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News Items.

Miss Annie M. Deming of Somerville is spending a two weeks' vacation with her sister, Mrs. R. M. Cahoon.

We received a postal card from Augustus Lovejoy dated Rochester, N. Y., August 23, in which he says the party that went to the national encampment is all right and that the weather is pleasant.

The postal authorities at Washington have accepted a lease of the store in Carley's block to be vacated by Morris Miller, the present occupant. Mr. Miller will vacate the premises on September 1, and immediately thereafter the work of transforming the apartment into the quarters for the postoffice will be commenced. The lease of the government begins on October 1, but it may be some little time thereafter before actual possession is taken.

The garden party to be held at the home of Mrs. George J. Burns, Tuesday, August 29, will open at two o'clock and continue till seven. There will be sales of food, candy, aprons and ice cream. A mystery table will be an interesting feature. There will be a special entertainment from three to 4.30. Everyone is welcome and all may be sure of a pleasant afternoon. Admission to the grounds is free.

Mrs. Charles H. Hardy is once more on the gain since her last attack of illness. She is unable to sit up yet except as she is propped up in bed.

Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Hopkins and family returned on Wednesday evening from their vacation at New Found Lake, Bristol, N. H. Dr. Hopkins' patients are glad to have him back again.

Charles H. Lovejoy has gone to Auburn, Me., where his father is critically ill.

The New Hampshire Public Service Commission announces that it has approved the petition of the Boston and Maine railroad for authority to purchase the Worcester, Nashua and Rochester railroad.

The sidewalk in front of Page block was re-surfaced this week, the work being done by C. L. Farnsworth and D. C. Smith, who also put in a concrete bottom in the cellar of Dr. Sullivan's new house on Pleasant street.

Lester M. Crawford of Henniker, N. H., is visiting at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. George M. Crawford.

Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Sherman and son Howard are visiting at the home of Mrs. Sherwin's parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Beverly.

Rev. and Mrs. Arthur D. Stroud, who have been guests of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel J. Andrew, left for their home on Thursday. They have returned from Minnesota, where Mr. Stroud visited his native town, Mabel. Mr. Stroud was formerly pastor of the Methodist church here.

Wellman J. Delano, former superintendent of the town farm, now living at Ludlow, Vt., was in town this week calling on friends.

A good-sized audience attended the performance of J. C. Rockwell's Sunny South company in Page's hall on Thursday evening and enjoyed a first-class show.

While visiting his aunt, Mrs. Frank H. Reeve, Frank Field, six years of age, of Worcester, fell from a picket fence on Monday afternoon, to the ground and broke his right arm above the elbow. Dr. Sullivan attended the boy, after which, by the doctor's advice, he was removed to the Worcester hospital as the break was a bad one. Mr. and Mrs. Reeve went to that city with the injured boy.

Archibald McDonald has secured a position as night watchman at the C. A. Edgerton Manufacturing Company's place at Shirley.

The moving picture exhibitions will begin on Saturday evening, September 2. Further particulars will be given next week.

District Court.

Frank Smith of Waterville, Me., was arraigned on Monday morning for larceny at Groton. His case was continued until Saturday, September 2, and he was taken to the Lowell jail to await trial on that date. The arrest of Smith was brought about in a rather unusual way. The property alleged to have been stolen by him belonged to S. W. Sturgis whose home is near the Groton School. Mr. Sturgis and family were away on their vacation at the time the robbery was committed. The first that they knew about it was when they were notified of the arrest of Smith at Worcester, where he was trying to sell the stolen articles. Chief Riley of the Groton police was notified of the arrest by the Worcester police and went to that city and brought the alleged thief here for trial. The value of the goods taken is said to be between \$400 and \$500, including money, jewelry, clothing, silverware, a clock and a thermometer.

Henry Archambeau of Fitchburg, Fred and Oliver Kimball of Ashby were in court on Thursday morning charged with breaking and entering and larceny at Townsend. All were found guilty and were placed on probation for one year on condition that they make restitution for the damage done, during that time.

James McCollough of Boston, charged with being a vagrant at Littleton, was found guilty on Thursday morning and the case placed on file.

The complaint against John Hoffman of Ashby for maintaining a common nuisance and illegally selling intoxicating liquors were continued till Saturday, September 9.

Melvin J. Dudley, charged with neglect, was arraigned last Saturday morning and the case was continued until this morning, the defendant being held in \$200 bail for his appearance at that time.

Nicholas Lekas, George Shlokes and George Chircreas all pleaded guilty to complaints of maintaining common nuisances at Ayer. Lekas also pleaded guilty to three complaints of selling

intoxicating liquors and Shlokes to one sale. Lekas was fined seventy-five dollars and Shlokes fifty dollars. The case against Chircreas was placed on file.

Heaviest Taxpayers.

The following are the names of those who pay taxes of fifty dollars or over as well as those taxpayers who are non-residents:

Table listing names and tax amounts for heavy taxpayers, including Samuel J. Andrew (\$57.47), Warren H. Atwood (\$59.77), and others.

Table listing names and tax amounts for heavy taxpayers, including Joseph Graves (\$97.20), Charles H. Harlow (\$73.88), and others.

Table listing names and tax amounts for heavy taxpayers, including Benjamin Taft (\$187.12), Caroline E. Taft (\$213.71), and others.

Bargains Read Them

Table listing various household items and their prices, such as NEW PERFECTION WICK BLUE FLAME OIL STOVE, Dangler Wickless, Oil Stoves, and Lawn Mowers.

OUR REGULAR SEASON'S SALE

Commenced Saturday Morning, July 22. ONCE EVERY SEASON we clear up the entire stock; we don't have a "special sale" every week or every month. This is the "once a season" sale; summer goods to be got out of the way of fall goods.

Hart, Shaffner & Marx Clothes. Are among them; such suits as we've been selling regularly all season, now reduced. Other goods, including Shoes and Furnishings. In the same way.

HERE ARE THE PRICES:

Table for Men's Suits: \$20 and \$22 Suits now \$15.47, \$18 Suits now \$13.47, \$15 Suits now \$10.47, \$12 Suits now \$8.47, \$10 Suits now \$7.47.

Table for BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S SUITS: \$5.00 value now \$3.75, \$4.00 value now \$3.25, \$3.50 value now \$2.75. All Boys' Suits with Straight Cut Trousers at One-Half Price: \$5.00 value now \$2.50, \$4.00 value now \$2.00, \$3.00 value now \$1.50, \$2.00 value now \$1.00.

Table for Men's Trousers: \$5.00 Pants now \$4.15, \$4.00 Pants now \$3.15, \$3.50 Pants now \$2.85, \$3.00 Pants now \$2.45, \$2.50 Pants now \$2.00, \$2.00 Pants now \$1.65, \$1.50 Pants now \$1.15.

Table for Men's and Boys' Straw Hats: \$5.00 Panamas now \$3.50, \$2.50 Straws now \$1.50, \$2.00 Straws now \$1.25, \$1.50 Straws now 98¢, \$1.00 Straws now 79¢.

Table for BOYS' and CHILDREN'S BLOUSES and SHIRTS: 50c. value 39¢, 25c. value 18¢.

Table for Negligee Shirts: \$1.50 value now \$1.15, \$1.00 value now 79¢, 50c. value now 39¢.

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The voting list is in the hands of the printer preparatory to the annual primaries to be held on September 26. Fifteen names have been dropped from the list. Their names are: Timothy H. Buckley, Kirk Q. Buddington, George T. Burns, George S. Cobb, Michael J. Coughlin, George G. Day, Wellman J. Delano, Frederick L. Flagg, Michael T. Hillery, Raymond G. Kellerman, Edward King, Bert A. Robbins, Bert K. Tweedie, Fred O. Noyes, Henry S. Nutting.

Frank Hibbard of Littleton began work at Dwinell's store on Wednesday morning. William A. Beckford, who has been employed by Mr. Dwinell, will finish his duties at the store next Saturday night.

Poulin Bros. cashed a check for ten dollars on the Avery Chemical Company of Boston recently. A few days ago the check was returned from the Berlin, N. H., bank upon which it was drawn, marked "no funds." The company, however, is thought to have sufficient assets to meet the outstanding liabilities.

Mrs. E. W. Lynch and daughter Sylvia are spending a vacation at Orange and Nashua, N. H.

Miss Ruth McDermott of Melrose Highlands is visiting Mrs. Calvin Fletcher.

A fine oil portrait of Caleb Butler will be presented by the local lodge of Masons which bears his name, to the grand lodge of Massachusetts at the September meeting. The portrait is a very fine piece of work and was painted by Mrs. E. W. Carley of this town. Those who have seen this work of art are very much pleased with it. The portrait may be seen at the store of E. W. Carley. Caleb Butler was grand master of the grand lodge of Massachusetts for two terms, 1840-41. He wrote the history of Groton.

At the Baptist church tomorrow, Rev. J. W. Thomas will preach in the morning at 10.45. Sunday school at twelve o'clock. Praise meeting in the evening at seven.

Baseball.

The closest and best game of baseball seen here in years was played at the town park last Saturday afternoon, when the local team defeated the West Groton A. A. 3 to 2 in a contest that lasted ten innings. The visiting team was a lively one and barring two exceptions played a fine game. Although the team bore the West Groton name, the members of it were by no means confined to that village, some coming from the neighboring towns.

The home team, considering its lack of practice, played very well and surprised even its most enthusiastic supporters. Kidder pitched a good game and received excellent support. The playing of Hooley in center field for the home team was a distinct feature. He captured two long flies after hard sprints, which looked good for at least two bases. His general fielding was perfect.

The visitors had a good battery in Hodgman and Malley. The locals were not slow in finding out that they could not steal bases on Hodgman. His throwing to bases was of the best quality, and after the first few attempts, the base stealing was cut out as far as the locals were concerned.

Ayer scored one run in the second inning and failed to score again until the tenth. West Groton made a run in the fourth. From this point until the tenth inning no more runs were made, the score being tied at one each.

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The visitors came up in their half of the tenth and made another run, and their spirits rose to a high pitch. The locals came in for their half and a timely hit by Parmenter brought in two runs and the game was over.

The game was arranged by Archibald McDonald, who also had the grounds placed in first-class order for the contest by going over the entire field and cutting the grass with lawn mowers. The score by innings:

Table showing game score by innings: Innings 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 8 9 10, Ayer 0 1 0 0 0 0 0 0 2 2, West Groton 0 0 1 0 0 0 1 2.

Enteries-Ayer, Kidder and Hurley; West Groton A. A., Malley and Hodgman. Time-2hrs. Umpire-Brown.

New Advertisements.

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