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News Items.

John H. Hardy of Littleton has sold en acres of orchard land on the Lit tleton road to Herbert H. Howe, who will further develop 'he orchard. There are nearly 200 growing apple

Arthur Brown spent Christmas with is mother in Belmont.

Wilbur Steele has replaced his Metz touring car with a Metz roadster. Stephen D. Salmon is ill with pneu

Miss Sarah Richardson is enjoying a vacation from her work in Byfield

academy, and is at the home of her father, Lewis Richardson. Mrs. R. Y. Nelson visited her brother, Warren Blanchard, of Leominster last Friday, Miss Mary Hager accompanying her. Mr. Blanchard is quite

Cards are out announcing the en-gagement of Mabel Warren Wether-bee and George Waldo Livermore, both of this town.

Mr. and Mrs. Chauncey Robbins have moved into their house on Dame ourden farm for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Littlefield motor ed from Hartford, Conn., Wednesday, to spend the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Albert Littlefield.

Other hollday guests not previously noted are Percy Morton and family, of Watertown, with Herbert Livermore; Miss Cora Hartwell and Linis Hartwell, of Boston, and Miss Chase, of South Acton, with Albert Hartwell; Miss Lucie Littlefield, of West Acton, with Albert Littlefield; the Misses Ina and Lucy Wetherbee and Royal Wetherbee and Royal Wetherbee and Royal Wetherbee Misses Ina and Lucy Wetherbee and Royal Wetherbeet Misses Ina and Linguist Ina and Ling Walnut farm: Thomas

Steele, of Smith Agricultural school, with Burpee Steele; Mr. and Mrs. Stephen D. Salmon, Sr., with Stephen D. Salmon; Miss Helen Burroughs, of Framingham Normal, with her par-

Burpee C. Steele has gone to Green wood, Nova Scotia, because of the illless of his parents.

Mrs. Florence Wetherbee went to Medford last Sunday to attend the fueral of a friend. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Burrows have

been visiting in Connecticut. The next Red Cross meeting will be eld on Tuesday, January 6, at the

nome of Mrs. C. B. Robbins. Harry Clark, recently moved from Maynard to this town, is in the Bos-ton City hospital as the result of an accident to his car while on his way home from Boston the Saturday eve ning before Christmas. The car skid-ded and the steering gear gave way, throwing Mr. Clark to the sidewalk. He was taken immediately to the City hospital, where it was found that two ribs and the collar bone were broken. His face was cut and badly bruised from the fall. Recent reports from the hospital say that he is as comfortable as can be expected. The ma-chine, a Winton-Six, after skidding, urned turtle and is now in bad shape. Fortunately there were no other occu-

Church Notes

children amounted to \$11.50. Communion will be observed fol-

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Four new members will be taken into he church at that time. Their let ters from other churches were accepted last Sunday. The pastor hopes a large congre gation on the first Sunday of the new

Last Sunday ovening a very inter esting missionary meeting was held in the vestry in charge of Mrs. Burrows.

Special music was provided for the occasion. Miss Helen Burroughs sang a solo and the Misses Hager and Dorothy Richardson a trio. The monthly meeting of the Mis sionary Auxiliary will be held the first Wednesday in January at the vestry, because the second Wednesday is the date set for the annual church business meeting.

WESTFORD

orge Vilinge.

The Rt. Rev. Samuel G. Babcock D., suffragan bishop of the dioces of Massachusetts, will visit St. Andrew's mission on Sunday afternoon Bishop Babcock will administer the rite of confirmation and will preach he sermon. Attention is called to the change in the hour of service. The service will be at three o'clock in the fternoon, instead of at the usual hour of 4.30. There will be no meeting of the Sunday school. The children will attend the three clock service to hear

A son, Joseph Adrian, Jr., was born o Mr. and Mrs. Joseph LeClerc on

Christmas morning. Edward Pendlebury who has serv ed for a number of years in the capacity of night watchman for the Abbot Worsted Co., is leaving to accept a position with the Lawrence mills in Lowell. The family will be greatly missed from the social life of this vil-

Mr. and Mrs. Percy Hargreaves, o Somerville, and little son Frederick were the holiday guests of Misse Theresa and Christine Lowther. Mis-Annie L. Cherry, of Somerville, and Miss Mary Cherry, of Pittsburgh, Pa., vere also guests at the Lowther home Miss_Annie Cherry, 10 village, will accompany her sister on her return to Pittsburgh, where they

will make their future home. The following is a report to the Westford board of health by the pub-lic health nurse, Miss Eva M. Lord showing the nature and amount o work done during the month of De cember: 4 cases of diphtheria, 6 cases of chicken-pox, 2 cases of scarlet fever, case of mumps, I case of septic sor throat, 1 case of influenza reported: 2 cases of scarlet fever were carried over from last month; 2 children sent nome from school with empintego; 1 family quarantined for 10 days where child had died of diphtheria; 2 houses fumigated and quarantine lifted; number of visits made to communicable diseases 61, school visits 24, absentees visited in their homes 50, baby welfare visits 10, penatal visits 5, instructive and observation visits 38, nursing visits 4, social and business calls 9 throat cultures taken for diphtheria 7, children examined in school for minor aliments 181, 3 children taken home sick from school and 1 child taken to hospital.

Extensive Repairs. Abbot's hall which has been under

going extensive alterations for the past few months will soon be open to the public again. This hall has been doubled in size with a large stage made in sections to be added to or taken away as the occasion requires. Under stage are several dressing room the stage are several dressing rooms provided with running water, etc., and the various parts of the building are connected by telephone. The hall is finished in dark oak with a bluish gray tint on the walls, making a very pleasing effect. A new Steinway plan and a fine new floor will meet all the requirements of the dancers. A wing is built to the west side of the build-ing which makes a small hall to be used for meetings of the overseers. first-aid classes, band rehearsals, lodge meetings, etc., with a kitchenette con-nected, so that refreshments may be served if desired. A modern motion picture equipment has been installed that is equal to any city theatre, and up-to-date pictures, second to none

vill be shown twice weekly. The general contracting for this hall was done by P. Henry Harrington, of Granitoville, under the supervision of William Cox, architect, of Boston. We are all looking forward to the opening and Force Village will then be able to boast of the finest hall in this vicinity There are of course larger halls in the cities and larger towns, but we do not know it any so well equipped o to well furnished, and great credit is certainly doe the Abbot Worsted Com pany for their progressiveness in providing such a vilding for their emloyces and frie ds.

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WESTFORD

Miss Elizabeth Kittredge has been pending the Christmas vacation with her mother, Mrs. L. H. Buckshorn.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Wright and son Livingston have been spending the holiday at H. L. Wright's. One of our village bird students re

orts seeing a robin one day this Mr. and Mrs. Arthur E. Day visited Dr. and Mrs. McCluskey in Worcester

last week, and while there enjoyed a given by the Worcester Musical so-There will be an adequate ice sup-

ply next summer as Wallace W. Johnson expected to finish harvesting his crop on Burgess pond this week. The ice is ten inches thick and of the best, clear quality.

Albert W. Woods and Arthur Ling, who have been packing apples in town for transportation to Boston, are boarding at Hugh A. Ferguson's.

The annual appraisal of property at the town farm took place last Saturday. The three appraisers were Robert Prescott, George H. Burke and Otis W. Day. A dinner was served at noon and besides the appraisers were the three members of the board of overseers of the poor, Samuel H. Balch, Wesley O. Hawkes and Fred R. Blodgett. There are four inmates at the farm at the present time, two men and two women. Everything about the place is kept in the best of condition by Supt. Charles S. Ripley and the matron, Mrs. Ripley.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning Rev. O. L. Bownsey will preach on "Paul's idea of the christian life." In the evening "The church, awakened to her new opportunities" will be discussed by the pastor and four members will occupy four minutes each on the subject. communion service will be observed at the close of the morning service.

Schools resume sessions after the holiday vacation on Monday. There will be an all-day Ladies' Aid meeting at the home of Mrs. George

Walker on Thursday of next week. The annual church meeting, with dinner at noon, takes place at the Blaney is treating it.

Congregational church one week from Alliston McDoural

Tadmuck Club.

The last meeting of the old year of the Tadmuck club proved a pleasant one, being the "home afternoon" and was pleasantly informal and so-The president, Mrs. Rouden-called to order and after the reading of reports of two previous meetings by the secretary, Mrs. Wright, and the president read a timely letter from the bulletin by Mrs. Baker, president of the State Federation. A pleasant letter was read from Miss Bunce by Miss Day, corresponding secretary. Three new members been admitted to membership, Miss Crocker, Miss Crane and Mrs. Elizabeth Sargent. Mrs. Herbert A. Federation, is to address the club some time in January,

The program for the afternoon was the reading of a play by members of the reading circle of the club. The five-act play, "Michael and his lost angel," by Henry A. Jones, was read, although 'somewhat shortened and while without scenery or action the dramatic interest and interest of dialogue held the attention and appreciation of the audience. The play was read under the direction of Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth, chairman of the litrature and library extension committhe. Miss Elizabeth Kittredge had the leading role and the other characters were taken by Miss May E. Day, Miss Alice M. Howard, Mrs. George Law-rence, Mrs. L. W. Wheeler, Miss Mabel Drew and Mrs. H. W. Hildreth. Mrs. Roudenbush interpreted the descrip-

At the close of the program a social club tea was enjoyed under the direction of the executive committee, Miss A. Mabel Drew, Mrs. William R. Carver and Miss Alice M. Howard.

Welcome Home Committees.

The committees for the carrying out the world war veterans are as follows: Capt. John J. Monahan, Fred A Hildreth, secretary. The date set for | Ellinwood. Burnal was in the family the banquet is Thursday evening, Jan- lot in West Chelmsford, uary 29, at six o'clock. Hon, Herbert E. Fletcher is chairman of the ban quet committee; H. E. Fletcher, H. V. Hildreth, A. R. Wall, committee on speakers; Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, Mrs. H. D. Wright, Mrs. Precious, decorat Harrington, A. W. Hartford, E. E. Nutting, F. C. Wright, E H. Flagg. Momas Costello, soldier com.; Mrs. A W. Hartford, O. R. Spalding, F. L. Furbush, W. O. Hawkes, John Edwards, banquet com.; A. W. Hartford, A. R. Wall, E. E. Nutting, C. W. Robinson, Mrs. H. V. Hildreth, dance com.; board of selectmen, O. R. Spaiding, S. H. Fletcher, F. L. Furbush, medal com.

Al Bicknell, an aged and life-long spending the past few days with relasident of Westford, died early Wednesday morning aged 76 years, 9 months, 10 days. He had been in failing health for some time, but death res due to pneumonia of a few days' duration. He was born at the old He was born at the old road at the south part of the town on March 1, 1843. His parents were Ira and Martha (Dadman) Bicknell.

Mr. Bicknell was a veteran of the

civil war, having a long record of service. He enlisted on July 2, 1861, in Company C, 16th Regiment, and re-enlisted on December 27, 1863, in the 11th Regiment. His service ex-pired on July 14, 1866. Two other others, Nathan and James, also

served in the civil war. At the battle Gettysburg it fell to his lot to bury

nis brother who was killed in battle. Mr. Bicknell's war experiences were very real to him and one of the events of his-later life was to revisit this famous battlefield fifty-seven years afterward at its fiftieth anniversary celebration. He was given a pleasant send-off by his townspeople when he started on that pilgrimage. For many years he has been a member of the Westford Veteran association.

For many years Mr. Bicknell had charge of the public buildings. At one time he was the faithful janitor of the town hall, the J. V. Fletcher library and the academy building.

An honest, kindly man has gone his reward, and the sympathy of the community goes out to his widow, Mrs. Sarah (Whitney) Bicknell, and his two adopted daughters, Mrs. Guy Rock-well and Mrs. Clayton Wilcox, and his brother, Charles H. Bicknell.

About Town.

The Abbot Worsted Company, with their usual generous spirit, remembered the overseers at their mill at Brookside: Jamse Zanchi, of the spinning room, a handsome ruby ring; William Balmforth, superintendent, a diamond stickpin; Eugene St. Ogne. of the spooling room, a Morris chair, rug and smoking stand; William Bettwood of the drawing room, a sum of gold; Edward M. Abbot presented the overseers with a box of cigars.

Miss Luanna B. Decatur, teacher in New Rochelle, N. Y., is spending the holidays at her home on the Lowell road.

The U.S. Department of Agriculture says that one ton of butter has been made every minute day and night for the last year, and still the supply is not equal to the demand.

Gerald Decatur, of New York, is a his home for the holidays,

Mr. and Mrs. Quincy Day entertained on Christmas their children and grandchildren, and Mr. Day's mother, Mrs. Emma Day-eleven in all.

Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Taylor were din Taylors, and the afternoon program at the F. A. Snows.

Frank T. Johnson, as Santa Claus at the Unitarian Christmas tree was a real hit in adaptation: The "movies" furnished a variety entertainment and everybody got something that appeal-The spells of unanimous laughter was evidence that something had appealed. The church is grateful for the generosity of the Abbot Worsted Com-

Westford Grange, after relinquishing the meeting of January 1 in favor f a patriotic gathering at the town hall, will resume its sessions on Thurs day evening, January 15, with installation of officers by Mrs. Margaret Sarre, of Lowell, lady assistant steward of the State Grange.

Rev. Vincent Ravi Booth, whose summer home is in West Chelmsford, has accepted a call to the Congregational church in Bennington, Vt. Mr. Booth will be remembered as the daughter of the late Samuel H. Virgen, of New York, who built the summer home in West Chelmsford.

Oliver Desjardin, Pigeon hill, is suffering from an injury to his hand and threatened with blood poisoning. Dr.

Allister McDougal is stocking his Allister McDougai is stocking als na who supplied the children characteristic farm with thorough bred Holsteins in Ayer for some time several years from Mt. School, Northfield. Perley ago, will preach in the Littleton E. Wright brought four last Saturday chare on Schoday. on his auto truck.

James Reid, a well-known resident of West Chelmsford, died at his home last Sunday morning of bronchial pneumonia, aged seventy-five years Prior to pneumonia he had been in ill health for some time. He had been resident of West Chelmsford twenty years, moving here from Cape Cod He was employed for twenty years as draughtsman for the H. E. Fletcher Granite Co., Oak hill, Westford. He of the granite business, this serving er in singing the popular songs.

Well in fitting him for accuracy in The auditorium was most appropriwell in fitting him for accuracy in The auditorium was most appropri-dranchting plans and estimates. He ately decorated with an abundance of by his example in private life and his presence at public gatherings.

to make it an increasing influence as ne of the means for village improvement. He was a lover and great reader of the best authors. This, with a great memory, made him an interestng conversationalist and a ready so ciability in the community

He was a native of Scotland, but came to this country while young. He married Mrs. Margaret Sharp Reid, who survives him; also two sons, John of Boston and George of West Chelms-ford; three daughters, Mrs. Edward Marsh of Boston, and the Misses Esthr and Margaret Reid of West Chelmsord, and five grandchildren.

The funeral was from his home or Wednesday afternoon, Rev. Frank B Taylor, a former minister, and Rev Morse conducting the service Mrs. F. L. Roberts, of Lowell, sans of the welcome home celebration for several selections. The beavers were , S. H. Fletcher, chairman; H. V. Snow, Harold Fletcher and Loring J.

Both masses in St. Catherine's Turch last Sunday morning were celeorated by Rev. John Linnehan, who

gave interesting sermons at each mass The Ladies' Aid society of the M E, church are making plans for a sale and entertainment to be held in the

Mr. and Mrs. Conrad Richards, with their two children. Regina and Albert, spent the New Year's holidays with friends in Canada. Fred M. Defoe has been spending

the past few days with relatives in Fred M. Stuart, who was recently

lischarged from the service, has been Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Balckey and sor Lawrence, of Center Harbor, N. H.

have been recent guests of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Shugrue. Mr. and Mrs. Owen A. McNiff, with their little daughter Helen, of Harvard, have been recent guests of Mr. Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Furbush.

Mr. and Mrs. George L. Gilson have been spending the past few days with

William H. Welsh; a well known resident of this village, died at his home on Main street last Saturday church, Park avenue and Fiftieth with fringe, which

after a long illness at the age of 61 years, 12 days. Besides his wife, Elizabeth, he leaves three sisters, Mrs. F. L. Wiggin, of Central Falls, R. I.; Mrs. Margaret Blodgett, of Groton, and Mrs. Charles Harris, of Everett;

alsol several nephews and nieces. In the passing of Mr. Welsh deep sorrow is expressed by his many friends. He resided in this village for many years and for a long time was employed by the Abbot Worsted Co., having charge of the wool scouring and sorting departments, where he had the full confidence of his employers and those under his charge. He was death is deeply regretted by all. He was a member of Self-Help lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., of Forge Village. The funeral was held from the house

on last Tuesday, afternoon and was were conducted by Rev. William E. Anderson, pastor of the Methodist church, who spoke with deep feeling on the life of the departed. There was a large profusion of beautiful floral tributes, including set pieces from the family, from the Odd Fellows, the Abbot Worsted Company and the employees of the mill. The bearers were Alfred Prinn, Alvin Nelson, Frank Caunter, and William Gilson. Burial took place in Fairview cemetery, Westford, where the committal service was read by Rev. William E. Anderson,

LITTLETON-

News Items. Robert N. Smith has sold his 30 acre fruit and poultry farm to Mrs. Lourena Wright of Milford, N. H. There was a horse, cow. 300 head of poultry, a lot of hay, grain, wagons and farming tools included in the deal.

fred A. Smith of Ayer was the broker. William Healy has bought the Gleason place, formerly Miss Willis' house, on Foster street, and will move in ery soon. The Gleasons moved back

Mr. and Mrs. Healy and children spent Christmas with her people in

Miss Mary MacMartin, of New Esate road, entertained several family guests for a week during the holiday season. They were Miss Jane Mac-Martin, of Hartford, Conn.; Finlay MacMartin, of Syracuse, N. Y., and Dr. and Mrs. Frederick Hindsley, of Bridgeport, Conn.

Miss Grace P. Conant left for Decatur, Ill., Monday night.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Conant had all thristmas day celebration which was a pronounced success.

occupied by Supt. F. H. Hill and fam-Harold Bell Wright's novel, "The

It is reported that Ralph McNiff

shepherd of the hills," now in pictures will be shown at the Strand, Ayer, Monday and Tuesday, January 5 and 6. Ten big reels. Herman C. Knight, superintendent of schools in Townsend, Ashby and Lunenburg, has been elected F. H. Hill's successor in Littleton, Westford

Acton and Carlisle, and has accepted the position. Rev. L. W. Sandford, of Walpole, N. H. who supplied the Unitarial church

A company of about 100 students and friends had a jolly good time at the college social in the Unitarian vestry last Saturday evening. Miss Alice Howard, president of the Alliance, opened the meeting and introduced Mrs. J. M. Hartwell as chairman of the evening.

A delightful program was given. The ever popular orchestra gave several pleasing selections, and representawas an exceptionally skilled workman. leges responded with a musical numis to prevent the majority party in the The plans which he drew for the ber, a few words or simply the name The plans which he drew for the per a few words or simply the hand unique fitting of stone on many of the of their alma mater. There was good all of the modern public buildings are evidence cheering under able leadership, and ority party. of skill and workmanship. He had after the refreshments the girls' corner been workman in all the lower rounds and the boys corner rivaled each oth-

The deceased was a regular attend-and colleges were represented by the ant at the village church and labored young people present.

young people present.
College night was an innovation in the Alliance calendar, but judging by numbers and enthusiasm we prophesy a repetition that will attract both coung and old. Try it again, please,

Resignation Accepted.

At a meeting of the joint committee of the schools of Acton, Carlisle, Lit- for such an experiment. At any rate tleton and Westford, held Saturday afternoon in the Littleton town hall, trine for so influential a newspaper as the resignation of Superintendent the Post to uphold. Frank H. Hill was formally presered As to the facts in Mr. Berger's case, and accepted with regret. At the same He has already served one term in meeting from a number of strong can- congress and so far as we know did from the former and partly from Magdidates, any one of whom would have no irreparable damage. filled the vacancy acceptably. Herman members of the House evidently were D. Kimball of Lowell, Mass., a Y. M. ". Knight of Lunenburg was unani- able to keep him in his place and it. nously elected superintendent of the would seen, as though they might do Paris for supplies. district. Mr. Knight has made an ex-cellent record in previous positions. We are not entirely sure some other relient record in previous positions. We are not entirely sure some other and was strongly recommended for members of congress have said things duties early in the new year.

Hill is about to sever his connection with the schools of this district after eight years of excellent service, be it Resolved, that it is the wish of the nembers of the committees to give hearty and public expression to their appreciation of Mr. Hill's able, conscientious and painstaking administra-tion of the schools of this district; of his unvarying courtesy in all relations with the committees, and of his attitude as a man and a citizen toward he various interests of the towns

For the joint committee. Charles O. Prescott, Westford. Herbert A. Lee, Carlisle, Harry N. Brown, South Acton, Herbert L. Caulkins, Littleton,

Committee.

vithin the district.

The following was taken from the New York Herald of Sunday, December 28, and concerns a former pastor being located here in 1907-8-9:

The sermon on the editorial page of the Herald a week from today will be written by Rev. Paul Gordon Favour, vicar of St. Bartholomew's Episcopal Parish House, 209 East 42d street, and assistant to Rev. Dr. Leighton Parks

street. Mr. Fuvpur is the preacher at the Sunday afternoon four o'clock service, when the audience almost always numbers one thousand or more. At this service the seats are free, and there are special musical programs by the vested choir.

There has recently been started "social gathering" in Guild hall, which adjoins the church. This meeting folows the vesper service. The purpose s to get better acquainted with the rector and with each other. Refreshcontinues from six to seven o'clock The first "social hour" was held De one good, true, loyal man, and his cember 14, and there were almost 100 persons present. Dr. Parks This afternoon John Kendrick Bangs will be the speaker. He will tell some of his experiences in

France. Mr. Favour divides his time between the church and its big parish house. The recent Every Name campaign brought pledges from the 380 of the parish house congregation to attend services regularly. And at a recent memorial service to Bishop Greer, who built the plant, there were some 500 persons present. They gave \$310 for a Greer memorial cottage at Hope Farm, Verband, N. Y., another insti-tution built by Bishop Greer, and also very dear to his heart.

Mr. Favour has been in the Episcopal priesthood only a few months. coming from the Congregational ministry. He was admitted to priest's orders November 5, last, by the Right Rev. Benjamin Brewster, bishop of

The clergyman is thirty-six years oid. He was born in Lowell, Mass., ences, "plays in a band and uses his and was educated at Dartmouth colthe track, tennis and musical organiza- too often a gloom-dispeller, buthigh school, Hanover, N. H. Later he was a teacher of history in the Phillips-Andover academy. He was assistant chaplain in the Massachusetts State Reformatory for two years. For their own level."
three years he was chapel organist at "If any further

Philling-Andover The first pastorate of Mr. Favour was the First Congregational church. Littleton, Mass. He presided over congregations successively after this at Prospect Hill church, Somerville, Mass. and Old South church, Farrington, Me. From 1917 to 1918 he was teacher and the chaplain at Abbot Boys' school, Farrington. For on year he was lecturer on church his-

cory in Boston university.
In September, 1918, Mr. Favour was graduated from the chaplain's traintheir children and most of their ing school, Camp Taylor, Ky. He serv-grandchildren with them for the ed as first lieutenant and chaplain of the 42d Infantry, U. S. A., Plymouth Division. He also served as a student member of the faculty at Camp Taylor. has hired the F. B. Priest house now On his discharge Mr. Favour received a commission as chaplain in the United States Army Reserve Corps.

The young clergyman is the author of "Mexico, past, present." been this season a lecturer at the New York Church Normal school. He is married and is the father of three children.

A Dangerous Doctrine.

The Boston Post commenting editorially in a recent issue on the re-election of Victor L. Berger as congressman from his district in Wiscon sin says:

"It is hardly likely that a man still under indictment for violating the es-pionage laws of the United States in war time and who has once turned down by the House of Representatives will be accepted by that body even if his constitutents do happen to think him all right. The House still remains the sole judge of the fitness of men elected to sit therein." If this last statement is correct what becomes of representative govern

If the House is a sort of supreme court in affairs political that concern its members what is the need of going to the expense of holding elections House from refusing to seat any or

Of course we don't suppose the republicans who happen now to be in the majority will decline to give any was active in community betterment artistically arranged banners from the by his example in private life and his different institutions and Christmas surely have the power to do so.

Such a sweeping "reform" would and making his expenses." be hardly popular and might cause a revolution or something and for that reason will not be tried.

The rule will be a handy one in casof a small minority party gaining sufficient power to elect one or a fev congressmen whose views do not meet with the approval of the old parties talked of might furnish the material it seems to us to be a dangerous doc-

this field. He will assume his new fully as bad and of fully as much comfort to the enemy as the things Mr The following resulution was pro-pared by direction of the school com-mittees of Acton, Carlisle, Littleten and Westford, meeting in taken and the content of the particularly true of and westford, meeting in taken and the content of the content and Westford, meeting in joint sex-sion in Littleton December 27:

for weary months in tearing to pieces our noble senators who were engaged Whereas, Superintending Frank H. the peace treaty and the league of na-lill is about to sever his connection tions and generally ripping the administration up the back. Of course none of them are under indictment, but

> often thought they ought to be. been particularly fussy about the mental or moral qualifications of their members and it does not seem particularly clear why they should be so astidious just now.

It still seems to us that the good old rule of "leaving it to the people" to continue posing as a democracy. V. T. E.

THE PORK BARREL

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ODD HUMORS OF **MOBILIZATION**

Some of the Humorous Sidelights of Picking Secretaries-for Overseas Service.

"What can you say of his home life?'

"Ideal. He is a bachelor." "What, if any, special weakness of character has he?" "He owns a Ford."

"What are his qualifications for re igious leadership?" "Plays organ. Not much other wise."

When approximately 150,000 -per sons volunteered to go overseas for the Y. M. C. A., 20,000 were chosen. Some of the "recommendations" that applicants got had as much humor as

Among the responses and confessions were the unconscious bits of humor that relieved the tension of the drama of "Y" mobilization. And now that the crisis is past the curtain is lifted on these comic interludes. There stands revealed the minister who, according to one of his refer

lege and Andover Theological semi-nary. In college he was a member of pliment: "A small-town preacher is tions. For some time Mr. Favour was a teacher of Greek and history in the secretary was recommended because "his right leg is about an inch shorter than his left leg. Would use this man because of his ability to meet men on

"If any further information is de sired," ran a letter commending the ecretary of one of the leading mission boards of the country, "I shall be glad to give it. I hope he will be able to Somerville, will be for the good of the country to have him go as soon as possible."

One candidate, facing the prospect of being sent to Vladivostok or Meso potamia, wrote:

"If I go to either of the countries mentioned, would it be permissible to carry a rifle or two? I understand that both are big game countries and are only semi-civilized. I have several high-powered rifles and would like to be allowed to carry at least one, if not.two,"

Another, determined not to let Jerry" "get away" with anything just because his own duties were to be noncombatant, inquired:

Fighting on the Side.

"What is the chance of doing a little fighting on the side, if I am in the front line, trenches or open? In other or passing out cigarettes and a Boche takes a shot at me, can I shoot back

One secretary from a Western State said that a woman called on him be fore he left to go overseas. She had heard that some rare ferns grew in No Man's Land and she wished he would dig up a few and send them to

"Like most preachers," said one rec-"he is used to giving ommendation, orders rather than taking them." Another comment was: "He is perfectly honest, but highly educated." was cited as an eccentricity of character: "He sometimes tells the truth when he should have said nothing." Other "eccentricities" included being a bachelor and being "a lawyer and red-

One applicant gave his "build" as "Scotch-Irish." Another, under "positions held," wrote: "Have always worked in the employment of myself. Under "use of intoxicants?" found these notations by applicants: "Not as intoxicants," "Do not use them—except rarely," "Total abstainseats, but if the chunk of wisdom er, dry as punk." The motives of one

> FIFTY NEW "Y" CENTERS PLANNED FOR CZECHO-SLOVAK REPUBLIC

> New England Man Reports on Progress in Russia.

> Paris, (By Mail)-The most serious worries of the new Czecho-Slovak Republic are the food situation and Bolshevism, the latter partly resulting var propaganda, according to Irving C. A. secretary from Prague who is in

> Food from the United States, brought in under the direction of Herbert Hoover, already is relieving no ticeably the food shortage, Mr. Kimball says, and the Y. M. C. A. is doing much to minimize Bolshevism.

When the first army of Czecho-Slo-

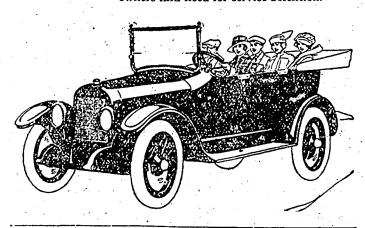
vak troops who had been with the French entered Prague January 3, Mr Kimball, who had been with tthe Foyer du Soldat, was with them, and now twelve Y. M. C. A. huts, directed by Mr. Kimball and E. J. Wright of while the wrongle was going on we Oklahoma, are in operation in Bohemia. Besides furnishing army ath-It would seem as though the House letics, reading and writing rooms, of Representatives have not always cinema and entertainment features, these huts maintain a systematic educational campaign against Bolshevism, so effective has this campaign proved that the Czecho-Slovak army has arranged with the Y. M. C. A. to increase its number of centers from twelve to ought not to be abandoned if we are fifty during the present year. The plans call for fifty new centers by the last of July.

> Making Friends. If one would have friends she must

prove a friend. We cannot play a grouchy part and favorably impress others around us. Whatever Fate has sent us or denied us in the way of good looks doesn't matter. If we would be happy and help some one to feel likewise, we must put self in the back ground occasionally and show to that "some one" that we want to be her friend. - New York Evening Tele-

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following business: To choose a Board of Directors t serve for the ensuing year, and to ransact any other business that may come before the meeting.

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Ayer, Mass., December 9, 1919.

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C. B. WILLARD, Cashier. Townsend, Mass., Dec. 8, 1919. 4115

RENTING THE NEW ONE WAR WORKER YORK HIPPODROME

That is the Sort of Big Deal the Y. M. C. A. Puts Over in Paris for the American Soldier.

Paris.-The Y. M. C. A. has been carrying on a real estate business in France that would make a veteran at this game stagger. Modestly housed in two small offices at 12 rue d'Agues- the A. E. F. "carries on" with inseau is the department which has investigated and secured leases on 255 properties, outside of huts or transient premises, for which the "Y" pays yearly 4,347,700 francs, or nearly a million dollars. In Paris alone it has leased 38 properties whose approximate annual rental is 2,397,000 francs.

The emblem of the Red Triangle has bloomed on some of the most results are illuminating. the famous Champs Elysee in Paris and your eyes soon inform you that the Y. M. C. A. has secured the well known Palais de Glace for the recreation needs of Uncle Sam's fighters, some of whom may be seen daily playmg baseball under the trees between the palais and the avenue. Not many know that the rental of this famous skating rink which has been converted the American Red Cross, are 9,618 mto an auditorium and equipped with men and women workers and 1,656 canteens is given free to the Y. M. C. huts. Of the total number of work-L by the city of Paris which owns the ers, 8,350 are representatives of the property. The expenses borne by the Young Men's Christian Association, association are those of taxes, insur- leaving the overseas war work unce and other expenses of upkeep.

heatre with seating capacity for 1507 are operated by the Y. M. C. A. 1,000, is another famous property se and the remainder, 140, by all other sured by the "Y". To see this thea war work agencies. thouting doughboys on the nights box showed that everyone of the Amering houts are held leaves no doubt can agencies has increased its per York Hippodrome? And the task conand the thousands of permissionmaires here, involves just such enterprises. Mr. Franklin E. Edmunds, Diroctor of the Legal Department, to whose initiative and foresight the early development of the department due, selected John T. Donnell, of Los Angeles, present Director of the Department, and H. N. Falk, of Minne spolis, field representative, to whip the situation into shape.

Through the courtesy of the cititens of Aix-les-Bains the rental of the nagnificent Casino there—the recrealional center in the largest leave area of the A. E. F. in France—has been given free to the Y. M. C. A. It has not been possible however for the "Y" to secure without rental any other of the chain of famous casinos at Monte Carlo, Nice, Cannes and Menton, the securing of each of which has involved a-task of three months of negotiations.

Unlike Americans the French have a custom of taking a complete invenory at the time the property is leased and a second inventory at the termina tion of the lease on the basis of which the depreciation is figured. In the official inventory, for instance, of the Enlisted Men's Club at 21 Avenue Montaigne—a beautiful hotel built by Napoleon for the wife of one of his Generals-are brocaded chairs valued at 5,000 francs each. This building, by the way, housed the first administration offices of the "Y".

The largest hotel property in Paris is the Hotel Rochester, accommodating rated from the usual sources of sup-500 men. In addition to the Hotels du ply. Palais and Richmond for officers, the Pavillon for enlisted men, and the 1,600 huts in France, is said to have Gibraltar for "Y" secretaries, and other smaller properties, the "Y" has leased in Paris two big warehouses. one of which is a six-storied building with a canal on one side and a railroad on the other, and three big garages.

TRAVELING SECRETARIES CARRY EDUCATION TO A. E. F.

"Y" Program Carries On.

Le Mans, June....(By Mail).... Now that the Army has taken over the educational work in France, formerly in charge of the Y. M. C. A. many "Y" secretaries engaged in that feature have become members of the Army, although nominally a part of the "Y" system.

An educational feature which is at tracting considerable attention among the doughboys just now is that on vocational guidance. A group of men, of whom Professor H. R. Harper of Boston University is one, is touring the camps and is meeting with great success. They go to an outfit, hold a mass session at first, followed later group sessions and, finally, personal interviews with the men, the subject being along the lines of the future of each soldier. The plan is to get them to realize that they should return to their homes with a fixed purpose in life-"not just to take any old job they can get," as one member of the teach-

ing staff put it. According to reports of an official sature, this plan is working well and many soldiers daily are expressing themselves in definite terms as to lines of endeavor they hope to follow in zivil life. Large numbers also are leternined to finish special courses

king a Plebiscite.

is a political term borrowed lium the French, meaning a vote of all the electors in a country taken on some specific question. It is from the Latin plebiscitum, a decree of the plebs, or law made by the, common people, and is somewhat similar to the referendum. A notable example of the use of the plebiscite in Erench history was in 1852, when the memorable coup d'etat of 1851 was confirmed and the title of emperor was given to Napoleon III.

TO COMPANY

A. E. F. stock-taking finds Y. M. C. A. alone averages secretary to every 170 men.

Paris, May.-Although the tumult and the shouting have died over here, and the captains, having assisted in effecting the exit of the kings, are themselves beginning to depart, the American program of war with creased resources and effectiveness.

The other day the A. E. F. took stock of the agencies from the homeland that are serving the doughboy. The stock-taking was preliminary to the newly instituted General Headquarters program for co-ordinating the work of these agencies to the best advantage of the men. And the

With approximately 1,500,000 dough boys still in France and occupied Germany, there is now one American war worker over here for every 150 men and one but operated by an American war work organization for every 900 men.

The totals as given in the resume for all the war agencies, exclusive of strength of all other organizations at The Cirque de Paris, an enormous 1,268. Of the total number of huts,

re packed with tier upon tier of Incidentally the stock taking n one's mind but that the soldier and sonnel in the five months since the tailors in this crowded city needs space signing of the armistice—the Y. M. n which to stretch his lungs and have C. A., for instance, having added 726 tis recreation. The rental of this- workers to its strength. This in-10,000 francs for a lease of 60 days, crease is attributed to the recognition, seems costly at first glance. But have both by the military authorities and you ever thought of renting the New by the executives of the various agencies, of an increased need for bronting the organization that endeav war work among the men, now that ars to provide entertainment for the the concentration upon the objective 35,000 Americans stationed in Paris, of victory has been eliminated and eagerness to get back home is intensified, with weeks and even months of waiting ahead.

With these resources at hand the General Staff of the A. E. F. has undertaken to supervise and regulate the service given to soldiers by the auxiliary organizations. General welfare officers are to be appointed, one to each combat division, each similar unit of the Service of Supplies and each higher headquarters. Their duties will be to supervise athletic and amusement programs; determine the proper disposition of huts, restaurants and entertainment halls; recommend readjustments where recreational facilities are in adequate or where there is duplication of effort, and to notify war work agencies of the locations of all units. They will decide whether there are too many or two few war workers in sary, will obtain details of non-com-

The welfare officers will have jurisdiction over free distribution of food and supplies by the various war work organizations. Indiscriminate giving away will be discouraged, and free distribution will only be countenanced when ordinary comforts and facilities for the men are not available, especially for sick and wounded and for troops in transit or otherwise sepa-

missioned officers and men to aid the

The Y. M. C. A., which is operating expended half the amount which will It has operated the canteen service at the canteen service, however, the expenses of the Y. M. C. A. will be reduced.

Some idea of the expenditure made for war work in the period which passed with the institution of the pro gram of co-ordination is shown in the record of the Y. M. C. A. This organization had invested \$4,500,000 in overseas huts and their equipment up to the first of the year, with an average maintenance cost of more than street and Fourth avenue, New York. \$10,000 a month. It gave away in Burial was in Woodlawn cemetery. combat areas, from last May to the Mrs. Von Hesse will be remembere end of November, goods valued at locally as she spent several summers more than \$700,000 and its Christmas here in years past, staying at one of gifts to the doughboys last year represented a value of more than half a million.

Its loss in the operation of canteens, done on borrowed capital, was \$600,000. It has expended \$1.750,000 for sporting goods for free use of the soldiers. It has leased and operated 37 chocolate and biscuit factories and seven sawmills in France to meet the needs of the work. It has distributed more than \$2,000,000 worth of books, literature and Bibles, free to

The entertainment bill of the Y M. C. A. overseas for the last six months had increased to \$400,000 a month in February. In three months after the signing of the armistice it gave 11,181 moving picture presentations, representing an aggregate of 35,085,000 feet of film.

Incidentally, the Y. M. C. A. had transmitted free of charge for the soldiers up to April 5 of this year, 312, 316 remittances to the value of \$18,-327,797.65.

External Substitute. Here is a famous Chinese humorous s'ory. A traveler stopped at a house and asked for a cup of tea. Having none on hand, the host sent his son out to procure some. Meanwhile the hostess put a pot of water on the fire to boll. The son did not return, and it became necessary to add some more water to the pot. This was done sev eral times. The son still remained absent, and finally the wife said to her husband: "Inasmuch as the ten does not seem to be forthcoming, perhaps you had better offer your guest a

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. McCoy have returned from a visit at the home of Mr. McCoy's brother in Manchester

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Philip Ross, Phonix street, last Saturday,

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. David Lambert, Shaker road, last Sun-

day, Miss Helen Authier, of Harvard, Christmas 'holidays with Miss Ruth Whitaker, Chapel street.

Mrs. Edith (Conant) Washburn has floor. moved from Crossville, Tenn., to Chicago, her husband having sold out his interests in the former town.

Leon D. Mudgett was presented with a silver pitcher in Boston last Saturday for obtaining the best/average at trap shooting for a period of one month. The pitcher is suitably nscribed and was donated by J. L. now, of Boston

Daniel J. Sullivan, ex-service man of Davis street, has been appointed ensus enumerator for the town Shirley and will commence his duties on Monday.

The Congregational church will hold s annual dinner and roll call in the hurch vestry on next Wednesday evening. Social hour six to st. 1; din-ner at seven, followed by reports and election of officers.

Harold Bell Wright's novel, "The hepherd of the hills," now in pictures will be shown at the Strand, Ayer, Monday and Tuesday, January 5 and Ten big reels.

Miss Vera Bradford, who has been spending a week's vacation at home returned to her school in Everett on Miss Bradford ome again Wednesday night for the ew York's holiday.

Miss Mildred Evans of Arlington spent the Christmas vacation with her nother, Mrs. J. W. Evans.

C. S. Griswold of Groton School con ucted the service at Trinity chapel ast Sunday afternoon.

Edwin Bridgman, who has beer pending the Christmas vacation with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. H. Bridgman, returned Sunday to Deerfield academy.

Mrs. Hattie P. Holden and Robert H. J. Holden returned home Sunday after spending Christmas and the remainder of last week at the home of Mrs. Mary O. Barnard at the village. George Haskins of Barre spent thristmas at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haskins at the

orth. Miss Marian Bridgman has been spending a few days with friends in Brookline.

Mr. and Mrs. Bennett and family of cominster and Mr. and Mrs. Henry arrar and family of the village were and Mrs. Amos P. Farrar at the North. Miss Eleanor Longley has returned to Bryant & Stratton's business col-

lege in Boston after a vacation of one week spent with her mother, Mrs. Aboie P. Longley. . Mrs. Edward J. Stevens, a former esident at the North, has been spendng a few days at the home of Mr. and

Mrs. Jennerson, who is living on the Howard place at Woodsville, is confined to her home with illness. At the meeting of Shirley Grange Tuesday evening, January 6, the installation of officers for 1920 will. ake place, J. Henry Johnson of Leomaster, past master of Wachusett will be the installing officer. After the meeting a supper will be served under the direction of the fol-

wing committee: George P. Hewes, Mary A. Holden, Mr. and Mrs. Lester G. Holden, Arthur R. Holden. It is expected that the lecturer will have the programs for the coming year ready for distribution at this meeting. Mr. and Mrs Arthur Moulton spent

ents, Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Farnsworth,

be available to it for use in France. It has operated the canteen service at the sick ones are getting along well. win and Mr. and Mrs. Otis Goodwin a loss. With the army taking over The only new case of measles reported is that of Aubrey Manktelow.

The ice on Mrs. Hattie P. Holden's pond was tested this week and found Mr. and Mrs. Harry D. Verder. thick enough to harvest and it is expected that it will be cut this week.

Col. James Mackaye, passed away on Greenleaf and Alonzo Wilson in the Sunday at Hackettstown, N. J., at the

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items. Mrs. Charles Boulton, who has been critically ill, was reported more comfortable on Wednesday. Mrs. May T. Worcester, Elizabeth

Worcester and Agnes Turney were Boston visitors on Tuesday. Charles E. Hardy and son have shipped over 2000 barrels of apples this year.

Louis Brown went to Boston on Tuesday and will go from there to Orono, Me., to continue his studies

at the University f Maine. Mr. and Charles Brown had with them for Christmas, beside their own family, his brother, Bert Brown, and family, and Mr. and Mrs. Jason Reed and son Lawrence.

Mr. and Mrs. Perley Foster and laughter, of Concord, visited at Chas. E. Hardy's from Tuesday until Friday

Mr. and Mrs. George W. Hardy enertained over Christmas Mr. and Mrs. Gangloff and children, Milford; Mrs. Flora Wheeler, Nashua, and Fred C. Hardy, Fitchburg. Christmas evening this friends think he holds his own William Sanders and family and other anyway and hone for complete reer friends joined them and shared in the beautiful Christmas tree that was onded with gifts for all. Wallace Bascom acted as Santa Claus. Light ill with bronchitis refreshments were served and a merry

ime enjoyed by all. It was through the generosity of friends of the little people that they had the candy for their tree the night

efore Christmas. Mr. and Mrs. Willis C. Hardy had is their guests on Christmas Mr. Hardy's two sisters, the Misses Hardy, and a cousin, Mary Hardy.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Davis visited irs. Davis, aunts, rvilla and Alice Hardy, & low days last week.

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Harold Hardy and family had with them on Christmas day Mrs, Hardy's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Woodbrother, Ernest Woodin Charles E. Hardy and wife, and Mr and Perley Foster and little daughter Glenna. There was a Christmas tree in the afternoon, Mr. Foster being Santa, and O general good time was enjoyed.

The basketbaal game on Monday evening was so rough and caused so much trouble the janitor deemed it wise to stop the game and cleared the

Returns from the Christmas seal sale are not all in, but it is feared that Hollis did not meet her quota.

John E. Bell spent Christmas with his parents, Dr. and Mrs. Frank Bell. Mrs. Laura Clark has taken a school in East Northfield, Mass., beginning last Monday.

Dustin Wright, of Boston, spent the holiday last week with his brother, David J. Wright, and family.

Miss Nellie Denault spent last weel t her home here.

Wallace Bascom is spending his vacation with his home people. He remont-30 below zero. Edward Hills has a new Ford truck

and Mr. and Mrs. C. A. Colburn are driving a new Reo touring car. Waldo Flagg and family were in

their new home for Christmas. Mrs. Marjorie Simpson, of Portsmouth, has been the guest of Mr. and

Mrs. Albert Hildreth. Miss Ellen Clark returned to her chool work in Northfield seminary on

Mrs. Maudana Verder is spending a ew weeks with her son and wife in Wordester, as she has for several win-George Verder spent Christmas

Tuesday.

here. Erving Simonds visited in Winches-

Mrs. Mabel Sherman is spending the holidays in New York. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Herrick entertained Mr. Herrick's father and mother from Winchester, Christmas.

Mrs. Archie Colburn and two children have been visiting her mother in Arlington, Mass.

Miss Elizabeth Robbins is spending a two-weeks' vacation in town There is a flourishing Sunday school

ended the Christmas tree there. Miss Carrie Brown assisted Mrs lora Hardy in her store during the holiday season.

Miss Mildred Rogers, who is in Brooklin<mark>e for a short ti</mark>me, was home over Christmas. Miss Francis Leighton, teacher of

omestic science and chemistry in the high school in Bristol, Vt., is one of the holiday visitors in town. A letter was granted to Mr. and Mrs. William O. Weeden on Sunday from the Congregational church of

Hollis to the Congregational church in San Diego, Cal. There was a Pilgrim lecture on Wednesday evening in the vestry, illustrated by stereopticon views, through the courtesy of Bert Keyes, who has purchased a stereopticon and Mrs. L. J. Farnsworth at the North. gladly loaned it for this purpose.

> The Christmas tree the night before Christmas was well attended and a good program carried out by the little folks and some of the high school girls. This was in charge of Mrs henix Baker, Mrs. Bert Brown and Edward Hills, who acted as Santa Claus. Every child had a box of candy and an orange, and it was as usual a happy time for the little people.

s expected there will be more of these

William B. Simonds was a Nashua visitor on Monday. Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hills had as

their Christams company Mrs. Hills' father, George H. Hardy; her brother Frank, of Nashua, and her sister, Mrs. Earl Davis, and husband, of Keene. George F. Hills and family went to t the North.

The Center primary and grammar returning Friday night. They were he guests of Mr. and Daniel

measles which caused an early closing Mrs. Emma Goodwin, Miss Goodwin, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. William B. Simonds and son Erving-spentsthe holiday with

Mr. and Mrs. George Wilson and family dined with Mr. and Mrs. T. A. Mrs. Emily Von Hesse, widow of Greenleaf on Christmas day, and they linton Von Hesse, and daughter of in turn entertained Mr. and Mrs. evening with a Christmas tree.

Mrs. Mary Hildreth, a life-long resident of Hollis, is very feeble, being able to get about only with assistance, some of the time being confined to her Mrs. Albert Hildreth cares for

Mr. and Mrs. William O. Weeden. who sold their place here last spring and went to California, have located in San Diego and their household goods have been shipped to them.

The Ladies' Reading and Charitable ociety will meet at the ladies' parlor on Thursday afternoon, January 8. The Woman's club will meet with

Miss Arvilla Hardy on Wednesday of next week. William Hardy and family, of Ar-

ington, Mass., were at Ralph Turney's last Sunday. Miss Florence Tait returns to

Brighton on Sunday. Ice cutting has begun, but those who

are geeting it in find the rough roads hard on the ice, breaking the cakes, A box of beautiful leaves from foliage plants or shrubs has been received from Miss Van Dyke. The markings on them was wenderfully beautiful.

some looking like a striped ribbon of

red and green. They made a very

handsome centerpiece for the Christ-Miss Bertha Clinton received a beau tiful bead chain from her brother. Charles, Christmas, that he made for her at the camp in New Mexico, where he was sent on account of his health He wrote nothing about himself, but

Little Doris Flags has been quite

Leslie Locke finished his duties as janitor at the church and library last Sunday and Henry Wilson will take

Ralph Hardy of Arlington is visit-ing his aunt, Mrs. May T. Worcester. Mrs. Michael Grant and little son Fred are visiting per parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Maypu a few days this



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Friends of Mrs. M. B. Dean will be sen assistant superintendent of the Congregational Sunday school in Har-vard, Mass., and also as one of the church committee. Those who re-member the good work she did here in Hollis along these lines feel the Harvard church is to be congratu-

Franklin Worcester and Hannah French are visiting William Hardy and family in Arlington.

Fred Mayou, who is working in the Nashua cotton mill, and his brother Henry, who works for the White Mountain Freezer Co., were home for New Year's day.

The second of four meetings on the Pilgrims was held by the Woman's club on Wednesday afternoon at the ladies' parlor, in charge of Mrs. May T. Worcester. The following program was carried out: Plano solo, Miss Rogers; reading, "Beginning of the colony," "Characteristics of the Pilgrims," Mrs. Annie Colburn; extracts "The courtship of Miles Standirom ish," Mrs. French; plans for restor-Plymouth's Pilgrim's historic spots, Mrs. Sanders; "Why we honor the Pilgrims," Mrs. S. Worcester; song, "Land of the Pilgrim Fathers," Miss Doris Lovejoy.

Big Year for the Farmers. A letter written by Charles K. Farey of Almont, Mich, to friends in "There has never in the own says: history of the country been such an opportunity for the farmer to make money with the prices they are getting for their products, if-they will quit buying everything they see-but everybody is extravagant." They are paying married men there \$70 month with other things thrown in The sugar shortage they know nothtities of sugar beets. He had bought few days before 300 lbs, at less than nine cents a pound and had ordered a lot more than would cost him eleven cents a pound. He says their cities are growing by leaps and bounds and he thinks the country between Sagamore and Detroit is destined to be the richest and most densely populated of any part of the United States and that cean steamers will load in their lake ports before long,

They have an abundance of water power, coal and iron.

Mr. Farley is a stanch democrat and thinks the failure of the senate to ratify the trenty a crime and that our boys gave their lives in vain. Two of his sons went overseas and both came ack sound and well.

Mr. Farley is the son of the late Mark Farley, a native of Hollis, who was a brother of the late Alfred and Jefferson Farley. He lives on the farm his father took up when he went vest (and it was then the far west) where he was married eighty-five years ago. Mark Farley built the first frame house in that part of Michigan. Charles Farley has added to the farm, having now 600 acres.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items. P. J. O'Connell was called to Cambridge last Saturday by the sudden illness of his daughter Mary. Eleanor and Reginald Storer, from

Nashua, are spending the week with heir sister, Miss Hazel Storer. Forace Hall has been appointed ensus enumerator and began his du-

les on January 2. Mrs. Clara Russell attended the Farm Bureau banquet in Milford last Saturday. Mrs. Russell has been appointed one of the executive comwith his sister, Mrs. Lottle Rockwood,

If you are contemplating buying a car for next year we strongly urge you to place your order NOW, as all indications at present point to a car shortage that will cause disappointment to those who wait until spring to place their order.

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lay with Mrs. Charlotte Shattuck at her home in South Brookline, All the schools will begin on Monlay, January 5.

Mrs. P. J. O'Connell spent Christmas in Cambridge, Mass. The young people have been taking dvantage of the fine skating at the

lake. Miss Mabel Popple was a recent visitor in Marlboro, Miss Pearl Elliott, of Leominster, Mass., has been the guest of Mrs. Eva Elliott, who is on the sick list.

Miss Edith Lawrence, of Boston, and James Lawrence, of Groton, spent Christmas and the week-end with their sister, Mrs. Helen Corey. Miss Jessle Farnsworth, from Mer-

rimac, Mass., and Miss Esther Farns worth, from Watertown, Mass., spent Christmas at their home. Mrs. Emia Dunbar entertained her aniool class with a Christmas Sunda() tree. A very pleasant time was en-

loyed by all. Miss Ruth Andrews, from Boston pent Christmas at the home of her ather, Capt, John Andrews.

Miss Edith Hughes, from Worcester s spending a short vacation with her nother, Mrs. Ida Hughes. Thomas Kilroy and William Hamolisky spent Christmas in Boston. Judge E. E. Parker and Capt, John

Indrews spent last Wednesday in Mil-

ford, N. H. They combined business with pleasure and enjoyed a very pleasant day. Walter Farnsworth spent Christmas

Wilfred Ouellette, from Lowell, spent Christmas at his home. Mrs. Emma Dunbar has been on the sick list the past week. Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Stickney,

from Nashua, and Mr. and Mrs. Harry Hall and family, from Fitchburg, were Christmas guests of Mrs. Adella Whit-The Grange held a Christmas tree Wednesday evening, December 24.

for the children of the Grange There were two small trees on the stage which looked very pretty with their decorations of presents and fancy trimmings. Edward Taylor imper-sonated Santa Claus much to the de-light of the children. The older mem-bers of the order exchanged presents, and a social time was enjoyed at the

A children's concert was held at the Congregational, church last Sunday morning. The children marched into the church, followed by the chair Miss Hazel Storer presided at the or-gan, assisted by Harland Whitcomb with the cornet. The little people sang and spoke pieces. Mrs. Myrtle Rockwood very sweetly sang a solo. A large gathering was in attendance.

Morton Klein, from Fitchburg, has been a recent visitor in town. A. A. Hall was a visitor in Boston

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Saturday, January 3, 1920

GROTON

News Items. Not many people in town perhaps ealized how fortunate we are in having a school physician and a school nurse to care for the children in the profintment of Arthur Woods of public schools. The bill before the New York city, a former master of house making it compulsory to have a Groton School, as chairman of the physical director in the schools would possibly be unnecessary it all towns Groton. During the year 1919 the school physician, Dr. A. G. Kilbourn, ansisted by the school nurse, Miss Cul-len, operated on 110 school children for tonsils and adenoids; 70 children were vaccinated. Mrs. Minnie Hodgman's kindness in conveying the chil-dren to their respective homes in her automobile after the operating has been much appreciated.

On January 4 there will be a rally day service in the Congregational Sunday school at twelve o'clock. There will be a special speaker. All the parents and the friends of the Sunday school are invited to be present.

the E. S. Clark W. R. C. will hold a during the war near a camp in Conloint installation in Odd Fellows' hall The E. S. Clark post, G. A. R., and on Tuesday afternoon, January 6. George G. Tarbell, of Pepperell, will Install the officers of the G. A. R., and Mrs. Hannah Whitehill, of this town, will install the officers of the W. R. C. and each member will be allowed to Charles Sherwin's store in Ayer. invite one guest. Supper will be serv ed after the installation. There will be a meeting of the Alli

ance on Thursday afternoon, January 8, with Mrs. Ames, at three o'clock. spent Christ Letters from Madam Loyson on her B. Gerrish. work among the refugees in France will be read.

At the next meeting of the Woman's club, January 9, in charge of the civics Tyrrell family for a short stay.
department, Mrs. William F. Mitchell, Mrs. Katherine Keough died

Miss Georgianna Boutwell took dinner on Christmas day with Mr. and Sharon, Conn.
Mrs. John McCarthy. Alfred C. Woods spent the week-

end with his mother, Mrs. Augustus

town over Christmas. Myron Breckenridge, who is with the Hart Packing Company, of Boston, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Breckenridge, of Chico-

been employed since last June in the missed.

loans and currency division of the treasury department at Washington, D. C., is spending a twenty-days' leave of absence with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. H. Breckenridge, Chicopee Since coming home she has paid a visit to friends in Worcester.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert U. Whitney Burgess) are at Short Hills, N. While the former, then a lieutenwas stationed in Ayer, Mrs. Whitney lived at the Potter house in Gro-

The audience at the musicale given in the town hall by the Redpath Concert Company on Tuesday evening were thoroughly repaid for coming, as they testified by their frequent and enthusiastic applause. The artists were Meriel Blanchard, soprano; Theodore M. Dillaway, flutist; Carl Webster, cellist, and J. Albert Baumgartner, pianist. At the opening of the entertainment F. L. Blood, chairman of the trustees of the Blood-Bigelow lecture fund, announced the next lecture by Mrs. Maud Ballington Booth, to be two weeks later. He also called the attention of the audience to the noble work done by Mrs. Booth in prisons and urged all to avail themselves of the privilege of listening to the mes-

David Murphy and his family have moved into their new home on Champney street, lately occupied by Frank Patterson and family.

Ray Bennett and Daniel Needham were among those in town at Christ-

Groton lodge, I. O. O. F., is plan-

ning to give its annual concert and ball on February 12. There is to be a union meeting of

sixteen agricultural organizations cooperating with the State Department Agriculture in Horticultural hall Boston, January 20, 21, 22, 23. Admission will be free. There is to be a special program for each organization, and trade and association exhibits of corn, fruits, vegetables, flowers poultry, dairy and bee products, boys will be given. There is to be a state-will be given. There is to be a state-wide competitive corn show, and on Thursday evening, January 22, there will be a big agricultural banquet.

Miss Helen Prentiss, a teacher in New Britain; Conn., spent Christmas week in town visiting her under, F. G.

Carpenter. Last Saturday evening a pleasant social gathering was held at the Chico peo row schoolhouse. About thirty people in the neighborhood were present, who spent the evening playing games and having a social time. Re-

freshments were served. Mr. and Mrs. George Wight wer called to Milford, N. H., by the death of Mr. Wight's brother, who died on on Christmas eve. The entertainment of the children of the school, in which the children of the school, in which funeral services on Friday, December

On Christmas eve, as Miss Cornella Earle was driving her car from her home to the yillage, she ran into

wheel and the tenm went by the place in the road, throwing the road throwing the road as his wagon tipped over. The injury was the breaking of the matts of the wagon. Miss Earle did

ne operation at the Massachusetts General hospital and is now staying in Cambridge with a relative until it shall e time for a second operation.

Mrs. Maria Bardeen is visiting her

On last week Friday afternoon and evening, under the auspices of Groton lodge, I. O. O. F., motion pictures of the popular story, "Little women," by Louisa M. Alcott, were presented in the town hall. The play is indeed a charming representation of the home life of a most delightful family.

Last Saturday Charles Chapman was removed from the Deaconess hospital in Concord to Winchester, where his back was to be put in a plaster cast on account of the injury to one of the vertebrie of his spine, received in the recent accident which happened while he was on his way to Groton.

Mrs. Myron P. Swallow's sisters, Mrs. Bryant and Miss Morse, are paying her a visit.

Lewis M. Knapp has been at home for the Christmas vacation.

Mrs. Bertha Se Gilson substituted in

the postoffice for a few days during the busy season at Christmas. Announcement has been made of

Americanization commission of the American Legion. were as fortunate in this regard as will meet in Indianapolis January 19. The public schools will open on Monday.

Lawrence Brooks' men began cutice last Monday, being eleven inches thick.

S. W. Sabine recently bought twen-y cows and seven heifers, which came from Vermont, and he is installing a milking machine.

As Miss Susie Shattuck and her brother Mason were on the train coming from Nashua last week they met Rev. George Turner, a former pastor of the Baptist church here. Mr. Turner was on his way to Connecticut. He-was engaged in Y. M. C. A. work Baptist church in Warren, Me. Turner inquired after his former parishioners and friends in town. Sydney Carkin, son of George Car-

Miss Davis, of Melrose, spent Christmas with Miss Helen F. Gay in Boston. Mildred Tozier, who was a nurse at Dr. Ayres' hospital two years ago spent Christmas with Mr. and Mrs. E.

Misses Irene and Dorothy Tyrrell ere at home on Christmas. Whittaker, of Boston, is visiting the

Mrs. Katherine Keough died at her hairman of the civics department of home on Champney street Sunday the State Federation, will speak. Mrs. Charles B. Ames will sing a group of years. She was born in Ireland and came to this country when three years She came to Groton from of age. were held at the Sacred Heart church, Rev. William J. Reardon officiating. Her brother, Michael McDonald, of Sharon, Conn., and her nephew, Ber-Misses Constance Jacomb, Ruth nard McDonald, of Hartford, Conn., were present at the funeral services. nard McDonald, of Hartford, Conn., Mrs. Keough had been sick for two weeks, the cause of her death being Shee is survived by a Mrs. Abram Miller, with pneumonia. daughter, Mrs. Abram Miller, with whom she lived, and six grandchiliren. Up to the time of her last sickness she was still active and helpful in Miss Marion Breckenridge, who has her home, where she will be greatly

A very pretty gathering took place at the home of Mrs. J. F. Smith or Christmas day. The house was well decorated for the occasion. A family of fourteen sat down to a most boun-tiful dinner. The out-of-town guests were Miss Josephine Smith, from Clinton hospital, and her classmate, Miss Hinol; Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Smith and two children, of Leominster; those from town were Mr. and Mrs. Harrison Hatch, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Winkle and two children; also, Miss Julia Smith. The family all enloved a happy day were indeed sorry to leave on the evening train. Miss Julia Smith spent the week-end with her mother, also visiting her sister, Mrs. Sullivan, of

Pepperell. At the meeting of the Odd Fellows on Monday evening the following officers were elected: Harold H. Woods, n. g.: Rev. Charles B. Ames. v. g.: Cedric Hodgman, rec. sec.; Davis, fin. sec.; George H. Boynton. Gilbert A. Durant, trustee 3 ears; Herbert W. Taylor and George awrence, representatives to the grand

Mrs. Lizzie Davis, sister of the late Abel Lawrence, who is boarding at the town farm, was ninety-eight years old on December 26. Many of her friends remembered her with birthday cards.

Members of the Laurence W. Gay ost, A. L., are urged to keep in mind he date of election of officers, Janiary 10, and make a special effort to

Harvey Woods and Wallace A. Brown began taking the census of roton on Friday.

Ex-headmaster Arthur J. Clough of Lawrence academy was in town this veek, calling on his many friends. He is now at Williston seminary, Easthampton, where he has entire charge of the department of mathematics. Mrs. George Badtman is suffering

rom a severe cold and a cough. It has been arranged that Rev George Driver, of Shirley, will occupy the Congregational pulpit on Sunday or it unable to come, will send some one in his place.

Miss Annie L. Gilson has gone t Sturbridge for a short visit with a relative.

Chief Dowling spent Christmas with his family in Marlboro.

The annual meeting of the Grotor Rifle club will be held on Monday eve ning at 7.30 in the town hall. This is an important meeting, as a vote is to he taken whether the club will be con-

tinued. The Baptist church held its usual Christmas party for the Sunday school on Christmas eve. The entertainment the children of the school, in which they did themselves and their teacher great credit. These exercises were followed by the Christmas tree, when Mr. Buckingham, acting as Santa Claus, distributed the gifts, after which team not far from Memorial come, Santa knocked down the chimney to freshments of cake and ice cream

were served and a pleasant social time was enjoyed. The dinner and roll call, followed by the annual business meeting of the Union Congregational church will be

held on Wednesday, January 7, at

mained until Saturday evening. Miss Hazel Thompson came last iday to care for her aunt, Mrs. George H. Bixby, as she is quite ill. Squannacook hall was filled with eople on Christmas eve to enjoy the hildren's concert and to see the beautiful Christmas tree, from which Santa Claus distributed gifts to every child in the village. The elderly people were also remembered by the Christmas committee with boxes of fruit, nuts Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Brennan gave a Christmas party in honor of their little daughter Betty to all the children on Bixby hill. Each child received a

CADWELL BLISS

twelve o'clock. The hour set for the business meeting is two o'clock. All members of the church who are un their names.

Miss Naomi Gleason is suffernig from an attack of rheumatic fever. William S. Woods is working in Ayer in what was formerly Kennison's repair shop, now owned by John Sar-

Harold Bell Wright's novel, "The shepherd of the hills," now in pictures will be shown at the Strand, Ayer, Monday and Tuesday, January 5 and 6. Ten big reels.

Church Notes. The Unitarian church vestry was the scene of a merry party on Christmas supper was followed by an entertainment called "Trimming the tree," recitations and songs by the children he Sunday school being interspersed comfort and sympathy to the family hroughout the play. First came a messenger to announce the coming of members of the Laurence Gay post of Christmas, and then the curtain was drawn, disclosing an interior with the were present. Relatives present from fire burning brightly in the preplace and the tree ready for decoration. Two children then came to hang up rades in his company, personal friends, their stockings. Next some older children came with Christmas greens to Eaton and Mr. Coombs. Mrs. Ames. lecorate the house. The next children of Groton, sang to appear represented the seasons of the year and the elements, who brought their contributions to the were received from relatives, friends, tree. Last of all came the fairy who Hollingsworth & Vose Co., the Lauplaced the star at the top of the tree. and the electric lights were turned on. Then at the close the children listened to the ringing of the bells and the singing of "Silent night," the song of Christmas-tide coming from the dis-

After a piano solo by Miss Ruth Bennett, Santa Claus appeared in full costume, announcing that being unable to use a sleigh, he had come from Maine in an aeroplane. A more genial and pleasing Santa could hardly be imagined as the gifts and candy were distributed with words of friendly greeting, closing with the promise to come again next year. The entertainment, which was under the direction of Mrs. Ames, Mrs. Gerrish and Mrs. Torrey, was most successfully carried out, and the entire festival will be remembered as one of the most enjoy-able Christmas celebrations in the history of the church.

The Christmas offering of the Uni-tarian Sunday school was sent this ear to the Near East fund.

The pulpit of the Congregational church was most ably supplied last Sunday by Rev. David Howie, who presented the cause of the Pilgrim nemorial fund and appealed to all present to pledge money to raise it.
A notice was read stating that the communion service would be observed ext Sunday. A notice was also given of the house-to-house canvass of the members of the church and congregaion that afternoon to solicit pledges of voluntary offerings for the support of the church during the coming year Any person who may have been omited in this canvass and desire to give to the support of the church, are asked to send their names to Mrs. Grant W. Shattuck, secretary of the committee. In the evening Mr. Howie spoke of his experiences in Y. M. C. A. work in France. ate in Everett to go overseas, and since his return has been working in behalf of the Pilgrim memorial fund.

The item in last week's issue stating that the Bruce family spent Christmas with their son was incorrect as hey went to West Acton.

Charles H. Dodge is improving

and Mrs. Lewis Woods and ittle daughter, of Buxton, Me., spent 'hristmas with Allen Woods' family; ilso, Mrs. Sanborn (Alice Woods).

Capt. Edwin Sampson left town on Year's day for his new position in Columbus, Ohio. Mrs. H. G. Harrington is with Mrs. William T. Boynton, and has been

poorly since Christmas. Mrs. M. P. Swallow is entertaining ier two sisters from Amherst, N. H. Mrs. F. C. Bishop has been ill are under the doctor's care fro nearly a

Dora Putram returned from Montclair, N. J., last Saturday.

her son Mrs. E. P. Woolley is passing a few vecks with her daughter in Nashua,

Miss Mildred B. Brown returned to er school in Springvale, Me., Tuesday,

West Groton. The annual business meeting and oll call of the Christian Union society vill be held on Wednesday evening

January 7, at the chapel. A. F. Cottrell left Monday to take up his new duties in South Manchester,

Burton Flewelling, of Clifton, N. B. was in town this week visiting his laughter, Mrs. Gilbert Wheaton, and Mr. Fleweling calling upon friends. has a fine position with the Canadian

government. Chester Hill was in town over the holiday. He has been at the Burbank hospital. Fitchburg for two months, and is much improved in health.

Miss Ruth Humiston, of Albany, visited at Mrs. Martha Tarbell's from Saturday until Tuesday.

their daughters, nois and Claire, were Christmas guests at Mrs. M. E. Willams. Mrs. Worster and the girls re-

rift and all had a merry time, Thomas Downs recently received an

njury to his foot while at work on the reight train on the Greenville branch He is getting about with crutches. Mr. and Mrs. Lawrence G. Strand pent Christmas in Lawrence with

heir son Harold and his family. Mr. and Mrs. Fred Barrows, of New York, and Miss Florence Barrows, of Ayer, visited their aunt, Mrs. Joshua Bixby, last week Friday.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Mellish and Miss Ruth Mellish were Christmas able to be present are asked to send guests of Mr. and Mrs. Melzar Farns-responses to be read in answer to worth in Shirley.

> Worcester, spent Christmas at Charles The Dodge family had a reunion on Christmas day, Earl, of Leominster; Mildred, of Brookline, and Mary, of Groton, joining the family circle.

Mr. and Mrs. F. L. Blood entertained J. A. Lamb, Mrs. Ella Keyes and her son, of Fitchburg, over the holiday.

Obituary.

The many friends of Cadwell Bliss were saddened by the news of his death on Wednesday morning, December 17. He had been very ill with the candidates. The Anche pneumonia for two weeks, and from composed of employees of t and friends, and to his comrades, the out of town were Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Bartlett, of Malden; two of his comof Groton, sang "Sometime we'll un-derstand" and "Abide with me." The flowers were many and beautiful, and rence Gay post and Bixby-Webber Co.

Cadwell Bliss was born on February 1, 1886. He was educated in the pubschools and graduated from the Groton high school in 1913. During his school life he was always liked for nis friendly manner and his stduious habits. He was a fine, home-loving

On May 1, 1918, he entered the serv ice as a member of the 2d Corps Artillery Park, an independent company. He was first sent to Fort Slocum, N. , where he stayed but a short time hen to Camp Jackson, S. C., and from there to Camp Stuart, Newport News. On July 10 he sailed from Newpor News and arrived at Brest July 21. He was appointed corporal on July 29,

connected with that firm until his ill-

mourn the loss of this young man, who and imposing a fine of \$15, which he has been taken away at a time when paid. ife seemed to be full of promise. The following lines are printed at

he request of the family: We have laid him to rest 'mong the we have hald him to rest mong the jewels of His.
Folded close in death's ley embrace.
We have pressed the last kiss, we have dropped the last tear
On the dead and the beautiful face.

Let him rest, let him sleep Where the lone willows weep, And the blossoms of sweet summ

wave, we know there is One, who his ashes will keep, redeem the loved form from the grave.

Fore you well for a while, faded star of our home.
Sweetly rest from all sorrow and pain Till the Prince of the angels in triumph shall come.
And restore your lost glory again.

AYER

News Items.

Baptist church-Preaching by pas for both morning and evening. ject, at 10.45 a. m., "Conflict and vic-Subject, at seven p. m., prodigal." Sunday school at twelve m. B. Y. P. U., Tuesday at 7.30 p.m. Prayer meeting Thursday at seven p m., followed by the annual busines

meeting. Frank C. Fletcher, Mrs. Daniel Fletcher, Rev. and Mrs. Frank B Crandall motored to Worcester Sunday afternoon and attended a recital at the Worcester Art Museum given by Miss Nina Fletcher, violinist, and Miss Helen Yorke, the grand opera singer. A family party was entertained a the home of Charles Scruton on Grove ing been on an extended visit with street last week, the out-of-town mem pers being Walter Scruton of Boston, William N. Scruton and family of

Fitchburg, Miss Hazel Scruton of Ar

ington. John Kells and family and

Mr. and Mrs. John Barrington of Greenfield Mr. and Mrs. Elson H. Bigelow, East Main street, entertained a family party at their home for the holiday season ast week. Among those present wer Mr. and Mrs. Leonard S. Bigelow and daughter Marjorie of Greenfield, E. lartwell Bigelow of Bethlehem, Penn. and Miss Natalie B. Bigelow of South

Natick. Deputy Edward E. Backus attended in important meeting held by the state ish and game commission in Middleboro last Tuesday, the principal fea ure being the demonstration of 'planting' trout eggs in natural prooks by Leslie B. Handy, of South "planting" Wareham, who is well known in hunting circles in this vicinity. -Al-Bicknell, of Westford, a member

of the local G. A. P., post, died early Vednesday morning from pneumonin. A carload of Studebaker cars, two light and one big six, were unloaded Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Worster and this week Friday morning for Alfred to a close.

Mr. Yates goes next Tuesday Yates. to New York to attend the auto show Miss Nellie Huntington, Miss Ruth and Fred Huntington returned Wednesday from their trip to Daytong, Fla While there Miss Ruth Huntington went up in an aeroplane 1600 feet and flew over Ormand Beach.

The parish meeting of the Unitarian ociety will be held in the vestry of Wednesday evening, January 7, at 7.30 o'clock. This meeting will be preceded by a "covered dish" supper serve club members at 6.30 o'clock. Anyon in attendance at this supper is asked to bring in a covered dish something to aid the committee in serving this parish supper. Supper served by the ommittee

The Old Farmer's Almanac each year becomes more and more a household necessity, and the 1920 edition ment over previous issues.

Services as usual at the Federated church on Sunday, with communion service in the morning. Subject of vening sermon "The epiphany." cial prayer meetings will be held or week Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings at 7.30.

The Right Rev. Samuel G. Babcock D. D., suffragan bishop of the diocese of Massachusetts, will visit St. drew's church on Sunday. orth in Shirley.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lawrence, of confirmation and will preach the sermon at the morning service at 10.45. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Smith spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. A. W.

Bryant, of Harvard. The results of the recent union fair is as follows: Total receipts \$1449.19, expenses \$165.12; balance of \$1284.07. The portion going to each church is as follows: Federated \$405.13, Uniarian \$359.51, Baptist \$277.81, Episopal \$241.62.

At a special communication of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons last week Friday evening the Anchor club conferred the Master Mason degree on part of composed of employees of the Boston and Maine railroad and has worked in other neighboring lodges. A list of its officers was not available for this After the meeting a buffet week. unch was served in the banquet hall. Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Smith return to Nutley, N. J., Saturday, after spending a vacation from his duties as principal of the grammar school there, with his

nother, Mrs. D. C. Smith. At the meeting of the union church fair committee last Saturday these officers for the coming year were elected: Mrs. J. W. Thomas, pres.; Mrs. Berton Williams, vice pres.; Mrs. Annie Normand, treas.; Mrs. John Traquair, sec.

It is Federation day in the Woman's club Wednesday, January 7. The speaker will be Mrs. George Mino Baker, the president of the State Federation of Women's clubs. It is hoped there will be a full attendance.

District Court.

Andrew Cowleggi, of Pepperell, was n court on Wednesday morning charg ed with assault and battery on Con stant Hardy, of Pepperell. Constable Joseph Shepard testified he heard cries coming from the direction of the boiler room at the paper mill on Tuesday night and upon investigating found Cowleggi on top of Hardy, was stretched on the ground with his face covered with blood. The story as shown by the testimony of Hardy 1918, and subsequently saw service in seems to have been that the trouble the Alsne-Marne offensive, St. Mihiel arose over coal. Cowleggi is employed gonne offensive. On February 28, 1919, he returned to the United States.

For some time previous to bloom as a fireman, while Hardy wheels the coal in to him from outside. By order of the chief engineer Hardy. For some time previous to his death wheel in two loads of screenings to one Cadwell was employed in the office of of soft coal, and he was doing so. Hollingsworth & Vose Co., and was Cowleggi wanted more soft coal and finally struck Hardy in the face twice knocking him down. Cowleggi The deceased is survived by his partite court to believe that he did not ents, Mr. and Mrs. R. W. Bliss; two thit Hardy at all, but that Hardy rubsisters. Ethel and Lida, and a brother bed his own face around in the coa and injured it in that way. He was The sympathy of the community not successful in getting his story goes out to the family and friends who across, the court finding him guilty

The Movies The Strand this Saturday offers Harry Morey in "The darkest hour." What would you do if two womer claimed to be your wife and you had no recollection of marrying either?
This is the situation in which Peter Schuyler (Harry Morey) found him-self in "The darkest hour." He lost his memory twice through blows on the head and could not remember the events of his past life. One girl was heartbroken, because she was his legal wife. The other was an adventures who took advantage of Peter's condition. One was poor and illiterate; th other refined and cultured. Which one succeeded? Fatty Arbuckle in "The bell boy." The fourteenth episode of "The great gamble" will be shown directly after matinee and 8.15 show this Saturday. Sunday, mance of the air," a super aerial photo drama, with Lieut. Bert Hall of the amous Lafayette Escadrille, and Edith Day, star of "Going up"; also, Florence Billings and Stuart Holmes.

HOLLIS, N. H.

Mrs. Anna Bell returned Thursday from a week's visit with Mr. and Mrs. Kenneth Wilson, Fitchburg, Mass.

ce and sprained her arm quite badly Mr. and Mrs. Irving Messer and a party of friends were in town last Sun-

Miss Florence Muzzey slipped on the

Unnual Meeting,

The annual church meeting was argely attended. Thursday, more than 100 doing justice to a dinner which was in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Jason Reed and assistants. Before dinner here was a social hour. Following linner the meeting was called to order by the moderator, Rev. R. M. French, opening the service with a hymn by the congregation. This wa followed by scripture reading and prayer by the pastor, and reports the different societies connected with the church. The roll call was answered by eighty-eight. Remarks by the pastor followed, who gave

vatchword for the year Michael 6:8.
Miss Lucinda Read was re-elected clerk, and Miss Louise Stratton, treasurer, with M. Arvilla Hardy assistant treasurer. Francis A. Lovejoy was elected deacon for four years and Miss Lucinda Reed a member of the stand ing committee. It was voted to hold the week of prayer the week before Easter, and to have the church records printed. Wilbert P. Farley and Miss Ruth D. Rogers were elected delegates to the county conference of the inter-church movement. Singing of "Coronation" brought the meeting

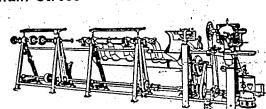




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Nows Items.

Happy Jack Thrift club has done a thriving business this last week of the year, the sales being sixty thrift stamps and twelve war stamps.

Barbara, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Howard P. Fletcher, is recovering from scarlet fever. No one knows where she was exposed, but she has exposed many people who have been kept in quarantine for a week awaiting

Mr. and M . John Traquair went to New York ity Wednesday night to meet Mrs. Traquair's mother, Mrs. MacGregor, who is expected by steamer from Scotland.

At the soldiers' club house Thursday evening Mr. and Mrs. Fairchild were the entertainers. They gave a playlet at the opening entitled, "A jolly good fellow," then some special characterizations in turn, and closed with a playlet, "Memories." The playlets were both original. These artists are very acceptable entertainers and this evening was specially pleasing.

The W. C. T. U. will hold their next neeting at the White Ribbon House on Friday afternoon, January 9, at 2.30. A good attendance is requested.

The Peace and Unity club will hold their fifty-seventh annivesary ball in the town hall on Monday evening, Music by Henry F. Hicks' orchestra of Brockton. The concert will be given by colored musicians and entertainers at eight o'clock. Dancing from ten

The January meeting of the Alliance will be held at the home of Mrs. D. W. Fletcher on Monday afternoon, January 5, at 2.30 o'clock. Hostesses, Mrs. Barker, Mrs. Graves, Mrs. Perkins, Mrs. Fletcher, Mrs. Crandall, Mrs. Lord, Miss Addie Harlow.

Capts. Bond and Frank, Chaplain Charles O. Purdy, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, Daniel W. Fletcher, Frank S. Pierce, John R. Murphy and Huntley S. Turner were among the Shriners from Ayer and Camp Devens who attended the annual celebration of Alenpo Temple in Boston on Tuesday evenng. The festivities occupied three buildings. Lunch was served in Horticultural hall. The order was conferred in Symphony hall. The Shiners had bought out for Tuesday night the Boston Opera House, where "The frivolities of 1919" is playing, and members only were admitted. L. H. Cushing was also present from here.

A dinner party in honor of John Traquair was given Tuesday evening at Hotel Devens. The following were present: Mr. and Mrs. John Traquair, Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Normand, Dr. and Mrs. Ralph H. Wylle, Mr. and Mrs. Theodore W. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. Eugene S. Barry, Mr. and Mrs. George L. Osgood.

Norman Gutterson, of Waltham, has been visiting friends here. Mrs. David H. Young is ill at her

home on Maple street. Mr. and Mrs. Charles E. Landers, of Topsfield, are visiting Mrs. Landers' sister, Mrs. Howard E. Blanchard.

Mrs. Charles L. Farnsworth has been entertaining Miss Anna M. Abbott, of Harvard. Mrs. Farnsworth is now at the vicarage for the present.

George S. Boutwell post, G. A. R. will hold its annual installation on Thursday afternoon in Hardy's hall. The W. R. C. and S. of V. will hold a joint installation in the evening. Supper will be served at 6.30 o'clock members of the three orders and their families. Francis Lovejoy, past commander, will install the post, past department instituting and installing oilicer, Mrs. Nina B. Lovejoy, the corps and Judge Alvah M. Levy, of Fitch-burg, the camp officers.

ington street.

Theodore H. Clark and Katherine E. Donahue have been appointed enuning their duties this week.

The following is the program at the Y. M. C. A. hut for the coming week: the library may be appropriate at this 2.30, program for men, address by A. Dimock, special music; Monday, vaudeville, comedy, current events, movies; Wednesday, 7.30, comedy, cur-

spending a month at the home of her

terian church at 10.45—regular of-the public library act after which the frustees were elected at the annual ord is my shepherd." Mrs. Sargent; town meetings. acher, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, the mister; subject, "The epiphany star." day school at twelve. The annual ish meeting will be held on Wedday evening, January 7, at 7.30. A upper, open to people of the parish,

has been planned for the evening, undergo an operation.

Miss Mary McManus, of Concord, has been unable to teach her classes at the high school this week on account of illness. Miss Julia Dowd, teacher of the fifth grade, is also out and Levi Wallace. The two men who for a few days on account of illned had considerable to do with bringing

At the meeting of Robert Burns lodge, I. O. O. F., Tuesday evening, the initiatory degree was worked on one candidate. Election of officers for the coming year-resulted as follows: George E. Millson, n. g.; James A. Me-Donald, v. g.; Leon A. Downing, rec. sec.; Charles I. Washburn, fin, sec.; Dr. C. A. Fox, treas.; E. D. Stone, trustee 3 years. At the meeting next week the first degree will be worked.

age, about forty years of which was number. Successors to the others have apples, grapes, mixed nuts, coffee spent between Ayer, Harvard and Littleton, where he won the esteem of all the survivors according to the terms with whom he had dealings. He leaves of the deed,

no near relatives.

W. Knights, Bradford Sampson to G. library and his name will always be

A. A. Quinty et al., Paul Tuttle by admr. to President Suspender Co.; Townsend, George E. King to D. S. Win, George H. Brown, Howard B Ludburg et al., Claude B. Reval to I. White and Huntley S. Turner. Th Lankiners, Jasper W. Stone et al. trs. vacancy made by Mr. Burns' resigna-to S. L. Messer: Lunenburg, John tion will be filled by these. The res-Smith to B. & A. D. Fessenden Co., ignation will be acted upon at the next land in the eastern part.

Sydney Carkin, of Groton, who has seen in the employ of E. E. Gray Co., has entered the employ of Charles Sherwin.

A special communication of Caleb Butler lodge of Masons will be held on Monday evening. There will be the installation of officers by Philip R. Andrew, assisted by Ellis B. Harlow, marshal. Supper will be served in the banquet hall at 6.30. The entertainment after the installation will be by the Beaumont male quartet of Boston, assisted by Miss Elsie Luker, reader, and Emma LaPalm, 'cellist,

Accident.

Mrs. Walter Winslow was seriously njured on last Saturday afternoon when she was struck by an automobile on East Main street, opposite the pub-lic library. She had just left Mr. Winslow's car, which continued on to Yates garage, and after waiting for another car to pass, started toward the library At this moment a Dodge truck owned by the Camp Devens Exchange was driven by Miss Ruth Peters, of Harvard. Upon seeing Mrs. Winslow come in sight from behind the other car Miss Peters applied the brakes, but the truck skidded and the rear end struck Mrs. Winslow.

The force of the blow threw her against an electric light pole and rendered her unconscious. She was taken dered her unconscious. She was taken in the truck to Dr. B. H. Hopikus for treatment, but did not regain sciousness until the next day. She was found to be suffering from a fractured skull and a fractured right collar bone, and her condition is considered to be

In the truck which struck Mrs. Winslow, in addition to Miss Peters, who was driving, were Miss Dorothy Peters, Lieut. Trammel, Capt. Wight and Lieut. Joyce. Miss Peters did not have an operator's license, but Lieut Joyce, who was on the seat with her, is said to have a license. There are many conflicting stories as to just how the accident happened, and Mrs. Winsunable to give any information on the matter.

Returns from Overseas.

Roy J. Jacoby arrived home last week Wednesday after a year and a half of service overseas. Mr. Jacoby was employed before his enlistment for over eight years as a staff photographer for the Boston Post. About the time of his enlistment in Decem per, 1917, he moved his family here, where they have since lived at the of Joseph Anno. Mr. Jacoby enlisted as a photographer in the air service and went to Minneola for training, then to England, and later to France with the A. E. F. The greater part of his service, in France was in the Argonne. He was discharged from service last June while still in France, and then went to visit his old home in Italy, arriving back on this side last week Wednesday, accompanied by his

Mr. Jacoby has had some very in teresting experiences and has brought back with him a fine collection of war souvenirs, including a complete Ger man musket, helmets, masks, etc. Not the least of his souvenirs is a fine col ection of photographs taken by him while in France. Mr. Jacoby has been Post again and has already begun his duties

Resignation Sent In.

in Ayer and now there is to be recordone that no one over expected to Misses Isabel and Berty Lexington, spent New Year's with their ignation as one of the life trustees of the public library; Mr. Burns has gone to California with all his family. His business is there and he thinks it very doubtful if he ever returns to merators for the town of Ayer, begin- These conditions have led to his resignation A brief summary of the history of

Friday evening, 7.30, comedy, current time. It began in a small way as a events, movies; Saturday, 7.30, comedy, current events, movies; Sunday, house on the ground where East Main street primary school is now held. From here it was taken to various 7.30, comedy, movies; Tuesday, 7.00, places by the librarians that had it in charge from time to time. When Ayer was set off from Groton as a new town rent events, movies; Thursday, open in 1871 it received no books from that library, but had a gift of books from Mrs Arthur Lang, of Springfield, is an association of Groton Junction, pending a month at the home of her known as the Library and Musical Eister, Mrs. H. E. Sanderson.

Mrs. Fred Rundlett is a guest this week at the home of Mrs. H. E. Sanderson.

ed in the great fire of 1872, but friends came to the second of the second ocated in the town house in 1888. The following year the legislature passed

own meetings, In 1890 Frederick F. Ayer of New York city gave the trustees \$5000 for the purchase of books. Before this money was expended Mr. Ayer pur-chased a lot of land on East Main of Ayer, Mass. They contain the chased a lot of land on East Main of Ayer, Mass." They contain the street and contracted for the erection words of presentation, the names of of the beautiful building where the the members of the committee and the library now has its home. This was honor roll. Unaks are provided for Mrs. John M. Wallace was taken on library now has its home. This was Tucaday to the Clinton hospital to completed in 1893. On January 13, 1894 Mr. Ayer gave the deeds of the place to the men whom he had selected gifts and if, properly filled out, will be as trustees: Benjamin H. Hartwell, a possession whose worth for the ownas trustees: Benjamin H. Hartwell, George J. Burns, John H. V. itcomb, Patrick Donlon, William U. Therwin and Levi Wallace. The two men who his matter about were Dr. Hartwell and Mr. Burns, who worked unceas-

ingly for the new library. The above six men were made life trustees for the library and three others were added to be elected by the three years. Ten different people had rendered by the members of the Weber acted as trustees before this arrangement was made, of which number were of Lowell played inspiring music. acted as trustees before this arrange-ment was made, of which number were Dr. Hartwell, Mr. Burns, O. K. Pierce

The librarians of the new library eight o'clock. As each man had four ple of the town.

The following real estate transfers Miss May M. Fletcher and Miss S. Adewere recorded last week from this laide Blood, who closed her connection vicinity: Ayer, Timothy F. McCarthy with it Wednesday, December 31, 1919 to L. W. Berry; Groton, William V. The longest terms of service have been Bixby to J. Bertozzi, Frank L. Blood by Miss Flora L. Bigclow, now Mrs et al. consv. to C. H. Wheeler, F. Law- Pierce, from 1884 to 1894, and Miss rence Blood ex. to G. L. Parmenter, Blood from 1905 to the end of 1919.

Charles H. Wheeler to F. L. Blood et al.; Littleton, George L. Priest to H. devoted worker in the interest of the

Priest; Shirley, Daniel P. Credit to associated with its history,
A. Quinty et al., Paul Tuttle by The present permanent trustees are George A. Sanderson, William U. Sher win, George H. Brown, Howard B meeting of the trustees. The town trustees are Lyman K. Clark, Berton Williams and Frank J. Maloney.

Reception to Ex-Service Men.

On New Year's day Ayer paid a handsome tribute to her returned service men and women of the world war. Each of the events of the day

was a brilliant success.

The first feature of the day's program was a reception to the men a the town hall. The hall was packed and as many were standing as space would permit. Seated on the plat-form were veterans of the civil war officials of the town and schools, the dergy of the town and the speakers of the day. The hall was richly decora ted with flags and streamers in the national colors.

After an opening address by John D. Carney, chairman of the selectmen and of the committee of arrangements the regimental band of the 36th Infantry rendered a selection. The roll call was an impressive feature. As Mr. Carney read the roll each of those present sprang to attention and an swered to his name when it was called Then he read the roll of those who had died in the service—Leon F. Briggs, Joseph M. Connors, Percy J. Fowler and Robert H. Saunders. The hall was hushed as a bugler made an swer for each of these names.

Special music was rendered during the afternoon by the Weber male quar tet of Boston. These well-known singers, whose musical talent and person ality have made, them so popular throughout New England cities and towns, sang with splendid spirit,

Major-General Henry P. McCain, the word of appreciation of the invitation picious an occasion. He expressed with feeling, his congratulations to the men who had been favored with

the privilege of going overseas.

Major-General Clarence R. Edwards commander of the Department of the Northeast, and former commander of the Yankee Division, received a great vation. This he acknowledged by salute, whose perfect execution was delight to witness. Three points in his address proved of deep interest to his audience.

The one act in his forty years o

service in which, he said, he had full authority, was the selection of the site for the New England cantonment that it should be in this vicinity. He told of his first inspection of the pres ent reservation as a proposed site and paid a tribute to the loyal service of the late Edward A. Richardson and of Thomas F. Mullin, who rendered him invaluable assistance in reachin a decision concerning the site. The it is far enough from the coast to be it is far enough from the city of Bos ton to nullify largely its distractions and any dangers it might possess; (3) because it is strategically situated on several railroad routes, and (4) cause as a district it ranks first in its health record.

General Edwards' description of onditions in France and of the psychology of the American soldiers provand handled, the American soldier is said, the best in the world.

The most interesting point in General Edwards' address was a prophecy The great function of the army is a school of constructive citizenship. The army cantonments of the future he Changesseem to be the order of the day sees, in vision, as a great school of democracy and manhood. This, his plea-for universal training at the ages when young men can best be spared

was the feature of his address Hon, John Jacob Rogers, of Lowell, congressman from this district, intreduced his remarks by reference to conversation with General Edwards in France. He had asked the general what was the utility in time of war of so much saluting. The general replied that he must answer the question negatively. His answer was, "The Russians

The substance of Mr. Rogers' address was a plea for a due regard to some legitimate authority. Of such the salute may be regarded as a sym-

Mr. Rogers spoke at length of the problem of the alien. He dwelt upon the obligations of the alien. He disappointed his hearers only in stopping short without emphasizing equally the profound obligations of older Americans to these new Americans who in the past have been too often driven by exploitation to the conclusion that there is no God worthy of love or mas-ter worthy of chedience.

Following the addresses George H. Brown presented, in behalf of the town, souvenir books to the service men and nurses. These books are attractively bound in blue cloth, lettered in gold and hear the seal of the town the personal war record of the recipient. These books are ideal souvenir

At the conclusion of the exercises in the town hall the men were led in procession by the band to the Soldiers' club on West street, where a dinner was served by the War Camp Community Service. The former service men were seated at long tables in the cen-ter of the hall. Other guests were seated at small tables to the side. During town, one each year for a period of the dinner delightful vocal music was

er will grow as the years pass.

A more delicious and bountiful feast was never served in the town, Young The funeral of Frank Donnelly, who died in Harvard Christmas morning took place from St. Mary Schurch on Sunday afternoon at two o'block. Interment was in St. Mary's cemetery, where committal prayers were read by Rev. T. J. Brennan. The deceased members and Mr. Burns' resignation and coffee ice cream, oranges, bananas, was a stone worker, eighty years of leaves only Mr. Sherwin of the original and coffee ice cream, oranges, bananas, Hanrahan provided the refreshments

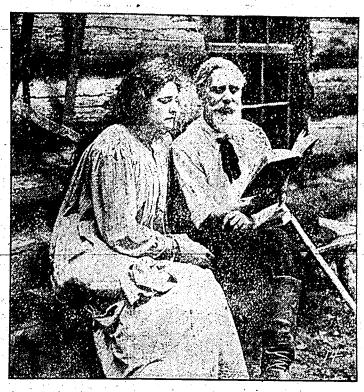
The festivities of the day came to a close with a ball in the town hall at of the honored guests and of the peo-Other Ayer matter on opposite page. have been Miss Mabel H. Whitcomb, tickets to present to his friends, those The following ex-service men were

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Jeremiah Coburn pacity of the hall. Broderick's orchestra played and thoroughly pleased the dancers with their excellent music. Attractive dance orders provided for twenty dances and many extras en-riched the program. Markham &

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DRUG STORE

Mr. and Mrs. Wilfred Valcourt have moved from one of the Fessenden mill yard cottages into the Adams house on Elm street recently vacated by H. L. Whitcomb.

C. Alfred Parker and family hav moved from their home on the Fitchburg road into the tenement formerly occupied by Jesse Lillybridge.

Mr. Burbank, who recently injured his eyelid on a hook in the L. U. Clemment barn, is receiving treatment a the Burbank hospital, Fitchburg.

J. Robertson, Jr., and family, Woburn, spent the holidays at E. B. Morse's on Townsend hill; Claude E. Hartford, of Syracuse university, at George Hartford's, and Miss Sarah Copeland, of Montclair, N. J., with her brother, W. Copeland, at the Copeland

At the Congregational church Rev A. L. Struthers' Sunday morning topic will be "Building on good founda-

Edward Bowen, who recently returned from overseas and received his honorable discharge from service, was the over Sunday guest of Albert G.

Mr. and Mrs. Abney, of Indiana have been spending the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Farrar.

An appreciated Christmas gift by the people at the town home was a Victrola with thirty records, given by the local Red Cross branch. Mrs. R. G. Fessenden, Mrs. A. J. Atwood, Mrs. J. Livingston and T. E. Flarity, the Red Cross officers, visited the home Christmas day and presented the gift.

Christmas family gatherings were held with G. G. Clarke, Frank Spring, W. J. Stewart, F. B. Higgins and G. Hartford. Mr. and Mrs. George Gates spent the holiday with their son, Chas. Gates at Waltham; Mr. and Mrs. Up-ham with their son, Frank Upham, at Medford; Everett Borneman and son Arthur at Penacook, N. H., Arthur remaining for a week's visit: Miss Wilner Marshall of Leominster and Miss Hazel Marshall of Melrose spent the holiday with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. E. K. Marshall; Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hildreth entertained friends from Gloucester, Christmas day; Mrs. Burbank and Miss Mabel Clement spent Christmas with friends at Fitchburg; John Bachelder, principal, and family are spending the Christmas holidays with relatives at Dover, N. H.

Mrs. Arline Clarke Moore of Amesbury remained in town a few days af-ter Christmas for a visit with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. G. Clarke.

Improvement Society Meeting.

The Townsend Hill Improvement soclety held their regular monthly meeting last Saturday evening at the "brick college" on the hill with a goodly number in attendance. Mrs. Fidelia Barber, the oldest member of the soclety, gave an historical sketch containing many interesting facts and in of the car were not seriously injured. cidents in connection with its history, and of the work accomplished. Despite her advanced age Mrs. Barber manifests as keen an interest in the present society as she did in the lyceum days of old and her literary ability is appreciated now as it has been in the past when the lyceum met in that same brick schoolhouse on the hill.
Capt. J. Gilmore, of Brookline, was

present and gave an interesting talk on his work overseas and of the people and country of France. Edward Morse, who has recently served on the Jury, entertained with an account of court proceedings, alluding to some of the strange and humorous testimonies given from the witness stand. Following the speakers bass solos were rendered by Robert Copeland and a community sing enjoyed.

Out-of-town members present were Mr. and Mrs. Harold Morse, of Springfle.d, and Miss Sarah Copeland, teacher in Montclair, N. J.

Church Notes.

Christmas festivities were held at Methodist and Congregational churches afternoon and evening. At the M. E. church a Christmas feast s enjoyed by all the members of the Sureas school, and in the evening the gifts, were distributed from the tree by the pastor, Rev. John O. Long.

At the Congregational church Christmas party was held in the afternoon with the following exercises: Address of welcome, Merton Jefts: exrcise, three primary boys and song by three primary girls; exercise by ten juniors, "Aerio messengers"; "Story of the Christmas tree," little Miss Gertrude Knight; recitation, Alice Heselton; star exercise by ten young ladies: Christmas play, "Chris Kringle's party," portraying Christmas customs in Russia, Switzerland, Germany, Holland, Sweden, Ireland, France, England and America, by girls in costume. . B. Higgins played the role of Santa Claus in distributing the gifts from the Christmas tree which charge of Mrs. Agnes Woods. Refreshments were served in charge of Mrs G. G. Clark and Mrs. Herman Knight. program was in charge of Mrs. Meade, Mrs. Struthers and Mrs. Cow-

The following, taken from a Syracuse paper, will be of special interest the home friends of Claude E. Hartford, son of Mr. and Mrs. George Hartford, Townsend hill, under the floor director. The club appreciates caption, "C. E. Hartford appointed to the efforts made to make the evening Standard Oil Field School"

Claude E. Hartford, a senior in the College of Liberal Arts, has received an appointment to the Standard Oil Company Service Training school in New York city and will leave for study there during the first part of January. Hartford was accepted for the train ing school in New York several weeks cago by Dr. Snowden, representative the oil corporation, who tours the country in search for suitable candidates for the foreign oil service. Hartford completed study for an A. B. degree which the College of Liberal Arts will confer upon him following the mid-year examinations.

He was recently chosen president of the Syracuse University Flying club. In recognition of the splendid record he made in France with the American mir forces. He is a member of the Sigma Beta fraternity.

Birthday Anniversary.

The ninetieth birthday anniversary of Joseph Benjamin Lawrence was ob served Monday afternoon at the home of his daughter, Mrs. M. L. White, by surprise reception when friends called to congratulate the venerable that he had passed the

nineticth milestone of a life filled with kindness and good deeds. Refreshnents were served the guests by his laughter, who was assisted in serving by Mrs. H. Warren Seaver. Mr. Lawence réceived many remembrances of fruit, congratulatory letters and cards in honor of the day.

and lived in Temple and Greenville, N. H., before coming to Townsend twenty years ago with his daughter, with whom he has since made his home. He is well preserved despite his advanced years and takes great pleasure in the activities of the town He is the proud possessor of the goldheaded cane given by the Boston Post and presented to him by the selectmen of the town about two years ago. The cane was first presented to Deacon L. Woods, of West Townsend, who was over ninety at his decease; then it was passed to Oliver Proctor of Cape Corner, who was ninety; then at his death

Harbor.

Mr. and Mrs. Charlie Richards are occupying their new bungalow, recent-

to Augustus Stevens, who was eighty-

eight; then it was passed to Mr. Law-

Mr. and Mrs. Galen A. Proctor and amily and Mrs. Helen Warner and Miss Lillian Warner were Christmas dinner guests of Mr. and Mrs. E. O. Proctor of Ayer. Later in the afterioon, at the invitation of the host and nostess, a theatre party was formed when all enjoyed Mary Miles Minter in 'Anne of Green Gables." That the cenario was laid in Dedham was an added feature of interest.

The As You Like It club met on Tuesday morning with Mrs. Galen Proctor. Owing to the storm several nembers were absent and it was deeided to reserve the program prepared for this meeting until the next, which will be held in two weeks with Mrs. Charles Smith at the Center, Mrs. B. C. Cummings, lecturer. Reports of committees for the entertainment vere given-\$16.35 being taken in. After the expenses are paid the proceeds are to be used for the benefit of the Harbor school.

Mr. and Mrs. B. C. Cummings spent Christmas with Dr. Royal P. Watkins and family in Worcester. On Friday Mr. and Mrs. Cummings attended the wedding of Miss Helen Wiley in Wal-Miss Wiley is a niece of Mr tham. Cummings.

William Colcord and family are spending the holidays at their summer home here.

Clarence J. LaFountain recently saw a herd of six deer near his house When the law was off how this would have excited the hunters.

Alice LaFountain is spending he with Mrs. Estabrook in Fitchburg.

While returning from Pepperell on Tuesday evening Charles Laws met with an accident. He was driving his machine down Fessenden's hill with the lights on the auto very poor. He pecame confused and turned out of the road to the left, the machine turning turtle. Mr. Laws was pinned un-Aid came from the neighboring houses he received medical aid. He is now able to be out. His machine was seriously damaged and was towed to the Harbor. 🕶

A very welcome Christmas gift arrived at noon, Christmas day, at the nome of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Ross. when they welcomed a baby girl, Phillis Alberta.

Mr. and Mrs. Earl Wallace enter tained as holiday guests his father and mother. Rev. and Mrs. Wallace, of Bristol, R. I., and Miss Wallace, from Brown university.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hagar spent Christmas in West Roxbury as the guests of Dr. and Mrs. Herman Peter-

Willard E. Gray, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Horace Burbank, who injured his eye on a meat hook in the barn last week Friday, is at the Brubank hospital, reported doing well and will be able to return to the Center in a few

Entertainment. On last Saturday evening the As You Like It club gave an entertainment and dance at the Harbor church for the benefit of the Harbor school. The warner's brilliant idea," each actress taking her own name. Local names, places and original jokes added spice to the lines. The characters were Mrs. Charles Noyes, Mrs. George Jones, Mrs. James Bennett, Mrs. Galen Proctor, Mrs. Adney Gray, Mrs Frank Conant, Miss Hester Burdett, Miss Lillian Warner.

The second part consisted of a plano olo, N. G. Proctor; reading, Mrs. harles Noves: songs, Irving Baker, Waldo Leahy, Ralph Conant, accom panied by Mrs. Frank Conant; readings, Ransom B. Adams; solos, Hudson Bray; an original poem, Mrs. R. The program closed with all singing "The Star Spangled Banner," while a tableau, presenting Mrs. Adney Gray as the Goddess of Liberguarded by a soldier, George

Leahy, was displayed. Owing to the cold and dampness the pianos were almost unusuable and Adney Gray very kindly loaned his Victrola to assist in furnishing music for dancing. Lawrence Morgan was i success.

West. Mrs. Mae Stetson from Nashua, N. H., has been a recent guest of her mother, Mrs. Mary Forsythe, at the nome of G. M. Streeter.

Stoneham are stopping with Mrs. Susan Morgan during the absence of Mrs. Vaughn, who is visiting in Clin-George Robbins and family from

"Mr. and Mrs. Fred Howard from

Nashua, N. H., have moved into the Reed house in Josselvnville. Miss Grace Hadley is a recent vic-

Raiph Hayward of Bayberry hill caught a gray fox in one of his traps

Mr. and Mrs. Rodney Lancey from Medford have been spending a few days with Mrs. Lancey's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Joseph M. Thompson. George Richardson, of Pittsfield, has

en visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Berard. Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Ely held a family party and a Christams tree at their home on last week Thursday.

Miss Emily Orr has accepted a pos tion out of town for the winter. Mr. and Mrs. Charles Donley enter

tained a family party consisting of Mr. and Mrs. Everett Petts and son Harold, Myron Whitney and Miss Marion Whitney from Greenville, Christmas. Mrs Ellen Pratt has returned from Mr. Lawrence was born in Masor

cominster, where she spent the holiday at the home of her son, Edward Miss Agnes Wilson, of Waltham.

spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest G. Wilson.

Ivers P. Sherwin is seriously ill at nis home and under the care of a trained nurse. Mrs. Lucy Lawrence is spending

the remainder of the winter with her brother, Daniel Taylor. Miss Georgiana McKean returned ast Saturday to Beverly, where she is

eaching after a week's vacation.

A pleasing Christmas concert was given in the Baptist church last Sunday evening under the auspices of the superintendent, Frank Hamilton, and the teachers. The program consisted of welcome song by the chorus, prayer and scripture reading by the pastor, remarks by the new superin-condent, followed by exercises and songs which were heartily appreciated by the large audience gathered. Songs, exercises and recitations by the primary department in charge of Miss Doris Tenney were well given and the girls of the All-Ready class gave readings and songs which were much enjoyed.

The Baptist Sunday school held their annual Christmas tree in the vestries on last week Thursday evening with a good attendance and a pleasing program was presented by the children, after which the arrival of Santa Claus, impersonated by W. A. Boutwell, was hailed with great enthusiasm, and the well-laden tree was despoiled of its fruit. The room was yery prettily decorated with Christmas greens and wreaths, the work of the boys' and girls' classes.

Mr. and Mrs. Austin spent the holiays with relatives in Boston and vicinity.

Mrs. Henry B. Boynton has been entertaining her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Blaisdell, from Maine, the past week. Miss Ruth Bennett, from Worcester has been a recent visitor at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter

Bennett. Mr. and Mrs. Harding Brooks, of Ashby, spent Sunday with Dr. Clara Warren.

Abbott Hodgman has recovered from his attack of indigestion and resumed his milk route every day.

Mrs. Fred Howard, of Stoneham, visiting at the home of Mrs. Susan Morgan, is suffering from an ittack of neuritis.

Mr. and Mrs. I. P. Sherwin and family spent Christmas with relatives in Nashua, N. H.

Miss Gladys Rawson, who is teaching in Athol, enjoyed the Christmas holidays at the home of her mother, Mrs. Herman L. Stickney. The Ladies' Study club, which was

to meet on Monday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Joseph McKean to take up the study of "New year customs in and Mr. Laws was carried to his many lands," was omitted on account father's home at the Harbor, where of the illness of Mrs. McKean, who is suffering from a severe cold and an at tack of neuritis.

Augustus Bruce has been on the sick list for a few days, suffering from a cold. Johnnie and Mary Coffee, children

of Mr. and Mrs. Daniel Coffey, have een ill with the grippe. Mrs. Davis, wife of the superintend ent of the town farm, is quite sick, and her daughter, from Woonsocket,

with her for the present. Mrs. Mary Heath took charge of the brary books at the reading room or

ast Saturday. Mrs. Edwards, of Fitchburg, is pending a few days with her parents,

Mr. and Mrs. Elliott. Adney Gray, was united in marriage his duties on the jury and commences to Miss Carrie Shattuck, of Pepperell, the work on the repairs at the late Boynton residence recentl Arthur Homer, of Washington

> A party of six from the Baptist church visited the town farm and left gifts for the inmates recently. Rev oseph McKean read the scriptures and offered prayer, and Mrs. Ivers P. Sherwin and Mrs. Alden Sherwin rendered vocal duets. Mrs. McKean as dsted in the singing and gave a readng, after which the gifts were dis tributed and the meeting was closed with singing "God be with you till we

> meet again." Mrs. Vaughn, who assists at the ome of Mrs. Susan Morgan, is spending a two-weeks' vacation in Clinton. Mrs. Frank Maynard, from Brook-

Mr. and Mrs. Abel G. Stearns. Lawrence and Priscilla Welch, chiliren of Mrs. Ethel Welch, and William he little son of Mrs. Mary Robbins re among the latest victims of the

measles. Mr. Gowan, of the M. E. Hodgman place, is enjoying a visit from his brother, from Ohio.

JOSEPH EARL PERRY

tate income tax assessor for Middle sex county, has resigned his office to take effect January 1, 1920. When the Massachusetts Income Tax

livision was established Mr. Perry was appointed to assist in perfecting the preliminary organization with the title of income tax attorney. Later he was appointed assessor for Middlesex county and has been in charge of the Cambridge and Lowell offices for the past three years. An income tax wa new departure in taxation in this commonwealth and its success pended largely on the ability of the men that were selected to administe t, to acquaint the public with its reulrements. During that period Mr Perry was a familiar figure at the oards of trade, chambers of commerce, conference with bank officers and many social organizations explain ing the intricacles of the new method

of taxation Last winter he delivered a cours of lectures on the federal and state tim of the prevailing epidemic of income tax laws before the department of business administration of Boston University.

Mr. Perry leaves the department to resume the practice of law, specializ ing on taxation, state, federal and corporate, under the firm name of Perry & Saunders with offices on Devonshire street, Boston. one of the assistants to the income tax director, has been appointed to suc ceed him.

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When farm work slackens in the Fall after the corn has been husked and the crops harvested, the farmer will do well to apply lime to the pasture. The pasture problem is becoming more acute everywhere each year. The good palatable grasses are disappearing largely because the soil has become sour, and weeds, tough inferior grasses, and in many cases, moss, are taking their place. Many pastures will not maintain one-half as many animals as they did a few years ago. Observation shows that it requires more acres to maintain a cow nowadays, than it did years ago when more careful attention was given to the quality of pasturage.

Pastures seemed to be considered sort of a God given asset to the farm They are much neglected in spite of the fact that grasses and clover respond well to good treatmentespecially to lime. One way or another pastures cost the farmer be cause upkeep of fences is necessary and interest on investment is continuous. They will not pay dividends without care.

There are three or four things necessary in pasture improvement. First in importance, on most of the areas, is an application of lime. Fortunately for the farmer, lime may be applied to the pasture at any time in the year There is no best time. The point is to get it on the land. The most convenient time is undoubtedly in Fall vhen farm work has eased up. At this time lime may be carted and spread with little difficulty, especially the hydrated lime which comes in bags and needs no slaking. Generally roads are also good in the Fall for hauling. A ton of lime to the acre is none too much, because in most cases the soil has become very sour during a period of many years of heavy grazing, and no treatment other than the dropings of the animals which are never sufficient in themselves. Very finely pulverized lime is especially valuable because it is so readily soluble and begins to correct acidity as soon as it is applied. If applied in the Fall, its action by Spring will have been sufficient to create favorable conditions for the growth of the old plants or for the growth of new plants springing from seed.

There must be sufficient plant food in the soil. To supply it, either barnyard manure or commercial fertilizers may be used. It is true that where manure is used, it will keep the animals away for a time, but that is an advantage in one way at least, in that it will give the grass an opportunity

to make a start. It will be beneficial to work up the soil with a sharp-toothed harrow to mix the applied material and prepare a better soil bed for the grass seed that should be applied. Spring seeding is usually best. Where the land i too steep to harrow, the seed should be applied when the soil is honeycombed by frost. It is important that strong, vital seeds, free of impurities are used, and they should be of kinds which will guarantee a succession of pusturage. Fifteen to twenty pounds is a generous application. For most conlime has been used, the following mix-

ture will prove satisfactory: Timothy, 10 pounds; Kentucky blue grass, 6; Orchard grass, 4; Meadow Fescue, 2; Italian rye grass, 1; Red clover, 6: Alsike clover, 4.

Many farmers are already using this mixture. Some add a pound each of white clover, alfalfa, and sweet clover If the ground is very dry, smooth brome grass should be substituted in the mixture for an equivalent amount of orchard grass and timothy.

After this treatment has been given the pasture should not be over-stock ed, nor pastured too early in Spring or too late in Fall, because the plants must have some opportunity to make enough growth so that they will have vitality to live through the winter. And, once this treatment has been given to a pasture and enough lime applied to correct at least a part of the acidity, it should be repeated from time to time to maintain it in good condition. The application of manure, seed and lime should be repeated every five years, especially the application of lime.

THE SUMMER FALLOW.

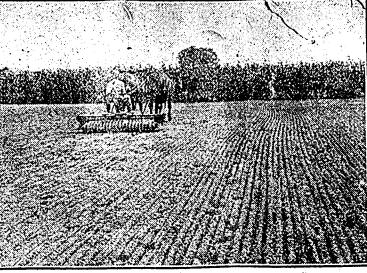
The effect of summer fallowing upor the conservation of moisture alone is worth the trouble and expense. Often alfalfa planting comes when it is very dry. It must have moisture, and it is well to conserve the moisture of the preceding six weeks, not only because the plants need it, but because it is needed in the soil processes which change dormant forms of plant food to active. These processes are greatest during July and August, when the weather is warm and summer fallowing promotes conditions favorable to them. In this connection the constant working of the soil helps to incorporate lime, fertilizer; inoculating material and organic matter with the soil and secure an even distribution of all.

war, due, it was charged at the time,

to the intrigue and aggression of the

Germans.

Division of Samoan Islands. By the agreement of December 2 1899, among the United States, Great Britain and Germany, the Samoan islands were divided between the Uni ted States and Germany, Great Britain retiring and accepting compensation for her retirement in the form of colonial concessions elsewhere in the world. This agreement ended a long script. series of outbreaks and disorder in the islands amounting to a state of civil



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WHEAT GROUND **PREPARATION**

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The Soil Should Be Well Pulverized

It is the general practice throughout the East to sow timothy with wheat at the time of planting in the Fall, and to seed the same ground to clover the following Spring just as the frost is coming out of the ground, Probably seventy-five per cent of the land sowed to wheat each Fall is poorly, or at



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least insufficiently prepared for the clovers and grasses which follow.

For wheat, oats, stubble, or corn ground is usually harrowed a couple of times with or without plowing, and, then the seed is sown with no special thought or preparation smal ditions from Maine to Virginia, where timothy seed which is planted at the same time. Sometimes a couple of hundred pounds, more or less, of commercial fertilizer and a little lime is used, but the practice is by no means uniform

Because clover follows immediately after the wheat crop some attention should be given to this crop. It is the soil builder of the rotation and deserves, good treatment and all possible encouragement. It is very important that the soil be sweetened by the liberal use of lime. Clover thrives best in an alkaline soil. It is not absolutely necessary, however, that the lime be applied prior to planting on the raw soll because the clover makes little growth until May and June of the following year. It is undoubtedly best, hough, because it permits working it into the soil. If this is done precaution should be taken to make sure that the lime is thoroughly incorporated with the surface soil and allowed to remain for four or five days before planting. When it is impossible or inconvenient to put the lime on before planting, it should be applied any time before the wheat is up three or four inches the following Spring. It may be profitably applied in midwinter.

It must also be remembered in planting wheat that timothy responds to lime and that the seed is small. It must, therefore, have a fine seed bed. In order that small seeds may grow the earth must pack, around them so they may obtain sufficient moisture to start and carry on the process of germination and enable the young plant to work its way through the Neither timothy nor clover start well in a lumpy soil. It should be thoroughly prepared and all the lumps crushed. Where it is possible to apply lime, it will do much to assist in breaking the lumps. It makes the soil loose and assists in crumbling the hard pleces of soil which so often prevent a perfect stand.

Had Him There. "Deacon Simms 'low he donn' apchurches advertisin'," marked Shinbone: "but when Ah aat him, in dat case, wuffo' he ring the church bell fo' service he jes' had nuffin' to say."-Boston Evening Tran-

Daily Thought. Let time, that makes you homely, make you sage.-Parnell.

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The actions of lime on soils are many fold. It is the common impression among many that it is of value only on low wet land which is commonly assumed to be sour. Many persons realize that soils become sour under cultivation and that lime corrects acidity, but there are few who really realize the importance of its use or the relative value of the different forms and the action of each. On the other hand, many farmers buy what ever may be had without full consideration of the relative value of the dif-

ferent materials that may be applied. Lime is a plant food, and in many cases its application may serve that function. Generally soils contain enough calcium to supply the requirements of crops, but alfalfa and other closely related crops require not only a sweet soil, but enough lime to supply their large needs of that element.

The indirect actions of lime are ever greater than its effects as a food These effects are numerous and are not the same on all soils. In heavy soils lime improves the mechanical condition and the capacity to take up and hold moisture. It acts upon the supply of plant food stored in the soil and assists the decomposition of organic matter and mineral substances. Most important of all is the influence which lime exerts upon the microscopic life of the soil, so essential in changing dormant to active forms of

plant food. The mechanical effects of lime are intricate in nature and less well understood than the chemical and bacteriological effects, and yet they are very important, though they are not

so easily measured. Burned limes are more effective in this change than carbonate (Himestone) forms. Every farmer who has used burned, hydrated or prepared slaked lime has undoubtedly noticed that heavy soils become less stick more crumbly, more fruble, more easily cultivated, and water passes through them more rapidly as a result of in creased porosity. They dry out more readily after a rain, and in spring, plowing or planting is advanced. This condition is brought about by the flocculation or aggregation of the fine clay

particles. Upon light soils the reverse is true. Through the improved condition of the humus in the soil an application of lime increases the cohesive power of the soil, resulting in a greater water holding capacity, as well as an increased power to absorb moisture from below by capillarity. While the reasons are not clear, it is common experience that limestone is not as effective in producing these physical effects on the soil as is lime. Relatively small applications of lime may produce a very marked change in the character of the soil. These physical effects are merely supplemental to the chemical and biological effects produced by lime, and when all these are taken together they account for the very general beneficial results derived from the use of lime.

SOIL FERTILITY, ACTUAL AND POTENTIAL

Because many conditions influence "soil fertility" it is not easily defined In a broad sense it means the power or ability of soil to produce crops un der certain definite conditions which cannot be changed by man. On the other hand, certain phases of fertility are distinctly dependent upon mai Potential fertility is measured by the total content of food elements in the soil, whereas actual fertility is that part of the potential fertility which is in such a form that it may be used by the plant. It is, therefore, the farmer's mission to so work his soil as to increase the amount of actual fertility by changing the form of a part of the potential fertility to a form usable by the plant.

Total of Fourteen. Put your mathematical friend to the

test by asking him to name five un even figures which, when added together, total 14. After he has given it up set down for him three ones and the figure 11. If he argues that 11 is only one figure, tell him that 11 is made up of two figures. If that solution doesn't satisfy him give him this one: Four ones equal four. Set down. another one in front of the four and you have fourteen.

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Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by IIZZIE JACKSON, who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her, the executrix therein named, without giving a surety on her official bond.
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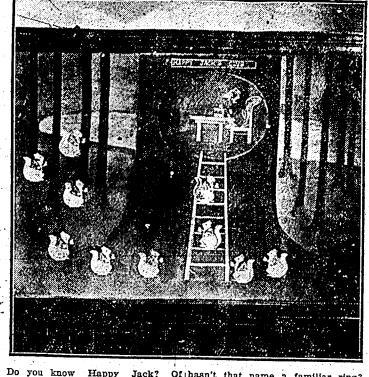
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Happy Jack in School



Do you know Happy Jack? Of hasn't that name a familiar ring?course you do, for he is the children's and is used in a school in Beverly to Main street school building on Monpatron of thrift; but that need not increase interest in the Happy Jack deter any grown-up from becoming a clubs. Happy Jack member, for even Presi- Happy Jack Squirrel is seen seated dent Wilson is one, and proud of the at a table, in the panel on the front

Happy Jack is represented by a in front of him, and a couple of frisk, keen-eyed squirrel with the cutest of fellows are climbing the ladder to red coats, and the wise sayings he add their mite, while other Happy puts forth are worth heeding. He is Jacks are scurrying through the fores well established in the New England in the same direction.
schools, where besides teaching thrift, This is the spirit of the Happy Jack which is his specialty, he dispenses a clubs. . In the school referred to, as

sunshiny spirit that is infectious. each pupil joins a squirrel is added Thornton W. Burgess, author of the to the picture, bearing the initials of Bedtime Stories which are the delight the new member. of the young folks, is the creator of Mr. Chace writes: "Our children Happy Jack, and he sent the above have enjoyed your Happy Jack Thrift photograph to the War Savings Divis-Club very much, and the pian has reion in Boston. Mr. Burgess received suited in the saving of hundreds of it from Mr. Chace, the superintendent dollars in Thrift and War Savings of schools of Beverly, Mass. It was stamps, which otherwise would have originated by Miss Lucy Larcom—been more or less wasted."

TWO PATRIOTIC CHILDREN.

A Salvage Play.

By Gussie Green, 10 years, Everett School, Boston.

Father. Mother. Children Junk Man

Benjamin-Mother, Emily and ave been thinking of a plan. Mother-What is it? I hope you've not been up to mischief. Emily-We're going to clean the

Mother-What wise children. know papa will be pleased. Papa (coming home from work)-

Why are these faces so flushed?

Emily-Oh, daddy! Did you hear about our new plan? We're going to clean the attic and cellar, and exchange the old things for money. Father-What are you going to do with the money?

Emily-We're going to divide it. With half of the money we're going to get Thrift Stamps and with the other half we're going to get seeds and see it grow. plant a garden. Isn't that right, Ben-

iamin? Benjamin-Yes, Emily, but you fordo with the flowers and vegetables.

Emily-Perhaps you can guess, papa, what we'll do with them. Mother-I never did see such children! Wasn't that a good idea? Father-When did you say they ere going to begin?

Mother-Tomorrow. (After School)

Benjamin-Emily, where are you? Emily-I'm up in the attic. Have ou finished your work?

Benjamin-No, I have just begun. t's hard work! Emily-O, don't say it is hard work. I like it!

(The children lay aside all the things they are going to sell, Mrs. Franklin he got cross. frequently coming in to see how they

are getting along.) I've found. (Benjamin hurriedly runs "He got cross so I put him to sleep."

up the attic stairs.) Benjamin-That's the silver brace-

vears ago. Emily-I'm going to surprise her.

(Children place the things in a bas et and call the junk man.) The Junk Man—Well, well, I debuy a Thrift Stamp. I don't know That bundle is worth a dollar

and fifteen cents. Benjamin-Won't teacher be glad! Emily—May Smith won't be plaguing the clerk what Thrift Stamps are for. e any more because I only have two He told me about everything. So I

Mother—I can hardly tell you how On my found.—your silver bracelet. grateful I am to you for finding my When he saw the Thrift card he said, long-lost bracelet. You may remem- "What is that?" I told him that it ber I offered 50 cents reward for the was a Thrift Stamp and it was going finder. Now I shall double the reward, to help the boys a little. When I so that I can help you in backing up said that he went into the postoffice Uncle Sam. I am pleased that your and got a stamp also. After that we plan for Thrift Stamps ended so suc kept on saving and were very happy cessfully.

"Nothing is final" said Napoleon gold mine for her owner. Take a lesafter Jena, in days of prosperity in- son from the hent. Lay up for your sure against emergencies. Buy finan- future by investing regularly in War cial safety with War Savings Stamps. Savings Stamps.

Relics of a Past Race. The great ceremonial cave or Kiva, where the people's councils evidently assembled, is located two-thirds of the way up the side of a cliff, in a cave inaccessible, save with ladders. The temple is carved out of the solid rock, partly by nature and partly by hand. Little is known about the forgotten people that once trees in this beautiful retreat in New Mexico; although many of the symbols of a race that was are visible in the interiors of the recently discovered homes.

SAVING AND HAVING.

of the big tree. He has a Thrift chest.

An Old Fable Applied to Present Conditions.

Save and have!

Remember the story of the ant and grasshopper? The ant worked and Mr. Franklin saved. The end of each day found Mrs. Franklin him with a little more added to what Emily, Benjamin he had the day before. The grasshopper danced and sang and fiddled his time away. Winter came; the ant had plenty. The grasshopper had nothing; he had not saved. He went to the ant and asked for help. Said the ant: "While I worked, you fooled some weeks. attic and cellar, and sell the trash for your time away. You can dance now for all I care."

Are you an ant-person or a grasshopper-person? Some time are you going to have to ask for help and will some one tell you to dance; or will you be independent?

If you save now, you'll have later Let the end of every week find more Thrift Stamps on your card. At the end of every month be able to show more War Savings Stamps past-Savings Stamps. Lend your money

Which will you be; an ant or a grass-

hopper? Save and have!

MY FIRST THRIFT STAMP.

By Ruth Blank, William Lloyd Garrison School, Boston. [10 years old.]

One day last summer my sister wanted to go in town. She couldn't go on account of the baby. I asked her if I might take care of him. "Yes, you can take care of him," she said. So she went in town and I took care of the baby. The baby was very good for a while. But half an hour later Seeing how cross he was I put him to sleep. I started to sew when my sister came in. She Emily—O, Ben, Ben! Look what asked me where the baby was. I said, My sister was delighted that he was Ayer to North let that mother was looking for two the afternoon. She gave me twentyasleep for he didn't like to sleep in ave cents for taking care of him. The clock struck four and I had to go home. When I passed by the postoffice I said to myself, "I am going to what twenty-five cents will do, but

all my friends are buying them." I went into the postoffice and asked Thrift Stamps. Mother, see what I got a Thrift Stamp, which was my

On my way home I met my brother

The hen that lays an egg a day is a

Rosin Cement.

To fasten knives, screw drivers, etc., securely into their handles of stag, bone or wood, without using rivets, bore or burn a hole somewhat larger than the metal to be inserted into the handle. Fill loosely with equal parts of powdered rosin and fine, sharp sand, Make notches with chisel or file on handle part of knife, then heat and insert it. The rosin and sand will melt and cement the handle into place. Its position can be adjusted while still warm. When cool it will be strong and neat.

PEPPERELL

News Items. A Christmas purty of eighteen gath red at the home of Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Willey, including the immediate family, with their daughter, Mrs. Harry Powers, and husband, from Brookline, N. H.; Mr. and Mrs. Lewellyn S. Powers, A. H. Powers and Miss Moore, all from Brookline, N. Mrs. Joseph Burkinshaw and Arthur Cook, of Nashua; Mr. and Mrs. Guy Willey and daughter, of Dorchester, and Mr. and Mrs. James Meikle, of Boston; also, Mr. and Mrs. James Rodier, of this town. The party was merry one and a feature of the evening was a very handsome Christmas tree, decorated with many electric lights, arranged by Mr. Willey, of Dorchester, who is an electrician illumined tree was a beautiful parlor

rnament. Mr. and Mrs. Leo Russell, of Law. ence, were holiday guests in town at Amos Boulia's.

I. F. Salter, formerly of the mill force here in town, came from his present position in a mill in Pittsfield to remain over the holidays with his amily on Mill street. He returned on Monday morning.

Ada Hill, from Billerica, has been guest of her aunt, Mrs. Lyman Robbins, during a part of her school vacation

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Tiernan were ioliday visitors in town, from Fitchburg.

The annual meeting of the District Sursing association will be held in the day evening, January 5, at eight o'clock. Board meeting at 7.30. Thi will be an important meeting, as there is to be discussion regarding the future of district nursing, and all citizens are urged to be present.

The following clipping was taken from a Boston daily, date of December 30: Rodman R. Blake, of East Pepperell, was found guilty in the disrict court (Lowell) this afternoon on a charge of recklessly operating an automobile on Pawtucket boulevard in each pupil joins a squirrel is added Lowell, on October 25, last. He was sentenced to four months in the house of correction. He appealed and furnished \$500 security for his appearance in the superior court. Seven per sons were injured in the head-on colwhich it is alleged was caused by Blake's reckless driving. One of the men injured, Clarence E. Sibley. left the hospital for the first time to day since the accident. Blake testified that he was attempting to avoid defective portion of the roadway and in doing so turned to the left and thus met the automobile of Mr. and Mrs. Albert Howard, coming from Tyngs-

> Wendell Lovejoy and wife have been it their home on Pleasant street, from Worcester, spending Christmas day with Mrs. Lovejoy's mother, Mrs. Spaulding, in Hollis, N. H. They have arranged to pack their goods for the present until a suitable rent can be found in the city, and Mrs. Lovejoy has' remained here this week to attend to the same.

Mrs. Ada Whitney went to Nashua N. H., last week to spend the holidays with her cousins, the Halls, and will probably prolong her visit for

Mr. and Mrs. George Proctor, of Sashua, N. H., were New Year guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Harris. Mrs. Proctor will be recalled by many as Miss Lois Patterson, who has often visited her sister, Mrs. Harris, in the past, residing then in South Merri mack, N. H.

Lloyd Tower, midshipman at the Annapolis Naval academy, spent Christmas with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. N. Tower. He returned on Saturday. Other guests at the home for the ed on your certificate. Buy 1919 War day were Miss Mabel Spooner, who arto the Government at four per cent Mrs. Mary Maltman and daughter interest, compounded quarterly, and Katherine and Charles H. Jewett of rived from Petersham on Wednesday this town.

Take stock of yourself! What are Miss Gertrude Cramton of St. Johns-you worth? Will next New Year's bury, Vt., a Wellesley college student, day find you worth more or less? was a guest at Mrs.

week-end, Frederic Mills from Boston spent the ioliday last week with his parents, Rev. and Mrs. F. E. Mills, Oak hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Blood from Gardner were Christmas guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Bartlett. Ray Willoughby, traveling salesman for a Boston grain firm, was in town over the week-end, Ralph Willoughby from Ayer also spending Christmas ere with relatives.

Mrs. L A. Lawrence is improving slowly from her illness of several ach day. Her sister Mrs Monroe is till with her and a daughter. Mrs. firm, to join the party. Harriet Hall, from Nashua, spent Christmas at home.

A shipment was made from here by J. A. Frossard last week to an English firm, or paper manufacturers, of five cases containing his calendar cleaner or "doctors" as he names them. The eases went from here by express.

Mr. and Mrs. George Shaw passed their Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. Martin, and family, at Worcester. A. J. Geiger took a short vacation

the week-end, visiting at Somerville, his son Philip accompanying him, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Marchant and aughters went to visit at Leominster ver the holiday last week.

The goods of Fred Bancroft went from here by auto truck last week to forts, feeling much in this misfortune. Bancroft has been staying here until he can dispose of some of the stock. irs. Bancroft's mother, Mrs. L. E. lilson, is stopping for the presnt with drs. C. Truman Williams.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren Blood, with Mr. and Mrs. John Fredericks as their nity Christmas tree, about midnight, guests, drove to Brookline, N. H., on closing with "Auld Lang Syne" and Christmas day for a pleasant wisit the turning off of the electric lights with Mrs. Fredericks' mother, Mrs. Martha Blood, at Mr. Ball's home. The tree and its maintenance during the wergreen trees bordering their road. dusted with the light snow of the prev-lous evening, made their trip doubly pleasant. All that was lacking for a typical Christmas ride was sleighing with the merry bells.

Frank Hills visited his mother, Mrs Catherine Hills, over the week-end to Woman's club and the P. H. S. celebrate her birthday on December 28. He is now in the navy on the U.S. S. Utah, the flagship of the 6th divis. The Utah is of the fleet that it is for taking away the tree. expected may soon be sent to South America waters, for target practice.

David Sharpe, a former employee a he paper mills here in town, came from Elkton, Md., to spend Christmas with his family on Pleasant street. Albert Wesnosky and his small son Albert, ir., went to Bristol, Conn ... to

uto accessories.

here in the little mills where he is teacher at Mt. Ida. machine tender, on Monday. Mr. Hos. kins was formerly employed here in the papermill, but is now working in a clock factory.

Mrs. Mary Jordan, who has been in millinery and dressmaking parlors in Nashua, N. H., for some time, is having a vacation at present at her home on Cross street.

Mr. and Mrs. George A. Stewart, Brookline street, had a fine Christmas gift in the shape of nine-pound daughter, born on Christmas night.

Mr. and Mrs. William Jewett-spent Christmas day with her relatives in Groton.

Misses Emilie and Lorraine Geiger have been patients at St. Joseph's hospital in Nashua for the removal of They returned home on last Saturday.

Charles Lorden, who recently purchased the ice business formerly conlucted by Silas Nokes, was in town this week to make preparations for returning here from his work Brookline, long enough to harvest his Ice for the coming season. He has already put the houses in readiness to receive the ice. Reed's pond, from which he cuts, is one of the latest hereabouts to freeze over. He reports toout twelve inches there at present.

John O'Neal has been confined to ils home on Brookline street since the atter part of last week, from the ef- Christmus Observance. fects of wound on the leg from the tick of a horse which he was using to hoist ice. The cut was not large and apparently did not affect the bone. but since Sunday it has been troubling him by a swelling in the ankle and foot, and the attending physician fears it will have to be opened before a proper healing process will commence.

James Attridge was in town from Boston with his family on Brookline street over the holiday and remainder of the week. It is now stated he will emain here permanently, reentering the firm of Attridge Bros. He left the same about a year ago to become connected with the wholesale grocers Webster, Thomas & Co.

The new superintendent of schools of this district to succeed Thomas E. Benner, resigned, is George B. Clarke. of Leicester, who will enter upon his duties about January 15. Mr. Clarke s highly recommended by the state board and has an eight-year experince as superintendent. His superintendencies include Cheshire, Hancock Lanesboro, New Ashford and Charlton and Leicester, Mr. Clarke will probably take up his residence among us next spring, but will endeavor to find a boarding place until that time, as his mother, who resides with him, is not sufficiently strong to make the renoval here in cold weather.

Mrs. L. D. Cushing, with Misses Ruth and Dorothy Fairfield, from Wellesley college, have been in town at the Pierce farm over the holidays returning next week to their school and duties. Miss Ruth Faulkenstein, of Somer-

ville, and Miss Dolly Davey, of Cam-bridge, with Carleton Turner, Harvard have been holiday guests at Villa Lorraine with the Misses Geiger. Miss Eleanor Geiger returns to her

duties at the Fitchburg Normal school his week after a week's vacation. Miss Maybelle Howe, student at the Carnegie Institute, Pittsburgh, Pa., did not attempt to come to her home for hristmas because of the distance and shortness of her vacation. Her letters, however, indicate that she was well entertained by friends outside of the chool, as well as at the school by the faculty, as many of the students re-mained there over the holidays. With 4700 students from all parts of the globe it is not strange that her Christmas was an interesting one. It was her first Christmas away from her own

than she missed them. Mrs. Julia Robbins, who came from Nashua for the holidays, remained of Mrs. Cook's class. over at her home on Mill street for a

family, who perhaps missed her more

part of this week also. Mr. and Mrs George spent Christmas with their daughter, Mrs. George Herrig, and family, of

Somerville. Frederic Wilson came from Dover ast week to join a family party on Christmas day at the home of his mother, Mrs. Jessie Wilson, Brook-

line street. Mr. and Mrs. Thomas F. Tarbell. from Hartford, Conn., came here for the holiday at the home of Mrs. Tarbell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Farley. Mr. Tarbell was obliged to return on Friday, Mrs. Tarbell remaining until this week. Harold Farley weeks ago, being able to sit up a little also came from Baltimore, Md., where he is connected with an insurance

> Mrs. W. W. Gillespie was given deasant outing on Christmas day by an invitation to the home of George Pierce Gillespie, Groton, where he is very nicely situated with his wife and young son. An auto was sent for Mrs. Gillespie, who is an invalid, and had not been in Groton before for about ten years. The invitatian also included her sister, Miss Minerva Miller, and Merle Gillespie, and all enjoyed their fine ride and abundant hospitality of host and hostess.

Mrs. Frank Kilbourn is recovering rom a severe burn on the head, which has made her seriously ill. She has been under the care of a physician, and many of her neighbors and friends have aided in ministering to her comforts, feeling much sympathy for her A meeting of the Community Service club was held on Monday evening

with Miss Mae Meriam. Plans were made to hold a celebration of Nev Year's eve, which should end with the singing of hymns around the commu week are acknowledged as received from Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., the East Village Social club, Mrs. J. Walter Smith, the girls of the Pepperell Card & Paper Co., Mrs. Amy Shattuck and N. S. Shattuck. contributions yet to come in are the Alumni. It is expected that a sufficient amount will be received from all sources to cover expenses and pay Miss Effic Merrill, of Bostor, was

Christmas day guest at the home of Sydney Tower went to Boston on her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Lucius Wildonday, where he has taken a position with Burton & Rogers, dealers in duties on Monday. Allen Corane was also their guest over the holiday, coming from Boston. Letters have been received from

Mrs. L. E. Starr announcing her safe arrival with the little girl, Marlon at Green Cove Springs, Fla.

J. W. Hoskins, returning to his work her guest, Miss Crawford, vocal hop. The business included plans for The dining-room was trimmed with Christians green-ery, and Miss Crawford poured Guests were also privileged to listen to solos by Miss Crawford and Miss Wright during the afternoon.

The East Village Social club will postpone their annual New Year dinner, planned for next week; but will hold a business meeting at the home of Mrs. N. W. Appleton on Wednesday afternoon, January 7, at three George Hayes, a student at the Wor-

his holiday vacation at the home of his mother, Mrs. Arthur Hayes, Townsend street. Miss Edna Tarbell assisted at the Tarbell dry goods store over the holi-

cester Polytechnic, has been spending

lays. Mr. and Mrs. Roswell Lawson went to South Brooking, N. H., to join a dinner party at the home of Mrs. C. A. Stickney.

Nashua road.

Harold Bell Wright's novel, "The hepherd of the hills, now in pictures will be shown at the Strand, Ayer, 6. Ten big reels.

A Christmas celebration with tree loaded with giffs, was held at the Community church, Christmas night. There was a program of Christmas music and antly filled on Friday evening with a recitation in the vestry, commencing with a song by six girls, and including one of the best features of the occarecitations by Geraldine Parker, Mar jory Maxwell, Katherine Parker and Gwenn Parker; solo, Betty Hutchinson, and Christmas carols by all, with piano accompaniment played by Miss Marguerite Deware. After all formed in line, the smallest children leading and the older ones, falling in behind and marched upstairs into the audi-torium of the church, where the tree was placed. The march first led them to the front of the pulpit where there was a gift manger, and where each one deposited their offerings before being seated at the front of the church Contrary to the usual custom of providing gifts only for the junior department, nearly all the church school except the adult classes, had gifts on the tree. Santa Claus was well im personated by H. L. Nutting, as in former years, and the tree was soon stripped of its fruit for the pleasure of the company.

A feature of gift-making this year ook the practical form of canned fruit, vegetables and other useful household necessities, which were presented to Rev. and Mrs. Drawbridg and conveyed to their new home by the children as Christmas messengers of plenty.

Church Notes.

At the Methodist church on Sunday morning worship at 10.45; theme 'Palm tree christians.' Church Church school at twelve o'clock. At 6.45 a meeting for boys in the chapel and girls in the parsonage. At 7.30 evening worship; theme, "Unconscious influence." Tuesday evening at 7.30 regular prayer meeting; subject, "Unselfishness in prayer."

The first annual meeting of the Community Church Workers will be held at 2,30. Thursday afternoon, January , in the church parlor. Reports from officers and committees are expected. There will be a free supper at 6.30 for all members of the Community Church Workers, and all who wish to become members. In the contest in the church school

six new members were brought in last Sunday. Only two more Sundays are left for the contest. Mrs. Addison Woodward's class had the banner last Sunday. The decorations at the church on Sunday are to be in charge The decorations at the

At the Community church on Sunday morning the pastor will preach at New York on Sunday, Miss Marlon on "The at 12.10. Service of preaching at seven in the evening.

Frank West Post, A. L.

The meeting of the Frank West post, A. L., held at Saunders' hall on Monday evening, had a fairly good atwas transacted and new officers elected as follows: Douglass Deware, Gerald Willett and Mr. McGrath, assistant finance officers; Dana Merrill, chap-lain; William Breen, historian; Harold

Hayes, insurance officer It was voted that the Frank West post take in all members of Thomas A. Parker post as honorary members It was also voted that Conrad Year ton be elected chairman of committee

of entertainments, Annual dues are payable January 1 with thirty days of grace. At the expiration of that time any member neglecting to pay will not be carried as a member of the legion. The dues for

new members \$3.50 Christmas at Oak Hill Hall.

All the young portion of the families on Oak hill and vicinity and apparently some of the elders, joined in a Christmas celebration at their hall on Christeve, about seventy-five filling the hall lief that America's paramount need is very well. The decorations were in keeping with the Yule-tide season, with a resplendent tree as a finishing touch. Well laden with presents for old and young, it was a sight to glad-den the eye and touch the heart,

The appearance of Santa-Claus-was hailed with as much joy as in former years, although some might have penetrated his disguise and recognized a certain kind resident of the hill, by name Stewart, who has "filled the bill" so well in past years, to the loy of the children. After the distribution of members will respond to the call with the numerous gifts the entertainment quotations. The ladies are asked to committee offered a fine program, conisting of Christmas songs by the chorus choir of young ladies, singling by the children, a Christmas play, entitled, "Santa Claus" volunteers," by eight mall children, and several recitations appropriate to the occasion, by the litle ones, who one and all took their Emilie Geiger, who had this part of and dancers alike. the evening's program, in charge,

The committee on refreshments, Mrs. Rupert Blood and Mrs. Carl Lawrence, provided a nice treat for all, of andwiches, oranges, cornballs and apoles. Special attention was given b them to the custom of several years back of sending out a treat to the elderly and those who could not be present.

Grange Notes. At the regular meeting of Prescoti

Grange on last week Friday evening On last Saturday afternoon Miss fact that on that evening the young

the work of the coming year, the program committee presenting the years. rogram for approval by the Grange

The lecturer's hour was filled with reports from the State Grange by the master, Miss Ellen I. Miller. Sho spoke of the large attendance and that the convention as a whole was the best she ever attended. The particular eature of the opening night was the presence of Gov. Calvin Coolidge and wife. Gov. Coolidge made a short address, after which an informal reception was given them. A feature of the second night was the conferring of the sixth degree on a class of 520 candl-dates, which was the largest number taking this degree for four years, when there was a class of about 600. Officers were also installed, Rev. A. H. Wheelock, a former pastor of the Congregational church here in town, again being installed as chaplain, an office he has held for ten years. The city of Worcester was found to be a most hospitable one toward Grange patrons. John Sartelle is moving his saw mill and all gave praise to the arrangerom the lot on the Dunstable road, ments provided. Invitations were re-where he operated for Sullivan & celved for the next meeting of the Shattuck, back to the Tarbell lot on State Grange to be held in Pittsfield.

and another invitation to Boston. Installation of officers will takeplace on Friday evening, January 9, and the installing officer will be Dep-Monday and Tuesday, January 5 and uty James H. Johnson of Leominster, assisted by his wife.

Senior Hop.

The P. H. S. senior hop was a very bright, Christmasy affair, and well patronized, Prescott hall being pleasgay crowd. The music stands out as sion, being pronounced by musical critics as unusually fine. It was supplied by Sheridan's orchestra, of Maynard, who came excellently recom-

The decorations were of Christmas character, of evergreen ropes and garlands, brightened by scarlet poinsettas Small pine trees were placed on the stage, and a warm glow whole by the red-shaded incandes-cents. Although several parties from out of town were detained by the bad traveling, the hall was very well filled for dancing, and there were several

Principal Whitmarsh was out of teachers were away on their vacations. The matrons were Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Hobart, Mrs. Tarbell and Mrs. Stewart, who occupied the specially arranged cozy corner at the left of the stage: One of the special features of the members of the younger classes of the nigh school.

The committee were Miss Beatrice Boynton, decorations; Miss Beth Mc-Nayr, refreshments, and Miss Katherine Hobart, music.
The ice cream found good patronage

and added to the receipts of the evening, which were not large.

Christmas House Party. "Pinehurst" was opened for the holiavs. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Kennedy arriving from New York the preceding week. On Christmas day their guests were Mr. and Mrs. Harry Walton and daughter Marilla, of Allston; Miss Ruth Hagstrom, of New York city; Miss Marion Chinn, of Brighton, and Mrs. Elizabeth Attridge and daughter

riene. Mr. Walton and daughter returned Allston on Friday, leaving Mrs. Walton to enjoy a few days' visit, but on Saturday they returned, much to the delight of their friends.

Miss Ruth Hagstrom, who made a ost of friends while on her sixmonths' stay with her aunt. Mrs. Kenledy, last summer, returned to New York on the Sunday-after Christmas While at Pinehurst she entertained several of the young, people of the town. It was a matter of regret that her sister, Miss Jane, was unable to

be here. Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy have entertained several friends during the past On their proposed return to

The installation of Grange officers

Rev. Gail Cleland, the new pastor of the Congregational church, preached one of his excellent sermons last Sunday morning. He was the guest of the F. S. Kimballs on Sunday, and he and irs. Cleland were Tuesday guests of

and Miss Florence Page, of Lexington, were mid-week guests of Mrs. A. W.

cept the hospitality of Mrs. Hazel W. Dodge, at the Common next week

The Boston Herald of Monday gave considerable space to the report of Rev. Dr. Ashley D. Leavitt's address before the Brookline Civic Forum on Sunday evening. He advanced the bean outlet in sterms of world services such as she would obtain by the league of nations. "In the debate," he says we have lost our prospective. Let us get back and receive our spirit, regain

save the soul of the nation The King's Daughters will hold their nnual business meeting and roll call at Mrs. Paul L. Brown's next Tuesday ifternoon. A large attendance is earnestly desired, and it is hoped that the

parts finely, donig much credit to Miss and much appreciated by spectators

Conductor Jonathan H. Whitcomb has so far recovered from pneumonia as to return home at New Year's. He will remain with the home people for the present.

In the transfer of motion picture, roperty in Ayer, Harold Shepard. former operator for George S. Poullus. ost his position.

esters, and it is expected that pre liminary work will begin immediately the attendance was very good considers, the ice measured eleven inches on ering the week's festivities and the Monday.

LITTLETON

Yews Items. will take place the first Wednesday in January, as announced two weeks ago.

the W. E. Conants. The pastor hoped to have his family living in the parsonage by the end of this week Miss Helen Ames, of North Easton,

The Merry Go Round club will ac-

Thursday, All the Littleton schools will open

talked too long. It is time to act to

ring their own work, The Christmas night dance held under the auspices of the Back-Log club proved a very pleasant, attractive party, with a full attendance of young, middle-aged and elderly peo-ple. The music by the Colonial singing orchestra was remarkably good

Ice cutting is a subject of pr contemplation by the Littleton har

The Odd Ladles will run a whi pass the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. Mae Meriam held a tes in honor of people were interested in the senior party in the term held a tes in honor of people were interested in the senior party in the term held on the te

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PEPPERELL

News 1tcms.

Gerry Nutting, from Woonsocket, R. , was at his home over the holiday. The regular meeting of Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., will be postponed from January 6 to January 9, and will be held at the home of Mrs.

D. E. Weston, Mill street, at 2.30. Miss Mildred Lewis, teacher in Middleton, N. J., spent her Christmas vacation at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Lewis, High street.

Albert Lewis has been confined to his home for more than two weeks by an attack of rheumatism, being obliged to give up his work at the Keyes farm in consequence.

Donald Jacobs, of Colby university, came from Waterville, Me., to spend his holiday vacation in town.

Miss H. Elizabeth Shattuck returned to her school teaching in Bristol, N. H., last Saturday. She spent Christ-mas week here in town with her parents, having passed the first week of her vacation with a friend in Thompsonville, Conn.

Mr. and Mrs. A. F. Parker enter tained a pleasant gathering at Christmas time of relatives and friends to The number of seventeen. Guests from out of town were Mr. and Mrs. M. E. Gaskill and son Ray, from Nashua, N. H., and Gerry Nutting, from Woon-socket, R. I. Those in town were Mr. and Mrs. B. W. Parker, Mr. and Mrs Nutting, Mrs. Anna Nutting, Earl Nutting and Mr. and Mrs. Mignault.

At the regular meeting of Acoma lodge on Tuesday evening of last week election of officers for the coming year took place, resulting as follows: Mrs. Elsie Copp, n. g.; Mrs. Carrie Pitman, v. g.; Mrs. Florence Fiske, sec.; Miss Anna Sartelle, fin. sec.; Mrs. Effle Rob-bins, treas.; Mrs. Gertrude Tarbell, trustee 3 years: Mrs. Louise Lunt, representative to Rebekah assembly

Leslie Parker, son of Mr. and Mrs Wardell Parker, Sheffield street, is still suffering the effects of his siege of inflammatory rheumatism, which com-menced in October. Adhesion of the muscles at the elbow of his arm worse afflicted occurred, requiring treatment and "breaking" to render his arm less stiffened, so that he may be able to have free use of that limb. The case is unusual in one no older.

Mrs. M. M. Richards entertained her sister, Mrs. G. E. Shattuck, and husband, Christmas day, with their son Ralph and daughter, Miss Elizabeth, who was at home from Bristol, Conn.

The regular meeting of the Womof the Community church on Tuesday afternoon, January 6. Executive board meeting at 2.15, and regular session at 2.45. The speaker is to be Rev. James M. Foster, of Boston; subject, "The root of a permanent world Esther Martin returned home

New Year's day from Somerville, where she has been the guest of Bachel Herrig for a week. Last Saturday the two young misses were taken into Boston to the matinee of the grand opera, "The Bohemian girl."

Theron Merrill, from Vermont, visited his sister, Mrs. Annie Bliss, Lowell street, over the holidays, her son, Walter Bliss, also spending a few

Shattuck, in South Brookline, N. H.

Mrs. Erbert Williams and Miss Mudgett served as planist. Wood spent Wednesday and Christmas day last week with relatives in Leominster. Mr. Williams

Joined the dinner party on Christmas day; also, Miss Gladys Williams, from Pitchburg.

Mrs. Addison Woodward visited her mother, Mrs. Kendall, at the Memo-rial hospital, Nashua, Tuesday. Mrs. Kendall's injuries from her fall, it is

An opening reception and ball will be held by Arthur Karr and Miss Dorothy Luce, of Nashua, N. H., at Prescott hall on the evening of Wednesday, January 7. A pleasant all-day meeting of the

Mt. Lebanon associates was held at the home of Mrs. Leon Whitcomb at the Henderson farm on Wednesday. There was a good attendance, the company g, marshal. being favored with the presence of Miss Ruth Walker, who is spending her vacation from her studies at the New England Conservatory of Music at her home; also, Miss Jessie Guttentag, a friend of Miss Anne Jewell's, and Miss Irene Whitcomb from her school in Mt. Vernon, N. Y., and Miss Helen, from Watertown. At-the busi-ness session the officers for the coming year were elected as follows: Mrs. E. D. Walker, pres.; Mrs. Arthur Bannon, treas.; Miss Barbara Bancroft. It was voted to hold meetings every two weeks, to commence Januwhen they will meet with Mrs. Walker. The work is to be on aprons

The new restaurant fitted up at the Nashua River Paper mills to provide and cigars. meals and hot lunches for the employees was started on New Year's day, 1. J. Geiger of the Villa Lorraine has been secured to have full charge. The dining-room is fitted up with all mod-ern appliances and is fireproof and sanitary in every arrangement. The mill is now running full, the output for the last day of 1919 being a recordbreaking amount.

Other Pepperell matter on page 7,

The remains of Arthur W. Larkin were brought here on Thursday for entombment, and later buried beside his wife in the family lot. Mr. and form to Mrs. Larkin were residents here for a green, short time a few years ago, occupying the cottage renovated for their use near the Boynton farm, on Shirley street. Previous to their removal here

occurred in Lynn on December 29, was due to a shock, although he seemed to be failing in health when visited by his brother-in-law, Charles Boynton, at Thanksgiving. He leaves no family, his wife having passed away about three years ago. Services were held from the Memorial chapel on Wedneslay afternoon at two o'clock.

On Tuesday the funeral services for Mrs. Joseph Shaughnessy, of Hudson, were attended by Mrs. Ann Davis and Miss Nellie Driscoll, her relatives of this town. Mrs. Shaughnessy was but wenty-seven years of age and is survived by her husband and a seven months-old infant; also by an aunt Mrs. John Cosgrove, formerly of this own, and relatives residing in Marl-Mrs. Shaughnessy was formerly Miss Sadie Fox, of this town, residing here on Tarbell street when young with her parents. The family removed from here about fifteen years ago. High mass of requiem was celebrated by three priests at St. Michael's church. Hudson, and burial was in that place.

Wolding

A quiet wedding occurred on the afternoon of Christmas day at the parsonage of the Community church, the contracting parties being Miss Car rie E. Shattuck and Willard E. Gray, both of this town. The double ring service was impressively performed by Rev. Robert W. Drawbridge, pastor of the church. The bridal couple were attended by Miss Myrtle Gray, as bridesmaid, and Harold Gray, as best man. The bride was very charming in a tailored traveling suit of Oxford

gray, silver tone. Mrs. Lillian Rodier classmate of the bride, and close personal friend, was matron of honor. Following the ceremony the brida party went to the home of the groom's parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Townsend Harbor, where they joined a pleasant Christmas dinner party. They eft on the evening train and after a short trip will return to rooms fitted high school work he entered Worcesup for occupancy near Mr. Gray's place of business on Sheffield street.

of friends, as manifested by beautiful gifts of silver, cut glass and linen.

Miss Shattuck was a Pepperell girl, educated in our public schools, afterward taking up teaching, which has placed her in other towns temporarily. The groom is an ex-service man and has intely become connected with others in the laundry business on Sheffield street. The young couple have

The bride and groom are well known

here in town and have a wide circle

the best wishes of their many friends. SHIRLEY

About Town. Dana Somes and daughters Nancy and Priscilla, of Boston, spent New Year's and the week-end at the Lin-

denberg farm. Miss A. M. Holden spent the holiday eason with her brother Granville in

Miss Marion Jubb spent Christmas with relatives in Ayer. Dorothy Jubb went to Fall River. Mr. and Mrs. Lester Corthell moved

to Ayer on Friday. The S.S. Caspar is reported to have reached Havre, France, December 23. Austin M. Fish shipped on this foat cadet engineer. The trip from as a cadet engineer. The map in Philadelphia to Havre was made in

two and one-half weeks. Gertrude Sampson left town Thursday morning for Boston. She has been accepted on probation as a nurse at the

Fenway hospital on Newbury street. Mr. and Mrs. D. I. Lindenberg are moving into the Davis cottage on Lancaster road for the winter on account

of lack of water at their farm.

Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., met Tuesday evening at the home of Mrs. C. H. Tewksbury with a good attendance. The local members of the Fitchburg chapter were special guests in served with an exchange of gifts by the grab-bag method, with results pleasing to everyone. Mrs. Abbie J. Wells presided and one new member were: Mr. and Mrs. Webster Blanch-the U-Bar-U" at the motion picture served with an exchange of gifts by and of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Bertham Hall of West Acton; Mr. and pleasing to everyone. Mrs. Abbie J. Mrs. Edward Earles and family of Burke, a roaming chap in quest of adverse presided and one new member of the U-Bar-U" at the motion picture served with an exchange of gifts by and of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Bertham Hall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edward Earles and Fall of West Acton; Mr. and Mrs. Edwar honor of the festival season which ob- were: Mr. and Mrs. Webster Blanch-Lieut. Gerald A. Shattuck, U. S. N., spent Christmas day at home, coming from Portsmouth, N. H., where he is now stationed. With his parents he passed most of the day at the home of his aged grandmother, Mrs. Charlotter his aged grandmother, Mrs. Charlotte the singing of a patriotic song written

> At the Baptist church on Suncay morning the subject of the sermon will be "God gave them their request, but--." Communion service at 11.45. Sunday school at twelve. A lecture will be given at seven in the evening on "How to use winter nights.

Installation.

Kendall's injuries from her fall, it is now decided, include a fractured bone I. O. O. F., Thursday evening, the ofcers for 1920 were installed by How ard D. DeWitt, district deputy grand master, of Leominster, and the folowing suite of officers: J. Herbert Whitney, d. d. g. warden, George P. Hartman, d. d. g. sec.; George H. Woodbury, d. d. g. treas.; Wilfred E. Burdett, d. d. g. guard.; George H. Hayford, d. d. g. herald; Fred A. Dow, d. d. g. chap.: Leroy J. Wilson, d. d.

The officers installed were Asa A Adams, n. g.: John E. Adams, v. g George W. Balch, sec.; George F. Buxton, treas.; Arthur G. Dunn, r. s. n. g. James L. Holland, l. s. n. g.; Robert H. J. Holden, warden; Willard G. White, cond.; Clarence L. Taylor, chap.; John T. Smith, i., g.: Frank Hotchkiss, o. g.; J. Edward Adams, r. s. v. g.; Henry F. Burroge, l. s. v. g.; Joseph J, Klaus, Jr., r. s. s.; Isley H

Beach, l. s. s. There were short speeches by the district deputy and his staff, and also by Harry M. Howe, past master of Robert Burns todge of Ayer. Following the meeting the social committee served a supper consisting of byster stew, pickles, ples, cake, coffee, apples

Double Wedding.

Trinity chapel was the scene of a very pretty double wedding on Thurs-day afternoon when Miss Christine Sibson Longley, daughter of Mrs. Abbie P. Longley, was married to Stan-ley Francis White, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles R. White, and Miss Margaret Longley, her sister, was married to Lewis Herman Bradford, son of Mr and Mrs. Charles, E. Bradford. The ceremony took place at two o'clock in the presence of relatives and a few close friends. The chapel was very beautifully decorated, the whole platform being a bower of laurel and ever-

Frank J. Lawton, organist, and Edward James, of Camp Devens, violinist, preceded the ceremony with three seections, Prayer from Lohengrin, Handel's Largo, and Fragment from Rubenstin Trio. The Bridal Chorus was a civil war veteran and was sev-Rubenstin Trio. The Bridal Chorus homes, and is on higher land than demonstrated very thoroughly man years of age. His death, which from Lohengrin was used for a pro- most places in Florida. The climate is the most trying circumstances.

cessional, the ushers entering first, fol- ideal and he only experienced one owed by the brides and Howard M. Longley, a brother of the brides, who gave them away. The bridegrooms were waiting before the altar when the brides arrived there. Rev. Howard A. Bridgman performed the wedding services, the single ring service being used in the first case, and the double ring service in the second. J. Holden and Arthur R. Holden acted as ushers. After the ceremony the bridal party left the chapel to the strains of Mendelssohn's wedding

march.
Both brides wore white Georgette over white silk, with white tulle vells, and carried shower bouquets of white brides' roses.

Following the ceremony a reception was held at Longley Homestead, attended by a large number of rela-tives and friends of both couples, the receiving line being formed in front of a bank of laurel as a background. Refreshments were served by Kenney & Hills, caterers, of Fitchburg. The decorators at both the house and the chapel were very attractively done, and were the work of Miss Mary Park. The array of wedding presents was un-usually large and valuable, including nany silver and cut glass pieces as

well as a large amount in money. Miss Christine G. Longley graduated from the Shirley high school in the class of 1911, after which she spent one year at Quincy Manslon school, two years at Mt. Holyoke college, and one year at the Worcester School of Domestic Science. Her sister, Miss Margaret, graduated from Shirley high school with the class of 1914, after which she attended Bryant & Stratton Business college in Boston. Until recently she has held a position at the Boylston National bank in Boston. Both young ladies have lived in the Center all their lives and are leaders

n its activities. Mr. White graduated from Fitchburg high school with the class of 1910, but returned for one year of post-graduate work. At the end of his ter Polytechnic Institute, where he remained for one year. He then entered the Sheffield Scientific school at Yale university, from which he graduated in 1915 with the degree of Bachelo of Philosophy. During the war Mr. White saw service overseas in the gas service and returned home with the rank of lieutenant, to which he was promoted while overseas. He is a member of Aipha Sigma Phi Frater nity; also, Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., and the W. W. S. club. At present he is employed at the works of the American Analine Products Co., Lock Haven, Pa., but expects to take a position nearer home within a few

Mr. Bradford is a graduate of the Concord high school in the class of 1913. In July, 1917, he enlisted, going overseas shortly afterward with the 10th Engineers. He saw nearly a year and a half of service, being connected with a saw mill unit in France, and returned home in January, 1919. Mr. Bradford is at present employed a the Quartermaster Laundry, Camp Devens. He is a member of Fredonian Camp lodge, I. O. O. F., the W. W. S. club and Shirley Grange, and served for a time in the office of town clerk of

Shirley.

Mr. White is a life-long resident of here six years. Both are very popular young men and have the respect and good wishes of the townspeople.

Mr. and Mrs. Bradford left after the eception in their machine for a week's trip, Upon their return they will occupy a part of Elmhurst until spring. when they expect to move into the Barnard cottage now occupied by Horace C. Harris and family. Mr. and Mrs. White also left for a short trip. Where they will make their home is not yet definitely settled on account of the probability that Mr. White will accept a position in Massachusetts.

Among the out-of-town guests who

attended the wedding and reception Rowe of Roxbury; Mrs. Almond Wing and Forrest B. Wing of Brookline, Miss Dorothy Yeaton of Portsmouth, K. H.; Miss Alma Eaton; Mrs. B. S. Voodward of Fitchburg; Mrs. William Adriance of Winchester; David S. Boy-den of Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Almon Blake of Boston: Mr. and Mrs. John A. Richardson of Boston; John H. Lane and Miss Lillian Lane of Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Frank Walsh of Brookline; Thomas Day of Brookline; Harry Mead of Ayer; Mr. and Mrs. D. J. Whooley of Fitchburg; Mr. and Mrs. D. J. P. H. Lane and Miss Edna Lane of East Boston; Mr. and Mrs. Charles K. Bolton, Stanwood K. Bolton and Geof-frey Bolton of Brookline; Mrs. Walcott Treadway; Miss Mary Grout of Fitchburg; Robert Proctor and Carl Proctor of Lunenburg: Raymond Bradford of Watertown: Miss Helen M. Winslow of Boston; Mrs. Welcome Longley of Jamaica Plain; Mrs. Frank Longley of

HARVARD

News Items.

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The Woman's Alliance will meet of Thursday, January 8, with Mrs. Belle Farnsworth for an all-day sewing

The Complimentary Ball club has been rejuvenated. New members have joined and a ball has been arranged for, to be held on January 21, with music by Newell's orchestra. Reuben A. Reed is president.

That the people of our town may now what the work of a town hurse really means, our present nurse, Miss Lillian E. Frost, has given the following report of her work for the month f December: hild welfare 18, school visits 14, general nursing 64, tuberculosis 1, follow up calls on school children 7; a total

Ex-Councillor W. S. Watson is on he sick list at his home. Miss Evelyn Davis, with her grand-

nother, from Methuen, spent the week-end with Mrs. F. E. Hirsch and family. Miss Eulah Whitney and her bucle,

Mr. Beach, of Ayer and Shirley, spent the holidays with Mrs. Fred A. Whitıey.

William L. Crosby has bought house and orange grove on the shores of Crescent Lake at Crescent City Fla., and will spend part of the winter there. Mr. Crosby has just returned from Florida, where he has been sojourning since the middle of November, and says that Crescent City is one the most beautifully situated towns of Florida, and has the advantage of being out of the beaten track of the merely fashionable tourist, and it has delightful residents and beautiful

rainy day of his stay of weeks. The main sports are fishing and hunting and it is a wonderful place for a com-

The ladies of the Congregational so ciety will hold their first church so-cial in the church vestry on Friday vening, January 9. Suppers will be served at six and seven o'clock. At eight o'clock there will be an enter tainment in charge of Mrs. H. B. Royal.

plete rest.

The Grange will hold its next reg ular meeting on Tuesday evening, January 6. Subject, "New Year's resolu-tions." Come and give your favorite Come and give your favorite one.

Schools reopen on Monday for the winter term. A. D. MacLennan filled Tahanto

icehouses this week with twelve-inch Miss Ruth Bull, with her nephew, rom Worcester, spent last week-end and Sunday with Mrs. H. Emma Whit-

ney in town. with his brother, Mr. and Mrs.

Fred-Wetherbeer The Unitarian Men's club will hold its regular meeting in the town hall Supper will be on Sunday evening. served at seven o'clock. The speaker will be George F. Robinson, of Watertown; subject, "Forms of town govern-ment." Public cordially invited a Public cordially invited at eight o'clock.

Miss Barbara Rhonstock and Master Buddy" Rhonstock, of Somerville, are visiting this week with their aunt, Mrs. Ralph Emerson.

Andrew Haskell has his house lighted with electric lights. E. F. Houghton has installed a one-

pipe heater in his farm residence. Mr. Fillebrown did the work. Clarence Davis spent the holidays

with his sister in Somerville. Miss Emma Bagster, of Lowell, spent Christmas Week with her sisters Misses Celia and Margaret, at the

home-farm-here in-town-Miss Doris Houghton, from her hospital work in Boston, spent Wednes-

day and Thursday with her mother. Mr. and Mrs. Walter Sargent, of Ayer, spent Christmas with Mrs. A. D. Parker and family.

Mrs. Mary N. Baker entertained Webster Sawyer, of Weymouth, over John Lee spent the Christmas week with his sister and family in Keene,

· Pauline Harlow spent her holiday week with her mother and family in

Miss Winifred Bryant, of Washington, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bryant, returning Thursday night.

A party was given last Saturday evening by Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Bryant to a number of their young friends here, about a dozen being present, and a very enjoyable evening was spent in games, refreshments being served The rooms were decorated with house plants, holly and mistletoe.

The next meeting of the Woman' club will be their annual guest night The date of this meeting has been changed from Monday, January 5, to Mr. White is a life-iong resident of changed from Monday, Sanday, Soliday, Shirley, while Mr. Bradford has been Wednesday, January 7. The speaker here six years. Both are very popular of the evening will be Jefferson L. Harbour, who will give his wonderful ly entertaining lecture, "Blessed be humor." For seventeen years Mr. Harbour was associated with the editorial department of the Youth's Companion and be has published many tories in the Youth's Companion, St. Nicholas, Harper's, Bazaar and varius other magazines. His work in the lecture field has also been very sucessful. Tickets for guest night may be obtained from Miss Cella Eagster at the postoffice, or from Miss Helen Stone at the Still River postoffice.

This Saturday evening Louis Bennison will be seen in "Sandy Burke of the U-Bar-U" int the motion picture steed Pie to a settlement in the west ern cattle country, etc.

Harold Bell Wright's novel. shepherd of the hills," now in pictures will be shown at the Strand, Ayer, Monday and Tuesday, January 5 and 6. Ten big reels.

Wedding.

At the home of Mrs. Julia B. Davis on Thursday occurred an event which marked an epoch in the lives of two of Harvard's popular young people, when Blanche L. Davis and Harold A. Tookwere united in marriage. ding invitations had been issued to relatives and friends, and at the appointed hour, to the strains of Lohen grin's wedding march, the bride de scended the stairs, attended by her sister, Miss Edith E. Davis, as brides maid, and Charles A. Blanchard, who

cave the bride away. Under a bower of hemlock stood, in vaiting the groom with his best man George Tooker, and the officiating clergyman, Rev. H. C. Merrill, who performed the marriage ceremony, the louble ring service being used.

In the receiving line at the reception which immediatedly followed, with the bride and groom, were Mrs. Davis. mother of the bride, and Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin Keyes, brother-in-law and sister of the groom.

The bride was daintily gowned in

white satin with bridal veil and carded a bouquet of white roses. bridesmaid dress was of pale blue satn and she carried sweet peas. freshments were served, a merry time enjoyed and the bride and groom departed amid a shower of confetti and the best wishes of all.

There were many beautiful gifts, both useful and ornamental. Everett Blanchard presided at the plano, George and Arthur Tooker ushered. and the artistically decorated rooms was the handiwork of Miss Winnifred Bryant. Besides the Harvard friends there were guests from Worcester, Shirley, Boston, Hinsdale, N. H., and Washington, D. C.
After a short wedding trip Mr. and

Mrs. Tooker will be at home, where they will be pleased to receive their ITEMS OF INTEREST

Pussy willow taffeta is among the est of linings for fine simple cloaks. Silver ribbon is combined with claret-colored satin for evening gowns. Silk and chenille embroidery are auch used on both gowns and wraps. Beads on evening gowns are often strung and arranged in clusters of

experimenta stage for the motor truck has passed Its worth and its efficiency have been demonstrated very thoroughly under

Chinese Sweetmeats.

The Chinese are very skillful in making confectionery and possess the reputation of having some secrets the knowledge of which our own confectioners would find very desirable. They are able to empty an orange of its pulp entirely and then fill it up with fruit jelly without one be ing able to find the smallest cut in the rind or even a tiny hole. Indeed, they even empty an egg in this manner and fill it with a sort of almond nought, without one being able to find the slightest break or incision in the

New York's Systematic Growth. A remarkable forecast of population of New York is brought to light in copies of the Scientific American for September 8, 1860. A statistician for the manual of the common council shows the population of the city to increase until 1905 would have made George Wetherbee was a guest this the population of New York 5,257,493 a figure almost in accord with the cenus of that time.

Eskimo Kayak.

One of the oddest crafts ever seen near Provincetown, Mass., was the Eskimo kayak, in which Explorer Donald B. MacMillan paddled about. The kayak is a man's cance and is built on a frame on which is stretched skin, water tight. It is handled with a double paddle, is decked over, and, with an expert in it, is one of the safest small craft known.

Success Came Late in Life. Among the small group of brilliant women journalists of the last century Fanny Fern stands out as a unique figure. For, although she was married and widowed before she ever at tempted to write, she became one of the most popular authors of the day, and her first book sold to the extent of 132,000-almost a record for those days.

W. The Snake's Rattle. The rattle of the rattlesnake is developed from the single conicle scale or epidermal spine, which in most snakes forms the internal tegument of the tail. The bone on which the roof of the rattle rests consists of the last caudal vertebra and is covered with skin which is the beginning of the rat tle in young rattlesnakes.

4300 Yes. Guess.

When a young husband sits him down in his easy chair, and his childwife slips quietly along, sits down in his lap and relates with tears trickling down her voice that she hasn't had a new hat in three months—guess, gen-tie reader—which is the easier (or the uneasier), the chair or the husband.

Lone Village Lonesome. Skiddaw is the not inappropriate name of a village in England that has only a single inhabitant. The lone villager of Skiddaw complains because he cannot vote there being no overseer to prepare the voters' list and no

Therefore, Be Cheerful!

church or public building on which to

"publish" one, as the law requires.

Depression, gloom, dark brooding these are the worn stones in the descent to the inferno of incompetence, helplessness, delayed victory, or ever ultimate defeat. This, we know, is true evermore in our individual life struggles. It is just as true of nations.-William Allen Knight.

Not Knocking Mazie. Chorus Lady -"Mazie Middleton told

me yesterday that she makes some easy money mornings posing as a headand-neck model for a sculptor." Show Girl-"I shouldn't be at all surprised Some sculptors, you know, make a specialty of gargoyles!"-Buffalo Express.

Old English Holidays. In the list of old English holidays Candlemas was February 2, the date on which we now look for the groundhog to forecast the weather, and Old Candlemas, February 14, which is now observed at St. Valentine's day.

Prevents Accidental Poisoning. To prevent poison being used in mistake for medicine an inventor has patented a bottle with the neck at one side and so formed that its contents cannot be poured out without careful manipulation.

Beautiful Dream Faded. Helen was told she would have to wait until her birthday for a new doll. She tried to be patient, but a month seemed a long time to wait. One morning she awoke quite early, sobbing loudly. Her mother asked what was "Me dreamed me had a doll, wrong. but I woke up ar I found my dream goned," cried Helen.

Love Apples.

Love apples is what tomatoes were called years ago when it was told that, if sweethearts would divide one and eat it together, no adverse fate could part them. There was real bravery in this simple act; for, in early days, tomatoes were thought to be rank pol-

Mad as a Hatter. Mad, in Anglo-Saxon, is frequently

used as a synonym for violent, furious angry or venomous. Atter, in old English, means adder or viper. Hence the combination of the two words "mad' and the corrupted "hatter" merely means "as venomous as an adder." And the proverbial saying has, there fore, no reference to hatmaking at all.

Hint to Housewives. To clean glazed tiles when spotted,

wash them with lemon juice, leave for a quarter of an hour, and then polish with a soft cloth. Tiles should not be washed but only rubbed with a damp cloth and polished with a little skim milk and water.

JAN. 2-3

Stewing Pieces

FITCHBURG'S BIG MARKET

Specials for Friday and Saturday

JAN. 2-3

PRIME Boncless Sirloin Roasts

Boiling 8c., 10c. 1b 18c., 20c., 22c. lb. Chucks 28c. to 35c. lb. 30c. to 38c. lb. Round Roasts Sirloin Roasts Boneless Pot Roasts 15c., 28c. lb. Boneless Rib Roasts 28c., 38c. lb. Rump Roasta 28c. to 35c. lb. Boneless Pot Roasts 40c. to 45c. lb. Rump Roasta $26\phi, 28\phi$ lb. Prime Rib Roast of Beef.....

ROUND SIRLOIN

RUMP

SATURDAY MORNING ONLY

20c. lb.

8c., 10c. lb.

SPRING LAMB Hindquarters

26c., 28c. lb.

Lamb Chops

20¢ lb.

YEARLING 6c. lb. Forequarters 8c., 10c. Shoulder Roasts

Hindquarters 16c., 18c., 20c., 22c. lb. Legs 18c., 20 15c., 18c., 20c. lb.

HAMS

 WHOLE LARGE HAMS.
 21c. lb.

 SHANKS OF HAMS.
 15c., 18c., 20c. lb.

 Smoked Shoulders 25c. lb.
 Pork by the Strip
 25c. lb.

 Fresh Shoulders
 20c. lb.
 Small Roast of Pork 25c., 28c., 32c., 35c. lb.

TEA .

Black Rabbit, Formosa, Oolong, regular 39c. lb. 31c. lb., 3 lbs. 85c.

ALWAYS FIRST WITH THE SEASON'S BEST Boston Lettuce, Celery, Mushrooms, Radishes, Parsley, Peppers, Winter Squash, Spanish Onious CAPE CRANBERRIES 121/2c. qt. Squash, Spanish Onions .

CAKES Light and Dark Fruit, Chocolate, Marble, Ple Shells, Cream Ples,

Washington Pies

CHEESE Mild 39c, lb, Laurel Lard Strong 18c. lb. Young America 40c, lb. 33c. pound package

ORANGES APPLES NUTS

GRAPEFRUIT LEMONS HECKERS Buckwheat Flapjack. _____ 14c. package My-Wife Syrup 20c., 35c. bottle

Oysters, Clams, Shrimp, Scallops, RIBBON CANDY, we make it Fresh Fish Brockelman Bros.

Underwood Clam Chowder 25c. can Red Cross Bouillon Cubes 25c. jar

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LITTLETON

Mr. Hill, of Portland, Me., arrived it the home of his son, Supt. F. H. Hill Thursday, and will remain with

the family for the present. Supt. Hill left for his new field of activities in Marblehead, on Friday morning : Miss McLaren, teacher of the seventh and eighth grades, has resigned

and Milton L. Fuller, of Falmouth, a graduate of Hyannis Normal school succeeds her in the grammar school. DeMerritte A. Hiscoe, of Boston, has been elected to the position of drawing supervisor, made vacant through the resignation of Miss Taylor. G. Edward Prouty left for Cuba New

Year's morning in the interest of his firm in Boston. We understand that Douglas Whitmb has bought of George W. Whitcomb some real estate in Boxborough,

comprising orchard, woodlot and pasture land.

come to spend the winter with her niece, Miss Elizabeth Houghton. Miss Helen Ames was a guest o Miss Elizabeth Thacher, Thursday, Mrs. Estelle Mention, of Waban isited Miss Thacher this week.

Sally Kimball spent New Year's day is the guest of Betty Gordon in New Miss Blanche Savage has been with her home people in Maine during her

vacation. The United Workers held their monthly meeting with Miss Elizabeth Thacher on Wednesday. Twenty-two were present to listen to the good program arranged by Mrs. Goldsmith Co nant. The subject, "China," was discussed in its different phases by Misses Margaret Conant, Myra Dodge, Hope Fletcher, Catherine and Winifred

Pickard and Beulah Kimball. The work of harvesting ice from Warren lake (mill pond) began this week Friday.

Public Virtue.

That patriotism which, catching its inspiration from on high, and leaving at an immeasurable distance below all lesser, groveling, personal inter ests and feelings, animates and prompts to deeds of self-sacrifice, of valor, of devotion, . . . that is public virtue; that is the noblest, the sublimest of all public virtues!-Clay.

Systematic Effort Wins. If we take our days and reduce them

to the essentials we shall find that there are many real things to do, needful things to do, and we shall go about these tasks quietly and earnestly, not expressing our energies through a hundred trifles, but through true effort, properly directed, doing whatever our hands and hearts and minds find to do, nobly and well.

Linked France and Scotland. The small border, or treasure, which

surrounds the arms of Scotland in the British coat of arms is the emblem of preservation or protection. A legend states that the border was given to Achaius, king of the Scots, by Charle magne as a pledge that the French lilies should defend the Scottish lion. The significance of this lies in the de sign of the border, which is composed of fleur-de-lis.

ITEMS OF INTEREST

Bruising is a very common cause of. loss in new potatoes. This may be caused either by poor handling methods or by poor containers.

More satisfactory results are obtained if, when cooking potatoes, you select all of one size. cook equally and can be served in an appetizing condition.

Ostrich and coque feathers are used o trim dresses as much as hats, Another largest thing of its kind in the world, the great telescope that nas been twelve years in the making, has been set up at the top of Mt. Wilson, in California. Its mirror required a glass disk 100 inches in diameter, 13 inches thick, and 1½ tons in weight. The dome that protects it and the machinery that enables it to

follow the stars demanded the building of a new road and the construction of a special kind of motor truck to get them up the mountain. Altogether this latest astronomical apparatus weighs 400 tons, yet moves without Mrs. Julia Hayward, of Ashby, has vibration or sound by finger pressure ome to spend the winter with her on a button. But what would perhaps even more astonish, for instance, the ancient Chaldeans is that it will do' ts work chiefly by taking photo-

graphs. New Advertisement

HORSES FOR SALE—I. S. WHITING, Brookline Road, East Pepperell, Mass. *FOR SALE—1918 Netco Truck, 2½-ton, in good condition. A bargain; have no use now for it; also a Ford Touring Car in good condition. M. H. SULLIVAN, East Pepperell, Mass. Telephone 17.

LOST-Saturday, December 20, on Main Street, Pepperell, Brown Velvet Handbag, Reward, MRS, M. M. COLE-

Handbag. Reward. MRS. M. M MAN, Box 24, Pepperell, Mass. LOST BOOK—In accordance with Chapter 590, Section 49 of the Acts of 1908 and amendments thereto, notice is hereby given that Book No. 7193 has been lost and application has been made for the issuance of a duplicate

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35c. lb. FRESH SHOULDERS 23c. lb. SKINNED BACK HAMS 24c. 1b. MOKED SHOULDERS 23c. 1b YEARLING LAMB FORES 15c. lb. YEARLING LAMB LOINS 25c. lb. ROAST PORK CRANBERRIES 3 qts. 25c., 9c. qt. 17c. can CONDENSED MUK 15c, can EVAPORATED MILK PIGS AND BEEF LIVER CORNED BEEF, all solid meat, 20c. lb 20c. lb. 40c. lb.

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50c. lb.

30c. 1b. 40c. lb. 67c. 1b. 38c. 1b