings which are rodded in a manner satisfactory to them. Such reductions will soon pay for the cost of installation of the proper rods. In view of the fact that lightning is one of the greatest causes of fires in the rural districts, all companies which which are protected by a satisfactory system of lightning rods, and the owners of such buildings should be careful select a company which grants such reductions.

APPEARANCE OF NEW WEEDS

Report Should Be Made to Take Necessary Precautions to Prevent Their Dissemination.

pared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) the first appearance in this counf weeds, such as Russian thistle, hawk-weed, and Canada thistles, been reported, much of the loss trouble which they are causing have been avoided. It is imand to report the appearance of weeds and to take precautions to at their dissemination.

Must Have Bone. Just as bone in a horse is essential the wer, so is bone in the chicken es-

ential to good body development. Common Calf Disease. Diarrhea, or scours, probably is the most common disease of calves.

Beneficial Shorebirds.

All the shorebirds are strikingly beneficial in their food habits. The laughter of these game birds deprives the farmer of valuable allies against of the worst crop pests. Such take less insect food than the Shorebirds, yet all of them do a ceramount of good, Even hawks and wis have a bad name which for the st part is undeserved, it is said, and indiscriminate persecution of these birds is a serious mistake.

ATTACK ON TICK

VATS IN ACTIVE OPERATION

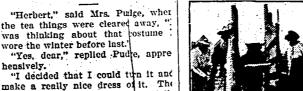
Real Results Achieved Through Patri otic Action of Owners, Who Are Willingly Driving Cattle Through Disinfectants.

The first action in this year's effort to free 100,000 more square miles of Southern territory from cattle tick and had come from one of the group precostly fever tick began with the first warm days of spring when 1,250,000 signal, a warning with which every cattle in 275 counties in the South be cattle in 275 counties in the South be-gan their forinightly march to the strangers had suddenly intruded. One dipping vats.

are actively in operation, and these pointed to Blair. vats if placed end to end would meas ereded to oppose the costly army of are 285 inspectors of the United States | defense department of agriculture, 280 state inspectors and 1,000 county inspectors, all working in co-operation

Achieve Real Results.

deadly tick fever. These ticks if left



shabby, you know." "Turn. Of course, it would turn dear," agreed Pudge, with some thuslasm. "You're such a clever little needlewoman. No, I am not flattering. And, as you say, your other dress is a trifle on the down grade. Why, we'll be able to save money at least by that Mrs. Pudge shook/her head sadly

and guilefully. "There," she remarked, "your mem ory is just as bad as mine. I'd quite forgotten that I have the dress to Cousin Lizzle this saring; so I'm afraid that saving scheme must wait. Isn't it a nuisance, Herbert?"

And Herbert gave the ottoman a savage kick and told the clever little woman to stop her chattering.

City Dweller and the Tin Can. "Here is an astonishing fact," writes Harry S. Stabler in Everybody's, which the proper authorities will verify for you:

"Thirty per cent of the business of the wholesale grocers of the entire country is in canned goods. In the wholesale houses of New York, Chicago, Philadelphia and other large cities, foods make up 40 per cent of the business.

"The fact is that, if you were to take the tin cans out of any city of the first or second class, the inhabitants would begin to starve a lightning rods and make substantial once. That means, of course, that reductions on the premiums charged those cities could not have grown so large without food conserved in tins.

One-Man Pontoons.

Building bridges under fire, the greatest ordeal that the army engicers of other campaigns were subected to, bids fair to go out of fashion. In future a regiment going across insure farm property against fire a stream will, if a recent invention should make a considerable reduction meets with approval, merely wade into of premiums in favor of buildings the stream and drift across, meantime utilizing both hands to manipulate his ritle.

The new invention is a sort of glori fied "water wings" arrangement and is adapted to the fording of deep streams without the necessity of bridge building. The encircling buoy is blown up by the soldier. It holds him upright in the water with his shoulders and arms clear of the surface. In experiments recently conducted a man made several bull'seyes on a target 300 yards away while floating across the stream.

Skeptical of German Starvation.

The latest "well-informed" and anonymous correspondents who obligingly give us a picture of food conditions in Germany do not add anything material to previous stories of the kind. We are not greatly impressed by the reported offer of a ham for £11; "well-informed neutrals" have provided us with much higher quotations in the past. Judging by the way in which Berlin has consistently been reported to be starving since the autumn of 1914, the Boche must by now have acquired the art of living entirely on air-or "substitutes."-London Globe.

Writer's Cramp.

Writer's cramp is a disease to which hose who do much writing are liable toward middle age, and a person af-flicted with it has no complete control over the muscles of the thumb, middle and forefinger. The typewriter has proved the best resource of those who suffer from the aliment.

Under Control.

Willis-"Bump says he lost control of his car yesterday." Gillis-"That's right. The sheriff has it now."-Judge,

BEGUN IN SOUTH

Miles of Concrete Dipping Trenches Opposed to This Army of Parasites.

(Prepared by the United States Depart

Twenty-three thousand dipping vats

The real results, however, are achieved through the patriotic determination of thousands upon thou-sands of cattle owners who willingly are driving their cattle through the dipping vats each fortnight. They have come to realize how great is the toll they have been made to pay to the tick and are particularly anxious to get rid of this meat-wasting parasite this year when meat is so important

With warm weather the tiny tick eggs laid last fall in the grass hatch out and the hahy ticks get on the cattle to suck blood and to give them



Cattle Entering Dipping Vat.

alive long enough to mature and lay eggs multiply prodigiously. The dip-smile. ping in the vat each fortnight catches these newly hatched ticks before they have got to the egg-laying stage.

No More Ticks. After a few months of dipping there are no more live ticks to lay eggs and no more eggs left to hatch out in the grass. Cows and steers instead of turn-

additional counties of the South will tograph on the medicine stand. be freed from this pest. At the rate tick eradication is now going, officials of the department believe that in 1921 the South will be practically free of cattle ticks and will have come into its own as a cattle-raising section.

PROPAGATE WEEDS BY SEEDS

duced in Large Numbers Along Roadsides, Fence Rows, Ditch Banks and Waste Places.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.)

Many weeds are propagated only by seeds. Weed seeds are produced in large numbers along roadsides, fence rows, and ditch banks, in vacant fields, and in waste places, and the seeds are scattered by wind, water, birds, and other agents. By cutting the weeds before the seeds are sufficiently mature to germinate, an enormous amount of trouble and labor and loss could be avoided: but only the moprogressive farmers do this.

~<u>;~;~;~;~</u> MAINTAIN FOOD SUPPLY

It will not be too much to ask ble-bodied men with farm exberience to aid the farmers in he necessary task of maintaining the food supply.-Secretary of Agriculture.

Can the Cockereis.

poultry clubs.

Can the cockerels when it no longer pays to feed them, is the advice the United States department of agriculture is giving to the boys and girls of

Odd.

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Harker-"Your friend Lambley is ather an odd chap, isn't he?" Parker "Yes-result of a plunge in the stock market a few years ago." Harker-"How's that?" Parker-"He falled to come out even."

Kerosene.

To remove paint from the hands or wearing apparel wet in kerosene and wash at once.

KNIGHTS OF ROAD

By MELLICENT BLEYER. (Copyright, 1918, by Western Newspaper Union. "Well, that's the limit! What's

come over you-gone clear daffy?" Coarse-grained and hoarse-throated is he was, there was more of wonder than ridicule in the tones of Big Reddy, professional hobo. It was at the camp of a group of wandering ones that Reddy had come across Mystery Blair gazing fixedly at a photograph. With a quick flush Blair thrust the picture out of sight.

"Just honest admiration of a pretty face," was the reply given, with a forced laugh. "I had quite un adventure last evening and the original of that picture had a part in it.

"Hello-there's trouble! Make for cover!" spoke Reddy sharply. There paring breakfast a birdlike cry, a wore an official badge. "That's the man," spoke his companion, and he

Instantly there was the closing in ure 100 miles of concrete trenches of the circle. The presentment was that of the law against a comrade the cattle tick. In charge of the vats The group were staunch and loyal for "This is no arrest," announced the

marshal. "No, it is just contrary," added his companion. "I would like to have you accompany me to my office," he ad

dressed himself to Blair. "You were something better than a hero last night. As legal ndviser of Miss Ina Trescott, whose life and property you saved, I am asked to talk over mat ters with you."

"I don't see the use," replied Blair "I'm glad if I did all you say."

"He did something, you can count on that!" broke in blg Reddy, "for he tossed all night with that burned hand of his."

Mystery Blair for a moment looked as though resentful of patronizing or reward. Then his hand closed on the half-burned photograph in his pocket In the current of unusual circumstances, he decided to allow it to drift him whither it would.

He had been dubbed "Mystery" Blair by his comrades. He had joined the hobo contingent one day, asking the favor of companionship and variety, telling them he had made a failure of business life and envied them their unconventional existence The evening previous, passing charming little bungalow, Blair had

seen smoke and flames issuing from its front. Cries for help echoed from the interior. He had burst in a locked door. Continued cries for deliverance nerved and guided him. He came upon a young girl lying upon a couch, evidently an invalid. Blair seized counter-pane, wrapped her up in it and breasted the blaze. Neighbors had gathered and he had placed the girl in their charge. Then the mem-ory of that confiding face, the soft, clinging arms, seemed an ideal, forcing him to further effort.

Three hours after the call at the hobo camp Mystery Blair was a new being in appearance. The lawyer had insisted not only on medical attention but a complete rehabilitation.

"You're spoiling me for the road," Blair had remonstrated, with a quiet "Why hit it again?" challenged the attorney. "I fancy, Mr. Blair, that line is not your natural bent. Again, we must be presentable when we call

upon Miss Trescott." When he was in the presence of the fair young girl, just recovering from spell of sickness, and her hand lingered gratefully in his own; there into ticks, turn all of it into milk and stirred within him new and vivid emotions. He had arisen to depart when By December 1 it is hoped that 125 his eye fell upon a little framed pho-

"Will you pardon me," he spoke interestedly, "but I have seen this young

man, I am sure." "Oh, Mr. Devon!" instantly cried Miss Trescott, greatly excited, "tell Can it be possible, that at him!

last—" The lawyer silenced her eager rev elations with a gesture. He took up the photograph and led Blair into an adjoining room. It was a graphic story that he related-of wild, reckless Julian Trescott, the brother of Ina, getting into trouble foolishly, flecing from friends who could protect him and losing himself among tangled

highways.

Blair recalled the original of the picture. He was sure that nearly a year back he had met its owner in his wanderings. He was sure of it when showed the picture to Reddy. "You know every knight of the

road," Blair said to him. "Can this one be found?" "It would take some financing and it may be a long, long trail," submitted Reddy, and this was provided for and two months later Blair reappeared

with the brother of Ina. Blair had bade good-by to the road and his old hobo comrades. As Walthem Blair, author, he now set about utilizing the experience he had gone through. He was at the new Trescott

home one day. "Miss Trescott," he said, "I am glad to say that I have made arrangements for the publication of 'The World's Highway.' It was my first meeting with you that gave its plan an im-

"I am glad," spoke lovely lips and еуев. "And later love made me successful

in my ambition, love for you," he said. "She Stoops to Conquer."

"She Stoops to Conquer" grew out of an incident that occurred in Goldsmith's travels about Ireland. He found himself one night far from home and inquiring the way to an inn, some wag directed him to a gentleman's private residence. There he went, ordered out his horse, demanded the best supper the place afforded and generally gave himself airs. He did not discover his mistake until the next morning when he was about to pay

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court.
To the helies at law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of ALICE M. SPAULDING late of Townsend in said County, deceased.
Whereas, certain instruments purporting to be the last will and testament—and one codicil—of said deceased have been presented to said Court, for Probate by T. JAMES HARVEN who prays that letters tostamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-second day of July A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.
And said petitioner is hereby directed to give publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be 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 estate, fourteen day's at least before said Court.

Court.
Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire,
First Judge of said Court, this twentysixth day of June in the year one
thousand nine hundred and eighteen.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.

To the heirs at law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of JOHN E. HOSMER late of Ayer in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for probate, by JOHN R.-HOSMER. and LORETTA HOSMER GRAVES who pray that letters testamentary may be issued to them, the executors therein named, without giving a surety on their official bond.

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

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SELECTION OF ORCHARD SITE

vorable Location-Peaches Favor Light Soils,

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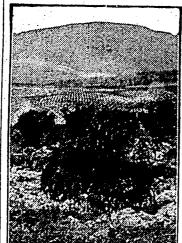
Too much emphasis cannot be placed upon a suitable location and site of the peach orchard, because a faulty choice of either may be fatal to future financial success. Some mistakes in planning an orchard may be overcome as the trees develop, but a poor location or site cannot be changed.

It is the current opinion that the peach should be planted on sandy or some of the lighter types of soil. Excellent results may follow the planting of orchards on such soils, but peaches do well also on a wide range of soil types, including even some of the moderately heavy clay loams and clays. But whatever the type, a soll must be thoroughly well drained. Peaches will not succeed on poorly drained soils. The heavy clay types which are so hard and impervious that water does not percolate through them readily are to be avoided. Moreover the soil should be moderately fertile. One very rich in nitrogen is not desirable as a general rule, since it may

induce an excessive growth of foliage, Where alkali soils occur, they should be avoided. While the peach tree can be grown where there is a limited amount of the alkali salts, they cause disaster if present in large quantities. It is safer, therefore, to avoid them

as far as possible. Generally a site that is elevated considerably above the surrounding areas is to be preferred for a peach orchard. Cold air settles to the low er levels. For this reason it is often colder at the lower elevations than it is at higher points. The occurrence of frost in low places when there is none on elevated areas is thus ex-During the past few years the importance of selecting relative-ly high sites for peach orchards in order to avoid the effects of unfavortemperatures has been emphatically demonstrated in many different parts of the country.

When an orchard has a site adjacent to a body of water of sufficient size and depth to have an appreciable influence on the local climate, the importance of a relatively high elevation largely disappears. Because water warms up in the spring more slowly than the atmosphere, it acts in effect



Well-Drained Are Usually Admirably Adapted for Peaches.

perature in its immediate vicinity colder than at points somewhat distant from it. Vegetation within the zone of this influence advances more slowly in the spring than it does outside of that zone. The tendency is for the blossoming of peach trees within the zone to be delayed until after the season of spring frosts is

In the fall, frosts are delayed. The water, having absorbed much heat during the summer, cools off in the fall more slowly than the atmosphere and tends to keep the temperature within its zone of influence warmer

than it would otherwise be. The slope factor is largely one of de-Peach trees on a site having a very steep southern slope will usually blossom and the fruit will ripen some what earlier than on a corresponding northern slope, but where the differences in slope are only moderate their relative influence on the time of blosoming and ripening is not very marked.

Aside from economic factors, temperature probably is the most decisive limiting factor in the distribution of commercial peach growing. Usually the fruit buds are the first to suffer The condition of the buds with regard to their strength, vitality, and perfect dormancy, the duration of the critical temperature, the climatic conditions amount of moisture in the air during the period, and other factors all have an influence.

Victims of Epifepsy. The names of Caesar, Mahomet, Napoleon and Byron spring to mind as among the almost innumerable list of illustrious men who have suffered Cassius tell his hearers that "Caesar

Japanese Superstition. The Japanese have many curious superstitions about animals, the chief event of a lifetime, two stammering among which is their belief in the supernatural power of foxes.

hath the falling sickness."

FROCK FOR MISS SIMPLICITY



This is a pretty hand-embroidered mpire dress for Miss Simplicity to wear when she goes calling. is caught into bows at the sides and is designed to match the hair ribbon.

TO MAKE RIBBON SWEATERS

From Nine Hundred to One Thousand Yards of Material Required for Sieeveless Garment

It would seem as though there wa any amount of knitting being done for personal adornment besides that which the women are doing for the soldiers. It is hard to understand, writes a fashion correspondent, judging from the amount of work that the women are turning out for patriotic purposes, where they find the time to work for themselves, but there are, nevertheless, all kinds of new designs and stitches being talked about that have no place in the knitting outfits of the

You have doubtless seen or heard of the sweaters made of narrow ribbon and if, perchance, you have not seen them you may be interested in knowing that while the ribbon is narrow and of the width usually referred to as baby ribbon the texture of the rib-

as baby ribbon the texture of the ribbon does not in the least resemble the satin baby ribbon, but is of a loose weave and crinkled in appearance.

I have been told by those who make these sweaters that it requires from you to 1,000 yards to make one of the sleeveless ribbon sweaters; thus one must draw the conclusion that these are not inexpensive affairs. Anyway, they are lovely to look at and many of us will have to be broadminded enough to be content with looking. It is very seldom that one sees one of these ribbon sweaters that is made entirely of the plain knitting stitch; while part of the sweater may be plain, the design is varied by a border done in plain and purl at the shoulders and the lower part or at the waistline. There is one of these which has been very popular with the entire sweater made by knitting four and purling four. This rule of varying the design of the sweater also holds good for those made of wool.

Bush been a visitor in the home of Mr. Merch and Mrs. J. R. Smith, and purling four. This rule of varying the design of the sweater also holds good for those made of wool.

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Old Favorite Now Passe, According to Some of the Leading Shoo Style Authorities.

In style there's the oxford of first importance—the oxford with a low, mannish heel or with modified Cuban tainous District-Ridges Which Are for walking and service wear. It has

Parisian Bedroom Negligee, Brought Mrs. Higgins. Over by War Workers, Finds Favor in America.

The house of Paquin invented bell, of Boston bell, of Boston bert Finnern. a medieval garment with square sleeves. It was made of satin, trim of Milton, N. H med with lace and fur, and slipped on over the head after the fashion of with Mile Spa a Chinese tunic. It was far more Stone and two modest and becoming than the usual Drury, of Was negligee which is open in front, and Hildreth and J far more protective against chill airs.

The war workers who brought it mother, Mrs. John Charles of Rose of R over from Paris as a novelty have found that it is already copied in our tertaining M shops and sold at one-third the price paid for it at the house of Paquin-It is the new successor to the room David Baber robe that has existed for over a cenrobe that has existed for over a century, and it promises to become the popular garment of the moment.

motored to Rectury, and it promises to become the first of the weed ber and Mr. Med. coopering.

In the Same Class, Another little thing that we have noticed is that some girls who spend a great deal of time on their cheeks and from epilepsy. Shakespeare makes lips and eyebrows haven't anything on the bad little boys who refuse to wash behind the cars.

> A Rare Opportunity. A Globe reporter saw and heard the men in an argument.

TOWNSEND

The Middlesex-Worcester Grange will hold a plenne a Whalom Park on August 2: Basket lanch in the North grove at twent o'clock Speaking from the bandstar a 1.45. The national lecturer and other prominent speakers will be present.

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through the Fitchburg chapter, the treasurer holding the receipt for this amount.

The body of Veteran John Turner was brought to town from Rockland, Me, on the Monday evening train for interment in the Hillside cemetery, beside his wife, who passed away about two years ago. Mr. Turner was the father of Mrs. Harry Felch of this town. He died at his late home in Rockland last week Wednesday from the effects of a shock at the age of seventy-eight years. The funeral services were held in the G. A. P. hall in Rockland last Sunday afternoon Brother comrades from the Townsend Memorial association and daughters of veterars, escorted the body from the train to the cemetery, and sons of veterars. F. Brown, T. J. Harvey, J. French and L. Z. Watkins, acted as bearers. Frayer was offered at the grave by Rev. A. L. Struthers and taps sounded. The deceased is survived by three dagghters, Mrs. Hoyt Emery, of Rockland. Mrs. C. D. Felch, of this town; a son, Grant Turner, of Rockland, Me, and a sister, Mrs. Clara Frampton, of Chelses.

Mrs. Mary Haynes Lane, of Saginaw, Mich., is enjoying a several weeks' visit with her brother. Charles T. Haines, of Wallace hill. Her daughter, Miss Susan Lane, nurse at a base hospital in El Paso. Texas, has als) been a visitor in the home this weix.

Herman Haynes and family, of Medford, are enjoying a summer's Worcester, who has been living with sorester, who has been living with sorester.

North Troy, Vt.

The Townsend Red Sox played in Leroy J. Johnson, of Worcester; a East Jaffrey last Saturday, whering daughter, Mrs. Fred Norton, of Somthe game by the score of 3 to 0.

Miss Hattle Sanders left this week fethen, of Kittery Mel Mrs. Joseph for Oak Bluffs, where she is to be Sawyer and Mrs. George Davis, of this employed for the remainder of the down, and a brother, Charles W. Johnsummer months, returning in the fall Son, of Westersen.

West.

Miss Mildred Stearns is in Nashua West.

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Charles Brow who was operated upon at the M sachusetts General hospital recently for hernia, is doing Mrs. A.

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well, which is very gratifying to his many friends. Mr. Brown's trouble was caused by injuries he received several weeks are, when his automobile was run into on his return from working in Ayer.

Mrs. theoretical Viena and her give Mrs. Granville Taker and her sis-The national lecturer and other prominent speakers will be present.

At a recent meeting of the L. B. S. if the Congregational church, Mrs. T. Flarity, Mrs. Elma Gates and Mrs. Elraity, Mrs. Elma Gates and Mrs. if the Congregational church is the congregation of the congregation is the congregation of th

tee to have charge of securing the service flag and honor roll for the church.

Frank C. Emery, of Concord Junction, who was an orderly at the time, the late John W. Turner, of Rockling, Me., was in the civil war, came to town last Monday to attend the burial services of his contrade.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning the theme of the sermon will be "God's faith in main."

Mrs. A. S. Howard enjoyed an auto trip to Boston Wednesday with Miss Alberta Barber, and while there she spent a portion of the day at the home of her son, ident. David G. Howard in Somerville.

The following quarterly report, submitted by the Townsend Red Cross auxiliary treasurer, T. E. Flarity, is of special interest to the many Red Cross members in town: Receipts—Members in t

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Mes. Henry Hathaway spent Mon-day with friends in Asaby.

The topic of the morning sermon at the Baptist charm, on Sunday will be "Matthew, Mark and huke." C. E. subject, "Lessors from favorite psalms."

The missionary meeting which was to have been held on Wednesday afternoon, has been postponed.

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The meeting of the war relie? wor?ers was neld in the little red house
as usual this week, a large number
being present. Mrs. Fred Tenney
read a very interesting article concerning the work of Gypsy Smith
among the soldiers in France.

Majord Mrs. B. R. Brauton and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brayton and Randall, of Providence, R. L. are guests of Mrs. George Adams.

Mrs. Joreph McKean and Mrs. Jo-scphine Swift spent the day in Winch-endon, Wednesday. Mrs. William Webster returned last Saturday from Boston, where she has been with a relative, who is in a Bos-ton hospital.

Mrs. H. L. Stickney and son Ralph are spending their vacation with relatives in Lewiston, Me.

James Ferrari, who has been in the

family of George Streeter for the past eleven months, has returned to Bos-ton. Edward Leary, another boy from Boston, is living with Mr. Street-er for the present er for the present.

Clarence Streeter is boarding at the home of his brother George during the absence of Mrs. Stickney, where he has been boarding.

Mrs. Raiph Streeter, of Nashua, N. H., is spending a few days at the home of George Streeter.

At the engine meeting last Saturday evening the disbandment of the Eclipse engine company was discussed and also the forming of a new company with the number of men necessary to have charge of the working of the new steamer.

of the new steamer.

Housewives and others are warned against the killing of the hard shell beetle, whose name is calasema sycephanta. This beetle is the one which has been placed here for the destruction of the gypsy moth. It is quite large in size and is irridescent in color and quite handsome, about three-fourths of an inch long. They are very helpful in ridding the trees of gypsy moths and should be pro-

of gypsy moths and should be pro-ected. . Mr. and Mrs. Charles Wyman, who were recently married, are keeping house at Townsend Harbor.

house at Townsend Harbor.

In the recent shelling of the 101st regiment, of which Alden Sherwin and Fred Tenney, of this town, are members, as Alden Sherwin and others were making for their dug-out a shell killed a wagoner of his company and severely wounded others. The Y. M. (C. A. building where Fred Tenney is located, which is in a village about a mile from Alden Sherwin, was centified for the company and severely wounded others. The Y. M. (C. A. building where Fred Tenney is located, which is in a village about a mile from Alden Sherwin, was centified for the company and the first of the company and severely wounded of the company and severely wounded of the company and severely wounded others. The Y. M. (C. A. building where Fred Tenney is located, which is in a village about a mile from Alden Sherwin was centified to the company and the company pletely demolished by shells. Fortu-nately Fred Terney was not in the building during the bondbardment.

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All patent coltskin is the most modified one for the woman who cannot attain the highest. Smart punch work, "tipping" and otherwise decorating it, make this sortford a thing to be desired; and considered that was a smarth of the work was preminent soft the foreign and otherwise decorating it, make this sortford thing to be desired; and considered that is the most for the woman who cannot attain the lighest. Smart punch work, "tipping" and the work was given the concert program and otherwise decorating it, make this sortford thing to be desired; and consider this was much appreciated by the members of the bard, as was also the was an and the device of the program and the proposal and the concert may be a subject to the considered, says a prominent as the close of their selections. When the concert was the proposal and the was an all the data of the was an all the data o

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Mrs. Mabel Thompson, of Somerville in the pay department, and where an early promotion is in view.

New Advertisements

TAXSALE



Collector's Notice

Sale of Real Estate

Townsend, Mass., July 15, 1918. The owners and occupants of the ollowing described parcels of real estate situated in the Town of Townsend, in the County of Middlesex, in the Commonwealth of Massachusetts, and the public are hereby notified that James Rusk, who had lately returned for the reserve officers' school at Plattsburg, was one of the students who were recommended for future training at a second period which was opened at Plattsburg on July 18. if no person offers to take an undivided part thereof will be offered for sale by public auction at Memorial Hall. Townsend, on Saturday, August 17, 1918, at two o'clock P. M., for the payment of said taxes with interest, cost and charges thereon unless

Assessed to Chester F. Walker

Beginning at junction of this lot and road known as Public Highway run-ning south, 73 degrees 30 minutes

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The date with your name is stamped on the margin and shows to what time your subscription is paid, and also serves as a continuous receipt.

Saturday, July 20, 1918

PEPPERELL

News Items Mrs. Effic Robbins, High street, has been enjoying a visit from Mrs. Sarah Robbins, of Lawrence, and Miss Liz-zie Robbins, of Watertown.

zie Robbins, of Watertown.

The Woman's Alliance of the Unitarian church held an all day meeting with Mrs. Harry Hobart on last week Thursday. While some felt that they must attend the union picnic with their children there were enough present to make a most congenial dinner party. In the afternoon Mrs. Lucy Page read a delightful paper on the trees, streams and ponds of Pepperell.

Nathaniel S. Shattuck has arrived home from a several-weeks' vacation in the vicinity of Winthrop, Me., and Vermont.

Mr. and Mrs. A. C. Dickey and two daughters, of Somerville, are guests of Mr. and Mrs. Philip Morant, River

went Tuesday to Ogunquit, Me., for a vacation. The friends of John Kerln expect that he will accept a secretaryship

Mrs. Minnie Green and Miss Glennis took an auto trip to Bare hill pond, Harvard, to see the lay of the land and the arrangements made for the Girl the arrangements made for the Girl Scouts on vacation trips or vacations for one or two weeks, last week Tuesday. Fiske Warren has placed a fine situation at the Girl Scouts' disposal and every requirement seems to have been provided for the girls to have an enjoyable and profitable time at a slight expense. Bare hill pond is a beautiful sheet of water and fringed groves, dotted by a few summer cottages. Capt. Margaret Deware of the Pepperell Girl Scouts, and Helen Parker, Hazel Wilson, Evelyn Maltman, Dorothy Jacobs, and Glennis Green left for a two-weeks stay at the camp. It is understood that about twenty-five desire to take in this plan of vacation from the Pepperell girls. William Bowman came home a

of vacation from the Pepperell girls.
William Bowman came home a week ago from a three-months' stay in Winsor, Vt. He reports it a hustling town where the merchants of the place are hustlers to boom the place. Mr. Bowman liked the place well enough to return there.

Miss Mildred Sawtelle, our girl artist in clay modeling, came from Newton last week Friday and is seeing herschool friends. She is allowing herschool friends. She is allowing her-

She is allowing her but a week's vacation.

Miss Florence Smith was operated upon for appendicitis, Monday, at the Burbank hospital in Fitchburg. Her operation was retarded because she had an attack of bronchitis develop on as she was in the hospital Fred Tune went Monday night to Akron, N. Y., to spend a two-weeks' vacation with Grandpa Tune and his

Frank Smith closed his carpen-tering job at Charles Stone's in Ayer last Saturday and on Monday com-menced work in Groton.

Ernest Keith, of Derry, N. H., has een visiting the home folks on Hol-

Mrs. M. E. Swazey, who has been so ill with her sister, Mrs. James Gilson, Snirley road, was taken last Saturday to Mrs. Thomas Kennedy's on River street. It is understood that Mrs. Gilson came down with typhoid fever in it was necessary for a change to be made immediately.

Emma Harriman, Pleasant cam from Winehendon and is Mrs. packing up her household goods ready to move away. Mr. and Mrs. Carroll Robbins and

ghter spent the week-end with brother's family, Wallace Willoughby, in Leominster.

Dr. and Mrs. Lovejoy left on Monday by auto to go to their summer home in Canaan, N. H. Dr. Lovejoy returned on Tuesday noon.

On Monday aftermoon there was just little sprinkle of rain, and at the fesser farm there was a smart showner. In Dunstable there was a downour, leaving great puddles of water the streets.

Miss Anna Thayer went Tuesday to spend a vacation with her brothers in Epping, N. H.

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Miss Ruth Smith, of Groton, daughter of Willard Smith, visited her aunt.

Mrs. Alice Raymond, last week, and took in the union pienic at Whalom.

took in the union pienic at Whalom. The fore part of last week many were pleased to see Herbert Raymond hack at P. J. Hayes' store and hoped that he was there to stay. The cold air from the ice chests and his own weakened condition from his late serious illness, brought on chills that his physician knew he could not stand. Mr. Hayes was most considerate of him, but all know that Mr. Haymond to get well must be out of doors for this summer, for it is sunlight that he needs.

Mrs. Reddix, from New Jersey, is a visitor with Mr. and Mrs. Fred W Ringdahl on the South road.

Ringdahl on the South road.

W. E. Johnson moved from Pienet street to the upper tenement the Painer house, Tacker avenue. Thursday, Mrs. John Smith is orpping the other tenement. Mrs. Smand Mrs. Johnson are sisters. More other Depociety matter a

Tound in River.

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Weders shy atternoor, henr Fit is bridge, in Pepperell, the body of I. Woods, of Groton, was found on the Nashua river. He had worked and for John Boynton and many is ple in various kinds of work. He had the name of being honest and anxious to do his best in every place. He was the oldest son of Allea Woods, Mair street, and loved the woods and streams and often took his beyde and was gone quite awhile. In speaking of the draft he told people that he would kill himself before he would go to war, and when he was drafted he did not go to Ayer, but about three o'clock last Saturday left his father's house without his bleyele. Mr. Beers, coming in his auto from Groton, and knowing of the disappearance, was casually looking about when he found the body standing upright in the stream and got some children to help him recover the body, and notified Undertaker Bockwood in Groton. The watch found on his person had stopped at eight o'clock. ped at eight o'clock.

Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., will meet at the chapter house on Tuesday, July 23. It will be a picnic, in charge of the program committee. Lunch at twelve.

VOGUE IN AMERICA

Fashion Writer Asserts.

Jealousies, Climatic Variation, Differnce in Mode of Living, and Many Other Reasons.

The theater guides fashion in France, to be sure, but there is little prospect of its playing such a commanding role in this country, even if America should declare sartorial independence of France, as a result of the war, observes a New York fashion correspondent. France, though she oc-cupies such a large place in our hearts, is a small country, as we Americans understand size. It has been a comparatively easy matter for Paris to set the standard for the entire population interested in the mode. For New York to attempt to do the same thing, in the same degree, would be to foredoom the effort to failure. New York migh influence fashions, probably would play a greater part in their determination and selection than any other place in the western hemisphere; but that New York should control the dress of the country, down to the last detail of the length of the sleeve, the placing of a ribbon, as Paris does would be an impossibility. America is too big. By the time New York had succeeded in distributing its models to the last demanding woman, something else would be in vogue. And then there is the natural jealousy in one section of the vast continent of another section; the tremendous climatic variation; the difference in the mode of living; and a

out of existence, as the rings made by a pebble dropped in a pond lose themselves as they spread from the point of contact. If the theater guided fashion in our country as it does in Paris, we might see an untimely revival of Watteau fashions, judging by the reception ac corded to the Louis XV gowns worn by Billie Burke in Henry Miller's revival of "The Marriage of Convenience." The town has gone mad over her hoop-skirts, and her powdered Every woman who sees them

thousand other less striking reasons.

The style influence launched in New

York would spread and widen itself

DRESS THAT SAVES MATERIAL

longs to try them on.



This dress, designed for afternoon use, is a type of "conservation" dress exemplifying the injunction for the American woman to save material. It is developed in Japanese cotton crepe, simple in line and yet smart in every detali.

OF INTEREST TO WOMEN

Wellesley college girls are cultivat-ing their war gardens after school hours on the college farm.

Two thousand American women and men are in the French organization of the American Red Cross. Fifteen thousand Philadelphia woni-

en and girls helped in the War Savings Stamp drive. The canteens and rest stations along

the lines of communication in the war zone of France are being operated by American women. Salvation army lassies cook and distribute the toothsome doughnuts to

Americans on the French front. Twenty-seven new visiting nurses have been placed on the staff of Philadelphin's bureau of health for the

duration of the summer.

English women have established a chain of lunch awagons not for from the battle line, from which they serve hot coffee to the soldiers returning from the Flanders front.

The Cusk

The cusk is a fish of the cod family and has much the same habits and characteristics. It frequents rocky ledges in the north Atlantic, especially off the shore of Newfoundland and Scandinavia. It is more extensively used in northern Europe than in America, but it is sold in considerable quantitles at the fish markets in New Eng-

Remove Smell of Paint. Place a pan full of lighted charcoal in middle of room and throw over it two handfuls of juniper berries, shut the windows and doors for a day and

the smell will disappear. The advantage of this is that you will not have to remove tapestry or furniture, as the smoke of the juniper berries is not injurious to them.

NO CALENDAR FOR 500 YEARS

Christians Reckoned Time According to Customs of Nations to Which They Belonged.

History tells us that for 500 years the Christians had no calendar of their own, but reckoned the years according to the customs of the nations to which they belonged. The Roman Christians used the "Anno Urbis Conditae," or year of the founding of Rome, to count from; others counted from the reign of Diocletian, calling it "the Era of the Martyrs;" and still others used the calendar of the Copts of Egypt. In the sixth century Denis the Little, a Greek monk living in Rome, made a calendar counting from the Incarnation, the date of which he fixed at 753 A. U. C. So we commonly say that Rome was founded 753 B. C.

At the beginning of the eighth century the venerable Bede pointed out that this was an historical blunder. But no general notice was taken of his criticism and the error has continued to this day. Historic facts have enabled modern scholars to determine without much possibility of doubt, the exact year of the birth of Jesus, and to place it at what we call 5 B. C.
"It should be noted," says the great

French astronomer, Camille Flammarion, "that the birth of the Savior re mained totally unperceived at the time. No register of birth, no contemporary historian has bequeathed us any sacred parchment registering the

Moreover, although we are actually approaching the year 1923 A. D., there is little probability that our calendar be reformed to show the fact. The confusion of dates that would result from a substitution of the more accurate designation would be too great to make such meticulousness worth while.-Cleveland Plain-Dealer.

FERRY ACROSS THE CHANNEL

Freight Cars Are Carried for the First Time in History From England to France.

For the first time in the history of railroading a train ferry has crossed the English channel from Newhaven England, to Dieppe, France, carrying about fifty cars, says Popular Mechan-ics Magazine. Since early in the war thousands of British railway cars have been employed in France in transporting troops and supplies, but they have been transferred to the continent by freighters. The inauguration of ferry service indicates that the difficulties created by very pronounced tides have been overcome at last to the mutual advantage of these two allies. At Dieppe the water level varies as much as 31 feet. To overcome this short bridges, attached at one end to the dock and resting on large floats, are employed. During loading and unloading the ferry is chained to the boat and dock pier as well. The two smokestacks are located one at either side of the craft, leaving space for tracks down the center of the deck.

Tragedy of French Trees.

Broken homes, ruined factories, shattered churches, violated graves, it had seemed to me we had rung all the changes on the destruction of war. But there remained one—the tragedy of the trees-says a writer in McClure's You can rebuild houses churches, towns even-for that takes only money. But you can't rebuild orchards of fruit trees and avenues of great shade trees-for that takes time. We were seeing them everywhere now -orchards with trees that were but shriveled branches of brown leaves lying on their sides; orchards, where these had been cleared away, that showed nothing but white-topped They say that when the stumps. warm spring came, some of these orchard trees, lying on their sides but not wholly severed, leafed gently and then-just before they died-bloomed once again for France.

Years of Experience.

Years of experience and preparation are necessary for the accomplishment of certain kinds of results, for participation in certain lines of activity. This was never more true than today. Business men, professional men, the well-equipped man in the average walks of life, are being called upon to show and to give all that is best in The very years the passing of which they may have regretted have equipped thousands of men and womdo excellently well important tasks which have arisen out of the emergencies of the nation's peril,-The Three Partners.

Clams by the Square Mile. Any new source of food supply is portant in these days, and the gov-

ment fisheries bureau'is greatly deed at the discovery of the vast hitherto unknown beds of clams the coast of central Alaska, not from Cordova. One bed is 60 long and from three to five miles

clams are quite different from common in our Eastern mar-They are "razor clams"-a kind valve that derives its name, apintely descriptive, from its likein shape to a razor.

His Long Life Assured. Your cobra is quite a card," said

visitor at the circus. " s. sir." "But where are you going to get anr cobra in this country in case

one dies? "Well, I expect this one to last a iong time," responded the performer. As you see, he leads a charmed life.'

The People's Home Journal. Table for Sugar.

Two cupfuls or one pint, equal one pound; eight ounces equal one cupful; wo ounces equal one-fourth cupful; four ounces equal one gill; one gill equals one-half cupful or one-eighth a quart. (As a gill is a measure, act a weight, it is the same always.)

Daily Optimistic Thought. A good judge wal decide according justice and right in preference to

strict law.

HOME-GROWN PROTEIN FEEDS

Stockmen Should Plan to Produce at Adequate Supply of Leguminous Crops This Year.

(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) Clovers, alfalfa, soy beans, cowpeas and vetches can be profitably produced on every live stock farm in the country and it is of great importance that an adequate supply be grown this year to furnish feed for live stock. These leguminous crops are comparatively rich in protein. The recent prices of feeds which are rich in protein have been so high as to prey vitally on the net profits which otherwise would have accrued to the producers of live stock. Varieties of seed of the crops mentioned have been acclimated and rendered practical for production in nearly eyery section. The man who is un-

able to raise clovers, vetch or alfalfa

on his farm, can resort to soy beans and cowpeas. The latter crops can be grown for either concentrates or roughage use and as such enable the stockman to prepare a well-balanced ration of home-grown feeds which contain a sufficient supply of protein. They enable him to reduce his feeding cost very materially and do away to a large extent, with high-priced cottonseed, lin-

A Good Field of Alfalfa in Kentucky.

seed and peanut meals, which range in protein content from 36 to 50 per cent and cost at the present time from

\$60 to \$85 a ton. The crop of soy beans and cowpeas can be utilized in a number of ways. They can be used for grazing or soiling purposes, be converted into hay or silage, or harvested and thrasled and used for feeding or seeding purposes Every farm equipped with a gasoline engine and a small power grinling mill can readily convert any surplus cow peas of soy beans into meal. It is essential that these grains be ground in combination with corn, usually one part of beans or peas to three or four parts of corn. When ground alone the ex cessive oil in the leguminous grains will cause the mil to gum up.

Solve the problem of high-priced feeds by growing crops rich in protein on your own farm.

CONSUMPTION OF CORN CROP

Urgent Reason for Increasing Produc tion Is Absolute Need of More Grain for Food.

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

Approximately 85 per cent of the Very and the property and happiness."

It a little better and easier. Toursely done more than your duty all these years, and I want to see you have a little comfort and happiness." corn crop of the United States is consumed upon the farm. One and onehalf to 21/2 per cent is exported and the remainder is used in manufacture ened. He had not called her "girl" for or otherwise consumed. During the twenty years! last ten years the demand for corn has ressingly upon her arm and she quiv increased and at times the supply has ered. been inadequate to meet it. This has led to the importation of corn from friends to a sort of party, soon," pro-Argentina. While the amount import- ceeded John. "We'll have to go out ed has reached in some years a total of something more than 7,000,000 town, you know, and get into the new bushels, it is so small in comparison country with the production that corn imports are not an important | said. factor in the corn trade.

However, this importation does call of how you will enjoy having a little attention to the need of increasing the rest from the grind, and a hired girl, corn production in this country. But and the right kind of clothes. You ch more urgent reason for increasing production is the absolute you're as straight as an arrow, and, need of more food grains in the pres-ent world crisis. In 1917 the acreage "Nonsense!" derided Nancy, but t planted to corn was the largest in the history of the country, nearly 120,000,the allies in the world's war, as well spirit of her usually preoccupied help as of neutral nations, will make de- meet. sirable an even greater production of corn in 1918 on an acreage approximately equal to that planted in 1917.

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(Prepared by the United States Department of Agriculture.) We will not win this war un-

less states and communities rise to the emergency of solving local problems without dependence upon Washington. This is true state sovereignty and local self-government and is effective loyalty to the nation. -Assistant Secretary of Argiculture Clarence Ousley.

Alfalfa as Honey Crop. In some of the western states alfalfa is the principal honey crop, and like the clover it produces a clear honey of fine quality and flavor.

Use of Cement Cement was first put on the market in England. It was still being import-

ed into this country in 1875. It was at this time that the use of Portland cement in the United States came into commercial prominence. When product was first placed on the market in competition with that which was being imported from England and Germany a good price was demanded However, production in excess of de mand soon resulted and it proved a big factor in the price cutting that fol-

AFTER THE YEARS

By WALLACE A. MARTIN.

opyright, 1918, by Western Newspaper "Everything satisfactory, Mr. Bliss?" "Better than that. You've done wonderfully fine. Twelve thousand dol ut of an investment of four What's your bill?"

John Bliss pocketed the draft that had just arrived from New York by mall, and drew out his own check book, filled out a blank and handed it

"The usual five per cent on the orig-

inal capital."

to the broker.
"Oh, say!" in sincere surprise ex claimed the latter-"a thousand dollars!

"It's worth it to me," averred his

generous client. "There's a restric-

tion I want to make: I don't want the public, and especially my wife, to now of this transaction. Of course bun brend evode bee cere saw th square and legitimate, but I don't want to be classed as a speculator. It places me at a point I've been trying to reach for years. I intend to make things a little more comfortable for Nance. Comfort-Fil make it luxury.

if the dear thing will let me! It had excited and enthused him to make a big stake all at once. It had warmed his heart to think of Nancy, They had been married cars. Their only boy had just enisted for the war. During the thirty rears, husband and wife had been real workers. For ten years both had settled down into a routine existence. With daylight John was at his farm work. Before daylight Nancy was up and around, preparing breakfast and starting the manifold household du-

ties of the day. So it had come about that greetings had become purely informal, and com panionship unconventional and commonnince. He had long since forgotten to kiss her, and she had accepted the lack of demonstrative affection as latent sentimentality obscured pressing demands for labor. She was firm at times, stern, but never cross or perverse, while he valued her sterling qualities of sacrifice and toil at their true worth.

But now with a positive relief from the fear of old age, penury, a nev spirit was born in John. He was quite gay and light-footed as he proceede to the bank to deposit his draft. He was clear-eyed and smiling as he entered the house, inspired with secret plans for giving Nancy the surprise of her life when the right moment ar-She was keen-minded enough to note his unusually jubilant mood.

"Letter from Arnold," he announced. "Just got it at the post office. He's been promoted to a sergeantcy."

"He deserves it, and won it-I am proud of the boy," commented Mrs. Bilss, with feeling. By the way, Miller was here today with his estimate for painting the house."

"We'll let the man we sell it to arrange that," observed John, and Nancy stared at him.

"You're not thinking of that, are you?" she inquired, eyeing him closely. "Why, yes. Tell you, Nance: I've ving up and accumulating. I've had a little business windfall, and I see my way clear to build on the village lot. It's your right, girl, to have it a little better and easier. You've little comfort and happiness."

Her faded cheeks glowed mo mentarily. The lines of her face soft-His hand rested ca-

"I'd like to have some of our old

"Til not; did I ever? I'm thinking ain't as young as you once was, but

"Nonsense!" derided Nancy, but the compliment was sweet to her. Then, a week later, when some dozen or more 000 acres, and exceeding the 1916 plant- friends passed a social evening at the ing by about 15 per cent. The produc-tion is estimated at 3,159,494,000 bush-twice, bright and sprightly, with two els, the largest clop ever harvested, of his boyhood flames, Nancy experi-There seems to be every reason to be enced quite a pang of jealousy, and lieve that our own welfare and that of was duly startled at the growing high

> One day she rested a hand on his shoulder to reach over and adjust a window shade. Her cheek was temptingly near to him. He uttered a chuckle and kissed her.

Smack! He drew back with a tingling cheek from the impetuous slap. Poor soul! Innate modesty, prim disdain of sentiment through twenty years had made her take even the congenial salute as an unwarrantable liberty! Then, overcome with a mighty revulsion in feeling, she burst into

He caught her hand and pulled her to his knee. "Reckon I deserve itneglecting you so long, Nance," he said in a low, intense fone; "but that dear cheek is just as velvety to me now as when I courted you in 1885, and I love you ten times more!"

She hid her face on his shoulder with a sigh of ineffable rest and trust, Her lips rested upon the still tingling cheek and soothed it, and the old love awoke like some new spirit of delight in her lonely soul.

When It Starts. Not always, but almost always, the

eginnings of mental and moral inferiority are in the home. Educate parents to the supreme importance of home training of children and the problems of vice, crime and poverty will be far on the way to solution.

"I hugged a girl rather tightly the other night and crushed some import-"Yours or hers?" ed cigarettes."

JUDGMENT IN THINNING FRUIT

common Rule Is to Thin So The Fruits Will Not Be Nearer Together Than Four Inches.

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

Most varieties of peaches, as well as other fruits, for that matter, under favorable conditions often set much more fruit than the tree can possibly develop to a good degree of perfection for commercial purposes. The natural tendency of the tree is to perpetuate its kind. To this end, left to itself, it develops the largest possible number of seeds, with each seed possessing the possibility of a new

The grower's aim is for the tree to produce the largest possible amount of fruit that can attain the highest commercial standard. The effort of the tree and the object desired by the grower tend to impose incompatible requirements. The development of a great number of seeds is a tree-exhausting process. This is opposed to the development of large fruits. To meet his ends in this respect, the grow-

er has recourse to thinning the fruit. Perhaps no operation in the production of peaches requires keener judgment than thinning the fruit. No fixed rules for it can be given. A com-mon rule, very generally applicable, is to thin so that the fruits will not be nearer together than 4 to 6 inches. But the strength of the tree, the fertility of the soil, and especially the soil moisture, together with the of the crop (or, in other words, the number of fruits allowed to develop on the tree), govern very largely the size and perfection of the individual fruits.

Obviously, a vigorous tree growing under favorable conditions as to mois ture, plantfood, etc., can develop a larger number of fruits to good size than can a weak tree, or even the same tree when there is a marked deficiency either in the supply of moisture or of plantfood. The skill of the grower is shown in

his ability to adjust the size of the crop on his trees to the conditions of the season. He can reduce the numper of fruits on the trees if the season becomes very dry as it progresses Thus the grower should aim to control the size of the individual fruits by thinning and by tillage and pruning. While thinning may cost a relatively large amount per tree, actually more

high-grade fruit is produced, as a rule,



house."
"Don't so beyond your depth," she Peach Tree After Its First Year's Growth in Orchard

crop than on one which is heavily overloaded and the average fruit on the tree with a moderate crop is of better grade than the best fruit in an over loaded tree.

The thinning should be done after the "June drop"—which usually occurs from a month to six weeks after the blossoming period, when the imperfect ly fertilized and other weakly devel oped fruits drop off-and before the pits begin to harden. After the "June drop" is over there is very little drop ping of the peaches. Hence practically all the fruit which remains there be on the trees at harvest time It will have to be picked then, anyway It probably costs considerably less to pick a portion of the crop in June o July and drop the fruit on the ground than to pick it later and put it in a basket, where much of it will have to be handled over several times in grading and packing and then finally large quantities discarded as culls be cause the fruits are so small. More over, the fruit on an overloaded tree will sometimes ripen less uniformly than on a tree that has a moderate

crop. As the development of its nits is an exhaustive process, the limiting of the number of fruits tends to conserve the vitality of the tree. A large portion of the flesh of the peach is water; hence, if the soil is well supplied with moisture the development of the edible portion of the fruit makes a relatively light demand on the strength of the

Mature Grape Vine Buds. Sixty buds on the mature grape vine s enough. These will produce a hundred bunches of grapes.

His Duty Done. The family is rather demonstrative

when the various members of the household come and go. The grandchildren are expected to embrace every one at the beginning and at the end of a visit. Fred and Albert were getting into their clothing and making hasty adieux preparatory t catching their train home after Christ-mas. "Hurry up, Fred," Albert shout-"you're too slow for anything I've got mine all kissed."

ITEMS OF INTEREST

In 1914 the population of France was 89,500,000, and at the beginning of the war the excess of births over deaths was about 50,000 annually. In 1916 the deaths in the civilian population totalled 700,000, and in the military forces 400,000, a total of 1,100,000.

More than 69,000 masters, officers, and seamen on American merchant vessels traversing the war zones have been insured by the United States government. This insurance totals more than \$115,000,000. Claims under the insurance are so far a little more than \$180,000.

There are 23,024 newspapers published in the United States, 16,091 are weeklies and the rest dailies.

The annual pay of the army now exceeds \$500,000,000.

The London Economist for February places the total gross debt of Great Britain at £5,678,600,000 (\$27,636,-000,000).

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cailing at PECK FARM, Pepperell, Mass. Telephone 19-6.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS: Middlesex, ss. Probate Court, To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of SAMUEL L. BLODGETT late of Groton in said County, deceased, intestate. Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to MARGARET A. BLODGETT of Groton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the ninth day of September A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in 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.

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Littleton, Mass. 43 NOTICE OF HEARING.

Ayer, July 9th, 1918. To the Board of Selectmen: The undersigned respectfully asks

for a license to keep—store—sell-gas-oline in one 500 gal, tank at my property on Shirley St. Name, Edward A. Whitney. Residence, Ayer, Pond St. Application received July 10, 1918,

JOHN D. CARNEY.

Chairman Board of Selectmen

Office of OF SELECTMEN BOARD



Ayer, Mass, July 10, 1918. ORDERED, that a public hearing be held on the foregoing petition on the twenty-ninth day of July, A. D. 1918, at eight o'clock P. M., in the Selectmen's Room in the Town Hall selectmen's Room in the Town Hall in said Ayer, at which time and place all persons interested in said petition may appear and will be heard; that the petitioner give notice of the time and place of said hearing by publishing an attested copy of said petition and of this order theseen in Turner's and of this order thereon in Turner's and of this order thereon in Turner's Public Spirit and the Ayer News, newspapers published in said Ayer, at least fourteen days prior thereto, and that the Cierk of the Board mail written notices of the time and place of said hearing at least seven days prior thereto to all owners of real estate abutting along that part of the way upon, along, across or under which said tank is to be, as such ownership is determined by the last preceding assessment for taxation.

JOHN D. CARNEY, DOUGLAS C. SMITH, ELWIN H. LONGLEY, A true copy of petition and order

Attest:

DOUGLAS C. SMITH.