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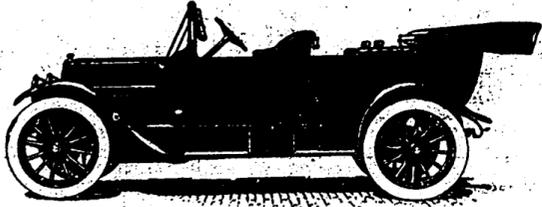
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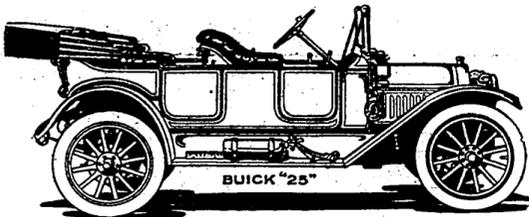
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HARVARD.

News Items.

The regular meeting of the King's Daughters will be held on Thursday afternoon, May 8, at 2.30 at the Congregational church parlor, instead of on May 1. This will be a memorial service.

Lisley Beach, of Shirley, spent last Sunday with his sister, Mrs. Fred A. Whitney, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Phillip O. Dickson are visiting this week with friends at Plymouth.

But for the prompt work of George Maynard and his men on last Saturday, the buildings of George Hardy would have in all probability been destroyed by fire. During the absence of Mr. Hardy, fire which had been smoldering for some time, broke out in the chimney, and Mr. Maynard and his men saw the smoke and attended to it at once, putting out the fire before any very serious damage was done.

The Bromfield ball team is certainly doing excellent work on the diamond this year, having defeated all the teams they have met so far this season. On last Saturday, they played the Lawrence, academy second team in the morning and defeated them by a score of 15 to 1. In the afternoon they played the Ayer high

team and won by a score of 5 to 1. In these games Ted Thomas pitched sixteen innings, made twenty-four strikeouts, allowed one base on balls, one run and two hits. On Wednesday of this week, Bromfield played Littleton high, defeating them by a score of 19 to 1. On Saturday afternoon they play Pepperell on Bromfield grounds.

Rev. George Jones will preach at the Unitarian church on Sunday at 10.45 in the morning. The mixed chorus will sing "Jerusalem, O turn thee to the Lord thy God," from the Oratorio of Galla by Gounod, and "Hail him Lord and leader," by Nevin. H. A. Thayer, who has given such universal satisfaction as choir leader during the past year, has been engaged for the coming year in the same capacity.

I. E. Morse is building a trellis fence and pergola arbor for Miss E. E. Hersey at her home, using the rough cedar posts as material, the effect being very pleasing.

Mr. and Mrs. George F. Cobb opened their house on Oak hill for the summer months this week.

Waldo Hynes is visiting this week with his grandmother, Mrs. Hynes, at Worcester, during the recess from school.

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John E. Maynard has traded his auto with E. O. Proctor, of Ayer, for a new five-passenger Buick.

H. A. Thayer has sold to William A. Snow, of West Somerville, a small piece of land on the top of the hill adjoining the land of Thomas Dolan, and fronting on the Slough road. Mr. Snow intends to commence building at once, and will make Harvard his permanent summer home.

Now that the good old-fashioned measles have worn themselves out for want of material to attack, the German measles have appeared with us, there being several cases in the schools now.

Miss Emily E. Hildreth, with her sister, Mrs. Elwell, have closed the Sunnyside house here and have gone to Kennebunk Beach, Me., for a few weeks. Miss Della Clough has gone to visit with relatives in Cincinnati until Miss Hildreth's return.

Prof. Leonard is giving the freshman and sophomore classes at Bromfield a look at the heavens through the big telescope at the school grounds on fair evenings this week, combining pleasure with profitable instruction.

Postmaster West is sodding (for the fifty-seventh time more or less) the corners of the lawn in front of the library building and trying to coax into being a few green blades of grass, where busy citizens have been "cutting corners literally" at the expense of the beauty of the town.

A meeting for the purpose of inaugurating a Woman's club will be held in the Haggood Memorial rooms on Friday afternoon, May 2, at three o'clock. All women interested are requested to be present.

Mrs. John Clancy, of Springfield, is a guest this week with her sister, Mrs. Wesley Haggood, and family.

Miss Abby Mongovin, from Hudson, is at home for a few days with her sister Nellie at their home on Bare hill.

The regular spring meeting of the Harvard Temperance society will be held in the Unitarian church on Sunday evening, April 27, at 7.30 o'clock. The program committee have secured Rev. Oliver J. Fairfield, of Littleton, as the speaker of the evening. Herbert A. Thayer will have charge of the music. It is hoped and expected that Mr. Fairfield's known powers as a speaker, and the attractive musical program will call out a large attendance at this meeting.

Friday, May 3, is the date chosen for a lecture by Hon. J. Wilder Fairbank, of Boston, in behalf of the Boy Scouts. The exact subject of the lecture cannot be given at this time, but it will be something good and the boys will have tickets on sale next week. It is hoped that this lecture may be well supported, as it is intended to open an organization to every boy in town who wants to join, as soon as it can be done.

Congregational Notes.

The next regular meeting of the Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church will be held on Tuesday afternoon, April 29, with Mrs. Mason at the parsonage. It is understood that questions of considerable importance will come before this meeting.

The usual mid-week meeting previous to communion will be held in the Congregational church parlor on Wednesday afternoon, April 30, at 2.30 o'clock. In addition to the devotional service, attention will be given to certain matters of business and it is hoped that there may be a good attendance. The "backward" social given by the social committee of the C. E. society on last week Friday evening was true to name from the very start, which was much later than intended, owing to the delayed trains. There was nothing slow, however, about the gathering after it got started, and some of the stunts performed in the various competitions were quite exciting. It is generally conceded that a more enjoyable affair has not been held by this society for many a day.

At the Congregational church on Sunday morning, the pastor will take as the theme of his discourse, "Qualities that confer."

The usual C. E. prayer meeting at the Congregational church will be omitted on April 27, on account of the quarterly meeting of the Harvard Temperance society, which will be held at the Unitarian church.

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the date for the meeting of the North Middlesex Branch of the Woman's Board of Missions with the Harvard auxiliary. It is expected that at least seventy-five visitors will be entertained, the session beginning at about ten o'clock in the morning and continuing through the afternoon, with the usual intermission at noon for lunch. The missionary society will be assisted in entertaining by the Ladies' Benevolent society.

Miss Helen E. Stone has accepted the position of organist at the Unitarian church in Harvard, and has resigned her position as assistant organist of the Baptist church. We are very sorry to have her go, but what is our loss will be their gain.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. Fairchild, of Rutherford, N. J., arrived in Bull River on Tuesday for their summer stay in their home here.

Fairfield, of Littleton, is to give the address, and the music will be in charge of Mr. Thayer.

On last Saturday, Mrs. Eliza Gracie observed her eighty-second birthday, and in the afternoon, Mrs. A. H. Keyes, an old schoolmate; Miss Katherine Lawrence, Mrs. Mabel Sprague and Merrill Sprague visited her and had a fine time.

Miss Emma Raymond, of Charlestown, spent Saturday and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. H. D. Stone; Mr. and Mrs. Luther H. Bateman, of Arlington, were guests of their brother and sister, Fred and Eliza Bateman; Mr. and Mrs. John Kenney, of Boston, and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Mullen, of Lynn, were guests of their mother, Mrs. Bridget Joyce, over the holiday.

Chester Willard's electric milking machines were set up and got into operation on Monday night, and now his cows will be milked by mechanical power, rather than by hand.

A May dance given by Miss N. T. Hartshorn, assisted by the children in a Maypole dance and a flower German in town hall, Thursday evening, May 1, Superba orchestra. Refreshments served.

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Saturday, April 26, 1913.

WESTFORD.

Center.
 Albert E. Jenne has sold his large 100-acre farm at the south part of the town to Ernest C. Emerson, of Nahant. Jenne is looking out for a smaller farm.

A fire that burned over considerable territory happened on last Saturday. Sparks from an engine was the contributing cause. What is known as the Leland lot, some land owned by William Pollock and some belonging to the Cold Spring farm were burned over—about seven acres in all. Forest fire warden Nesmith and his helpers were kept pretty busy for a time.

Mrs. C. A. Blaney and little daughter are enjoying a vacation with relatives in Boston.

Miss Lillian Sutherland enjoyed the high school play at Groton on Friday evening of last week, where she was the special guest of Misses Hattie and Lottie Woods.

A recent engagement noted is as follows: "The engagement is announced of Miss Agnes H. Horner, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. T. J. Horner, of Attleboro, to F. G. Allen, a sculptor, and an assistant instructor at the Boston Museum of Fine Arts, the wedding to take place in June." The prospective bride's father was formerly in charge of the Unitarian church here.

Mrs. Doris Putnam, of Groton, has been a recent guest of Miss Emily F. Fletcher, and was among those present at the Tadnuck club on Tuesday afternoon.

Albert W. Woods left town on Tuesday to try his luck in the west, his destination being Portland, Oregon. This was where John Good and family went a few seasons ago.

Edgar Parker, of South Chelmsford, who has a meat and provision route in this village, and who is sick with an attack of blood poisoning, is still shut-in and reports "will be for some time longer."

Word comes to the home people that Miss Mary Moran is well and thoroughly enjoying her well-earned vacation in California.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hildreth, of Winchester, were guests over the holiday of Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Hildreth.

Misses Lillian Sutherland and Margaret Sullivan, members of the Glee club at the Normal school, went to Winchester on Thursday to participate in a school concert there. Afterwards, Miss Sutherland went to stay over night with Mrs. L. J. Marden, in Woburn, and the following day went to the hospital to see her sister Beatrice, who is convalescing nicely, and expects to be able to leave the hospital some time next week.

Mrs. Homer M. Seavey is expected home from the hospital at Lowell the last of the week.

The Whitney park and playground is being put in good order for the season. The surface has been rolled and a section re-rolled. The shrubbery promises to look very nicely this season.

Mr. and Mrs. H. V. Hildreth were at camp at Forge pond over the holiday.

The first regular ball game of the season took place on last Saturday between Littleton high and Westford academy, the latter claiming the victory with a score of 5 to 4.

Frank C. Drew is having the house occupied by the A. W. Hartford repaired and the change of coloring is exceedingly pretty and improving.

The monthly missionary meeting of the Congregational church was held with the president, Miss Loker, on Friday afternoon of last week.

It is reported to the Westford friends that Miss Harriet M. Hodgson has bought a home for herself a small place in Dunstable.

The first meeting of the Home-makers' course under the auspices of the Tadnuck club takes place on Monday afternoon at the lower town hall at 2:30 o'clock. The subject given that afternoon by the lecturer, Miss Alice Bunce, of Worcester, are "Why study home-making," and "A well balanced diet." It is very much hoped that all who would benefit by this course through the next week will avail themselves of the opportunity offered.

Miss Mary Burbeck is staying with her aunt, Mrs. Abbie Hamlin, who is not well.

There will be a supper and entertainment at the Congregational church next Wednesday evening supper at 6:30, and entertainment at eight. This latter will be given by the Glee club quartet, of Boston university, assisted by a reader, and will be one of the best of the season.

Miss Amy Buckhold, of Ludlow, Vt. is the guest of her aunt, Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher, of Westford.

The committee in charge of the Home-makers' course during next week wish to announce that next members' tickets for the same are not transferable.

Services will be held as usual at the Congregational church on Sunday. The work in the vestries will not be finished as planned, but this will not deter the regular services for the day being carried through.

Conductor Clement of the branch line electric has a day off on Wednesday, and E. W. Carley, of Ayer, substituted for him.

The boys comprising the baseball nine of the Frost school are the proud possessors of new uniforms—grey, with blue letters.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren have engaged board at Mrs. Blodgett's for a time while fitting their recently purchased home, the H. B. Hall place, for occupancy.

Tadnuck Club.
 The regular meeting of the Tadnuck club took place on Tuesday afternoon at Library hall. The last of the season's special meetings for the study of Holland was the topic of the afternoon, the subject being "Customs and Costumes in Holland," for which Rev. Nicholas Pyle, of Haverhill, had been secured. He proved

himself a most engaging speaker and his audience would gladly have listened longer to his frank and simple presentation of peasant life in Holland as he had studied during several visits to what is his native country.

The speaker emphasized the fact that not in the large centers of the country were the truest types of the people to be found, but to be studied in the unhurried by-ways not always scheduled in the guide books. Many phases of life in home, school and church, the quaint costumes, the housewifery, the genuine hospitality, the freedom from nervous hurry as we know it, were presented with entertaining discrimination by Dr. Van der Pyle. There was a good audience, including several of the men of the community, it being the annual meeting.

At the business session, reports were given by the secretary and treasurer. The secretary reported the present membership as eight, there, ten having been added during the season. Thus far, fifteen regular meetings have been held, four in the Unitarian church and four in the Congregational church, one of the latter being in the evening. Eight clubs have been served. Two deaths have been chronicled, that of Mrs. Mary E. Fletcher and Mrs. Josephine M. Barnard, both charter members, and a great loss to the special topic programs, both the special topic study, and the miscellaneous topics, have been unusually well carried out by the committees in charge.

The treasurer's report showed good financing with all bills paid and a balance in the treasury. Mrs. Wallace reported for the nominating committee and the following officers were chosen by written ballot: Miss Sarah W. Loker, pres.; Miss Ella F. Hildreth, v. p.; Mrs. L. W. Wheeler, sec.; Miss Edith A. Wright, treas. The name of Mrs. Charles D. Colburn was presented for membership.

The next meeting will be the closing meeting of the season and will be the annual social or guest night. This will be held in the evening in the Congregational church at eight o'clock. There will be an attractive program, followed by refreshments.

About Town.
 Plowing with oxen on a sulky plow with nothing but "Whoa! Hush there now," to guide them by, what was seen recently on a Bedford farm. Did some say that the world moves? It could hardly be said of the sulky plow.

George O. Spalding, on the Chelmsford side of Francis hill, has an abundance of winter apples yet that keep usually until the mosquitoes announce the arrival of dog days.

Amos Polly planted sixteen bushels of potatoes on Tuesday with the Aspinwall potato planter. He had planned to plant only four bushels, but owing to a miscalculation of misunderstanding or some defect in the working of the multiplication table, it proved out four times what the regulations and specifications called for.

David Sherman is ripping the moss out of the John H. Decatur farm with overturned, tipped-over furrows, and the rats, are looking for lodgings in some undisturbed hiding place.

The Fortnightly club have postponed the well planned play "Black Diamond," until Friday evening, May 2, at the Wright schoolhouse, Groton on account of the ministerial show by West Chelmsford Debating society at the town hall on last week Friday evening. The "Black Diamond" company are real live folks and just it proved to you. They have postponed the exhibition of their goods in order that they might see yours. Now remember reciprocity is the word.

Marshall's hall at Westford Corner is being charged up with electricity.

Albert E. Jenne has sold his farm on the Chelmsford road to Charles E. Emerson, of Nahant. The house is to be remodelled to correspond to the model which is invisible to the purchaser.

Albert Woods left town on Tuesday morning for Washington, D. C.

The ball and bottle bill so long the hope and dread of many was defeated for its repeal as part of the diet of society. On a roll call on Monday the house, by a vote of 105 to 120, refused to enact it, and on the motion to reconsider on Tuesday, reconsideration was refused by a vote of 87 to 121. The Saloon league argued that more liquor was sold under the bar and bottle bill than before its enactment, that they were anxious to do something for temperance and sell so much less than that none would be sold, no one seemed to be quite ready to charge them with such anxiety lest suit might be brought for slander.

The next meeting of Middlesex-North Pomona will be held at Odd Fellows' hall, Bridge street, Lowell, on Friday, May 2.

James H. O'Brien, on Pigeon hill, Stony Brook road, is suffering from blood poisoning, the result in part of spraying trees.

Under the auspices of Westford grange, members of Lincoln grange will give the three-act comedy, "Bar Haven," at town hall, Westford, on Wednesday evening, May 1. Dancing will follow the play.

Carl Strandburg, on the Lowell road, had a narrow escape last week Wednesday. In attempting to cross the railroad track at Brookside, before an approaching freight train, an engine passed so close that it soiled his new suit, washed and ironed jumper jacket, the boy escaping injury.

The Ellis milk bill was defeated in the house of representatives on Wednesday on a roll call by a vote of 131 to 87.

Grange.
 The grange had no question of quorum at the initiation of a class of five in the third and fourth degrees on last week Thursday evening. Littleton, Groton, Stow, Chelmsford, Dracut, Mendon and Dover, N. H., granges were represented. The third degree was exemplified by the Index degree team, which received the approval of applause for the efficiency of its "marching orders" and its fourth degree was worked by the "regulars," and at its close, Deputy Moses U. Gaskell, of Mendon, inspected the work of the evening, the officers of the evening and Westford grange generally. He was lenient in criticism because the officers "knew their own," and the members also on their behavior and efficiency.

Charles H. Holt, of Dover grange, remarked some humorous stories, and responded with a recitation that the grange look from the countenance. Fast Master Barrow, of Littleton, followed with optimistic and courage. Rev. J. S. Moulton, of Stow, a former resident of Westford, remarked on the great number of un-

familiar faces in Westford grange since the years since he was with us. Mrs. Sarree of Dracut grange, and lecturer of Middlesex-North Pomona grange, affirmed words of loyalty towards the Pomona grange. Fred L. Fletcher, of Chelmsford grange, and past master of Westford grange, was the last speaker and recalled the pleasant memories in the early history of Westford grange.

At the close of all of the entertainment, the provision that sustains was liberally provided by Westford grange in the lower hall.

Death.
 John W. Fletcher, who died suddenly at his office on Boylston street, Boston, on Tuesday, was the son of the late Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Fletcher. He was a native of Westford and a graduate of Westford academy. He has not been a resident of the town for nearly forty years. Twenty-five years ago he went to New York where he became one of the most celebrated palmists in the world. While there he specialized in financial work and numbered among his clients the late J. P. Morgan. He travelled extensively in foreign lands, and during his stay in London he was visited by Queen Victoria and King Edward VII. to read their palms. Authority says that he had a world reputation as a palmist and seldom made mistakes. He had travelled extensively in Turkey, Egypt and Palestine, which gave him valuable experience, which served him well in his business career.

In his youthful days in Westford, he was much interested in spiritualism, which probably had much to do in his development as a celebrated palmist. For the past three years he had made his home with his cousin, Miss Anna Coolidge, 49 Powell street, Lowell. He leaves numerous relatives in Westford and Maine.

His death was sad and sudden, and closed a remarkably successful career in its special field at the age of sixty-two years. Judge Frederick A. Fisher, of Lowell, was called to take charge of his affairs, and burial will take place in the Edson cemetery, Lowell.

Graniteville.
 Among the week-end visitors here for the holiday week-end: Edward Quinn of Boston, William Casey of Worcester, Mr. and Mrs. John Donahue of Lowell, and Miss Margaret Horan of Charlestown.

The new pastor of the M. E. church has not arrived here as yet, but is expected to arrive here on Monday and will preach his first sermon here at the Sunday morning service.

Mrs. H. J. Healy has recently returned from a visit to Salem.

Baseball.
 The baseball season opened here on last Saturday when two games were played. The game in the morning was between the White Sox and the Salem A. C., of Lowell. The Lowell boys were extensively in this contest and were out-classed in this contest by the score of 11 to 1. McCarthy and Freeman did the batter work for the White Sox.

In the afternoon a large crowd was present to witness the opening game between the regular Graniteville team and the South Ends, of Lowell. Manager Lyons, of the Lowell club, had a strong aggregation of ball players and stood pat on his lineup, while out several players. The game was filled with free hitting and egg fielding on both sides, and both pitchers were supported rather poorly owing to the cold, disagreeable weather and the high wind that prevailed at all times. Dick Spinner did the backstop work for Graniteville and put up a much better game than any catcher that has handled his brother "Jack's" shoots so far.

Graniteville will play the Tiger A. C. in Leominster on Saturday, April 26.

The White Sox will play the Tigers of North Billerica here on Saturday afternoon, April 26. Game called at five o'clock. The White Sox want games and would like to hear from the high school teams from Westford, Chelmsford, Littleton, Groton and Ayer. Address Alfred Gagnon, secretary, Graniteville.

Forge Village.
 The mills at the Abbot Worsted Co. closed on Patriots' day. They will run only four days a week until further notice closing down on Thursday night until Monday morning. This will continue most likely until the question of the wool tariff bill is closed at Washington.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Tizzer of Melrose and their family spent the holidays at their cottage on the shores of Forge Pond.

Little Miss Carmel Rose, of Belmont, is a guest at the home of her grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Spain.

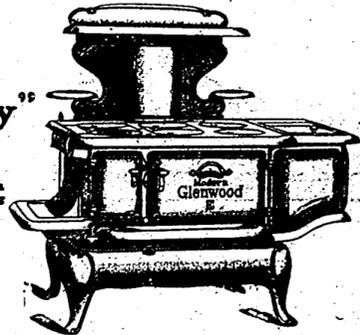
The following from this village left for Keighley, England, on the S. S. Cymric on Tuesday: Mrs. Fielding, Waddington and niece, Miss Gladys Emery, Miss Margaret Smith, Thomas Flannery and Miss Kitty Ellis, Miss Ellis returning next fall.

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will be held on Sunday evening at 7.30 o'clock.

Little Ruth Bennett, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Bennett, is ill with pneumonia.

Mr. and Mrs. John Edwards recently entertained William Goodall, of Worcester, formerly of this village.

On account of the fire which destroyed the factory of the Bay State Stamping Company, in which he is interested, Alvin S. Bennett was called to Worcester last Monday. The loss which is estimated to be in the vicinity of \$25,000, is partly covered by insurance.

Mr. and Mrs. John Carmichael have had as their guests for the past few days, Mr. and Mrs. Alvah Blecknell, of Somerville.

Miss Emily Collins and Miss Sarah Precious spent the holiday with Mr. and Mrs. August Myers, of Boston.

The Ladies' Sewing Circle met on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. D. Prescott.

Miss Emily Illingworth of Arlington Heights is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Blodgett of the Ridges.

Rev. William Ford conducted the services at St. Andrew's mission on last Sunday evening which were very well attended. Mr. Ford is the newly appointed vicar of St. Andrew's parish and this was his initial service. A reception was held in his honor by the parishioners on Friday evening in Ayer. The services at the mission

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SHIRLEY.

News Items.
The high school play, "The Private Tutor," was presented at Odd Fellows hall on last week Friday evening before a large audience and encore before the members of the cast, whose efforts were crowned with success and reflected credit upon their principal, Miss Margreta S. Hastings, under whose sole direction the play was staged. Those taking part were all high school pupils and consisted of Walter Wheeler, Walter Badstuber, Leslie Wells, John Logue, Howard Emerson, Madeline Logue, Gladys Annis and Blanche Wells. Dancing followed the play with music by local parties. About seventy dollars was netted for the school, which amount will be used to meet the expenses of graduation exercises.

The newly organized baseball team of the Shirley Athletic club won from the married men in a match game of baseball on last Saturday by a score of 13 to 3.
Miss Alice Horton spent the week-end with friends in Malden.
Miss Emma Knowles spent the week-end in Boston and vicinity visiting relatives and friends.
John Flynn spent the week-end with his brother, P. J. Flynn, of Allston.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening.
At the high school assembly held on last week Friday afternoon, the following program was given: Piano solo, Miss Peppin; current events, Miss Ruth Day; reading, Miss Edna Hayden; school paper editors, Ralph Graves and Miss Fricelle Sweetser.
D. Chester Parsons was a member of the reception committee at a O. U. W. ball held at Horticultural hall, Boston, on last week Friday evening. Thomas C. Burrill, John E. Adams, William A. J. Daley and Miss Grace M. Adams attended the ball.
Mrs. Carrie R. Bruce, of Boston, spent the week-end and over Sunday at the home of her mother, Mrs. Inez Sawyer.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Gately, of Boston, spent Patriots' day and over Sunday with relatives in town.
The baseball team known as the Shirley Juniors went to Leominster on last Saturday and played a game with a Leominster team. The Shirley team were the victors by a score of 6 to 3.
The parochial school team known as the Steam Rollers, were defeated by the public school team known as the luggers on last Saturday by a score of 22 to 4.
The D. A. R. minstrel show given by the boys of the Industrial school will be given in Odd Fellows hall on Friday evening, May 9. Rehearsals have been in progress for a few weeks and its presentation is being eagerly looked toward by the rows, musical director of the school, has full charge of the show, and new songs, jokes and local hits will be some of the interesting features.

The grand May ball given by the large number of pupils of Mrs. C. E. White, under her supervision, was held in Odd Fellows hall on Friday evening, May 2. The affair this year promises to eclipse all past efforts in this line, and entirely new features will be introduced. The Maypole dance will be one of splendor as the little tots and juniors are taking more than ordinary interest.
Rev. Walter I. Eaton, of Yale college, will again occupy the pulpit of the Congregational church on Sunday morning at 10.45 o'clock.
Miss Louise Burden, of Everett, is visiting at the home of Mrs. W. Love. The dancing class reception and ball given by Mrs. C. E. White, will be held in Odd Fellows hall on Friday evening, May 2. Exhibition of fancy and Maypole dances by Mrs. White's pupils at eight o'clock, after which there will be dancing for all until twelve o'clock. Late for Ayer, Leominster and Fitchburg.

Mrs. Lucy J. Merriman returned home on Tuesday from a week's visit to Springfield and Westfield.
D. Chester Parsons represented J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., at the grand lodge session in Boston on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week. Arthur H. Jubb, Walter Knowles, John M. Leopold and Thomas C. Burrill attended the session on Tuesday and were conferred with the grand lodge degree.
Leo O'Neill has accepted a position at Proctor's garage, Ayer.

The experience party to be held by the Leading Circle of the Congregational church will take place in the vestry of the church on Wednesday evening, May 7.
Mrs. Clara Richie, who has been at the home of her sister-in-law, Mrs. Inez Sawyer, for the past three years, and an invalid from the effects of a knock, is now in a very critical condition. Her brother has arrived at the home; also, Mrs. Carrie R. Bruce.
Miss Clara Peneseau, who has been confined to her home the past month with sickness, is improving nicely.

Barges will leave the depot at seven o'clock for the benefit of citizens who wish to attend the special town meeting on Saturday evening, April 26, at the town hall.
Center.
Miss Hazel Harris, of Fitchburg, spent the latter part of last week with the Misses Margaret and Mildred Evans.
Miss Vera Bradford spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bradford.
Miss Alison B. Winslow, of Boston, was a guest of Misses Pauline and Priscilla Sweetser last week.
Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Goodspeed, of Wollaston, spent the week-end at their summer home on Center road.
Mr. and Mrs. Woodward, of Fitchburg, are spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Bradford.
The furniture belonging to Miss Helen M. Winslow was moved last week from H. B. Sweetser's to Mrs. M. W. Longley's shop. Miss Winslow expects to move later into Mrs. Cynthia Lynch's house on Center road, which is soon to be vacated by Mrs. W. H. Schenck. Miss Winslow is spending the present week at the home of Mrs. Chany in Washington, D. C.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Pray, of Brookline, are spending a few days at their home on Parker road.
Mr. and Mrs. C. J. Lovell, of Hensler, N. H., are spending a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Barnard.
A. A. Adams, local superintendent of moth work, badly burned one of his hands last week while spraying for the San Jose scale with lime and sulphur solution.
J. Edward Adams, of Boston, spent the week-end with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Adams.

Arthur Carlson, who has been ill with scarlet fever at the home of Mr. and Mrs. William Boutillier, is now able to be out again, and the quarantine has been removed from the house.

Rev. Williston M. Ford, of Fitchburg, preached at the Memorial church, Trinity chapel on last Sunday afternoon on the subject of "Preaching."

Robert H. J. Holden returned to Harvard university on Sunday after a week's vacation spent with his mother, Mrs. Hattie P. Holden.
Mrs. William Wilkins sailed on the SS. Cymric for England on last Tuesday. Mr. Wilkins and son Elmer accompanied her to Boston. Mrs. Wilkins will visit her mother in Coventry, and other relatives in Benningry, and other places. She expects to be gone about a month. Miss Nellie Wilkins, of Arlington, will remain with her brother and family during Mrs. Wilkins' absence.
Herman E. Willis is a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Howard Hatch.

Clipping.
The following extracts were taken from an article in a recent issue of the Marlboro Enterprise:
Old Concord chapter, D. A. R., held its April meeting on Saturday afternoon at the chapter house with members present. Mrs. George Minot Baker, the regent, presided, and gave a report of the two meetings to elect a state regent which she had attended.

Mrs. Charles K. Bolton, of Brookline, and Shirley, was introduced and delighted the Daughters by her interesting paper on "Farm life one hundred years ago." She quoted several extracts from an old-time diary of James Parker, of Shirley, which charmingly revealed the simple methods and homely pursuits of the people of his time. It was particularly appropriate that this paper should have been given in the chapter house, a part of which was built in 1708. A hearty vote of thanks was given Mrs. Bolton, after which the meeting adjourned for a social hour.

Special Town Meeting.
A special town meeting will be held at the town hall on Saturday evening, April 26, at 7.30 o'clock, to see how the town will act upon the following articles:

- Art. 1. To hear the report of the selectmen concerning the construction of a building on the playground and all other town tools.
- Art. 2. To authorize the town treasurer with the approval of the selectmen to borrow a sum of money not exceeding \$1000 for the purpose of constructing this building.
- Art. 3. To authorize the town treasurer to borrow a sum of money not exceeding \$1500 for the reconstruction of White's bridge, so-called, across the Nashua on Great Road between Shirley and Ayer, in cooperation with the Commonwealth of Massachusetts and the towns of Shirley and Ayer.
- Art. 4. To see if the town will appropriate \$75 for the purpose of purchasing a safe for the town treasurer.
- Art. 5. To see if the town will buy 500 feet of rubber lined fire hose and appropriate a sum of money for that purpose.
- Art. 6. To see if the town will vote to increase price paid for labor on the highways from \$1.75 to \$2.00 per day.
- Art. 7. To see if the town will appropriate \$200 for the purpose of spraying trees for the extermination of the elm tree beetle.

LUNENBURG.

News Items.
Rev. Alfred Noon, who has been assigned to the pastorate of the Methodist church here for the ensuing year, preached his first sermon last Sunday at ten o'clock. He was accompanied by Mrs. Noon who accompanied him on this his first trip to Lunenburg and their new home. They came on Saturday evening, April 20, and were met at the pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. William Akker.
Rev. George R. Moody, who has served two years as pastor of the M. E. church here, goes to Townsend, and preached his first sermon there last Sunday morning. Mr. Moody and family have many warm friends in Lunenburg, who are rejoiced to know that he is not going any further away. The very few who were present at the home of the family to their new fields of labor. Until the school year ends in June, the family will occupy Miss Julia Kemp's cottage, the corner of Cunningham avenue and West street.

Miss Lucy Brooks, one of the teachers in the Center school, was suddenly ill on Thursday evening of last week, and was not able to go out again until the following Tuesday. She then only for a few days. Miss E. Woods attended her and Miss Helen G. Jones took her place in school, during the week. Miss Brooks is now absent from the schoolroom. She returned to her duties on Wednesday morning, though not feeling very strong, and her loving little pupils called often to inquire after her and kept her room well supplied with the fragrant arbutus and many other early flowers.

John Gilchrist, Allen Jewett, Miss Elizabeth Bryant and Miss Nellie Jewett attended the C. E. convention at Sohier bridge on April 19.
Rev. Alfred Noon and family arrived in town on Tuesday. Their household goods came the same day by train, and were taken to the home of Arthur Emerson and family moved into the Duren cottage on Saturday, thus vacating the tenement they have been occupying in the center of the town.
Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Smith, of Fitchburg, have moved into the pretty new cottage recently purchased of Robert H. Hiley.
Beverly Price, of Flat Hill, who has been seriously ill with rheumatic fever for several weeks, is much better and gaining rapidly.

Recent visitors in town were Mrs. Annie Vormell and Mrs. Julia Mudgett, of Fitchburg; John E. Allen, of Worcester Polytechnic, with his parents on Flat Hill; Frank Keen and daughter Margaret, of Boston, at the home of Orren M. Bennett, Lancaster avenue; Mrs. Mabel Eaton and Miss Jane Murray, at Augustus Taylor's, Wyman; Mr. and Dr. George Greenwood, of Fitchburg; Harry of Athol, and Herman C. Knight, of Townsend.

Memorial Association.
The Lunenburg Memorial association met in the lower town hall Monday evening for the annual election of officers and transaction of other business in preparation for Memorial day. Very favorable reports were given by the secretary and treasurer, after which the following officers were elected: Geo. C. Jewett, pres.; Clayton Stone, vice-pres.; Edna E. Adams, sec.; Mrs. Myrtle Moulton, treas. The following committees were appointed for Memorial day: Mrs. W. B. Hayward, collation; Mrs. Emma Parker, Miss Edna E. Adams, floral; Geo. C. Jewett, music; Mrs. Mabel Eaton, field, mark graves of veterans. It was voted to have the usual number of programs printed with the names of the veterans as at last year. Also voted that James A. Litchfield be

empowered to draw on the quarter-master general for headstones for unmarked graves of veterans, in cases where the surviving relatives will consent to such arrangement. Voted that the Sons and Daughters of Veterans be chosen to decorate the hall.
The arrangements for Memorial Sunday was left in charge of President George C. Jewett. As has heretofore been announced, President Jewett has secured Rev. Samuel A. Wood, of the Highland Baptist church, of Fitchburg, for the orator on Memorial day. The want program for that day will be practically the same as formerly.
There are now fourteen veterans living in Lunenburg—Charles H. Cunningham, Amos W. Goodnow, George C. Jewett, Thomas G. Lesure, James A. Litchfield, George A. Litchfield, Charles E. Longley, John E. Lyons, Calvin C. Marden, Rev. Alfred Noon, Samuel M. Nudd, Benjamin F. Rines, Joel Hayward and Stillman Stone. George C. Jewett gave a very interesting talk before the high school on Friday afternoon, giving some of his experiences and reminiscences of the civil war.

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CARD OF THANKS.
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Shirley, April 25, 1913.

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1 Grandfather's Desk, brass trimmings; 1 Mahogany Swell-front Bureau, 1 High-post Bedstead, Lot Flag Bottom Chairs, 2 Mirrors with Pictures, Tops and Glass Frames, 1 Large Mirror and other things.
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THE COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS
In Board of Gas and Electric Light Commissioners
Boston, April 22nd, 1913.

On the petition of the Shirley Light, Heat and Power Company for the approval of an issue of new capital stock of the par value of twenty-five thousand dollars (\$25,000) for the purpose of purchasing the electric light and power plant now operated in the town of Shirley and the cost of further extensions of the same, the Board will give a hearing to the parties interested at its office, 603 Ford Building at 15 Ashburton Place, Boston, on Monday, the fifth day of May next, at two-thirty o'clock in the afternoon.
And the petitioner is required to give notice of said hearing by publication hereof in the "Shirley Oracle," a newspaper published in the town of Shirley, once each week for two successive weeks prior to said time of hearing.
Per order of the Board,
R. G. TOBEY, Clerk.
A true copy. Attest:
2t33 R. G. TOBEY, Clerk.

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Notice is hereby given under Chapter 100, Revised Laws, that William Brown has applied for a sixth class license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises numbered 52 Main Street, first floor and basement.
ELISHA D. STONE, Chairman.
Ayer, Mass., April 14, 1913. 2t32

BOARD OF SELECTMEN
Notice is hereby given under Chapter 100, Revised Laws, that George H. Hill has applied for a sixth class license to sell intoxicating liquors on the premises numbered 7 Page's Block, Ayer, Mass., first floor, and basement for storage.
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GROTON.

News Items.

The Misses Ellen and Catherine Denahy have bought the Cedar Palmer cottage now occupied by Odor Folkins on Station avenue.

Mrs. Agnes Johnson Evans has been having an ill turn with the grippe and other ailments, but is improving.

John Moyle has opened a wheelwright shop on Station avenue and is prepared to do repairs of all kinds.

Rev. Sherrard Billings, of Groton, will again be the rector of St. John's church, Beverly Farms, during the summer months.

Albert F. Parkhurst was taken ill again last week and is under the doctor's care.

A grand minstrel show will be given by the State Industrial School boys in town hall on Tuesday evening, May 6.

The concerting work at the Pine-croche church is completed, the work being very nicely done by George A. Culver.

The following May services are to be held at the town hall, beginning at 7.30 in the evening, with singing led by boys of Groton School:

May 4. Rev. Alexander Mann, D. D., Trinity church, Boston.

May 11. Rt. Rev. Arthur T. Lloyd, D. D., president of the Board of Missions, New York city.

May 18. Rev. Hughell Fosbrooke, D. D., Episcopal Theological school, Cambridge.

May 25. Rev. Robert B. Parker, Ascension church, Ipswich.

Edmond Booth, a student at Lawrence academy, while at his home in Grand Rapids, Mich., during vacation, was sent upon an important relief commission to Dayton and Hamilton, Ohio.

There will be a meeting of the Groton Milk Producers' association in the lower town next Monday evening.

The assessors have made prompt work of assessment this spring, it being all completed and a month earlier than usual.

Geo. E. Hodgman met with an accident Monday noon, injuring his hip. A specialist, Dr. MacAustand of Boston, has been called on the case.

The seating capacity of the town hall is 480. There were 466 tickets sold for the high school play and 450 seats occupied that night, April 18.

Miss Clara Parker, youngest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Parker of the Mill neighborhood, was married Sunday evening, April 20, to Patrick Malley of Peppercell.

Miss Leeds, teacher at the Boston Normal and Miss Jennie Thayer of Boston were guests of Miss Boutwell for Patriot's day and to attend the High school play on Friday evening.

The Book and Thimble club met this week Friday with Mrs. Geo. H. Woods. Subject, China.

Groton School was defeated in baseball game played here Wednesday, Middlesex by a score of 9 to 1.

Lawrence academy defeated Lowell Textile at Lowell on Wednesday by a score of 11-10.

Townsend high defeated Lawrence academy 2d here on Shumway field Wednesday afternoon. Score, 17-11.

The Groton friends of Mrs. Hattie Parker seem to have sympathy of the sudden death of her husband at West Groton Wednesday night.

Born Wednesday night, April 23, a daughter to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Marshall of the Mill neighborhood.

Wyndham-Martyn, the English novelist, with his wife and two children, are guests of Mrs. C. Z. Southard.

The third and fourth degrees were conferred on a class of three at the grand lodge Tuesday evening. There was no program of entertainment.

Mr. Hendrickson went this Friday to Boston to attend the Actors' benefit performance and while away will be entertained by members of the Harvard senior class at the Kappa Sigma fraternity house.

Miss Helen Thompson of Laurel, Md., writing for her father, Rev. Nathaniel Thompson, a former Groton student under him at Lawrence academy, says that it will be several weeks before the plaster cast can be removed from his hip.

Miss Eleanor Williams of West Somerville, coming to attend the high school play, was a guest for the weekend of Mrs. F. F. Woods.

Miss Susie H. Shattuck received on Tuesday an unexpected present from Rev. and Mrs. A. J. Hovey, of Caloosa, Fla. It was a generous box of delicious fruit of their own raising—grape fruit, oranges and kumquats.

Groton School plays Springfield college on Groton grounds this Saturday afternoon.

The Woman's club met last week Friday afternoon and continued the work of organization. A club motto, "Service" was adopted and it was voted to join the state federation of clubs.

Mrs. T. G. Smith entertained the Neighborhood club of which she is president, at their meeting on the afternoon of April 17.

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Class 7—Anna Freeman; Frances Lauder honorable mention.

Class 8—Blanche Frazer; Anna Denahy honorable mention.

Class 9—part—Beatrice Murphy; Gertrude Cowles honorable mention.

Class 10—Lillian Knapp; Ethel Green honorable mention.

After the awarding of prizes, dancing was enjoyed on a beautiful refreshment of ice cream and cake was served in the lower hall to all present.

And so closed another year of the Groton sewing school, which is justly appreciated by the mothers who realize the blessing it is to provide for the girls who go faithfully through the course, and learn to be neat and handy in needlework.

"A Rustic Romeo."

The two-act musical comedy, "A Rustic Romeo," was staged in the town hall on Friday evening, April 18, in a decidedly successful manner and to a crowded house.

On the other side, just across the street, is the village store and post-office. There are boxes and barrels outside, and settees for loungers, as real as the county.

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Illness of Warren seems, one of the members.

John Gamble, former superintendent at Hollingsworth & Vose paper mill, was in town on Saturday, calling on friends.

Friends of Mrs. Gerald Flewelling (Amy Shattuck) will be very much pained to learn that she was operated upon in a Boston hospital on Monday for tubercular peritonitis, and is on the dangerous list.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Catlin and son Priestley, of Pittsfield, are guests at Rev. J. P. Trowbridge's.

Miss Clara Parker was given a surprise party on Saturday evening at Andrew Blood's, the party being in the nature of a tin shower.

A. L. Sedley, of Dorchester, was in town making some repairs at his summer place on last Saturday.

Mrs. G. H. Bixby and Mrs. C. E. Bixby and daughter Dorothy made a short visit in Boston last week.

A. H. Thompson and son Provost spent Saturday and Sunday in Mattapan.

A few of the week-end and over Sunday guests were the Misses Lizzie and Rose Jarvis at Andrew Jarvis'; Mr. and Mrs. Edwin Brown, of Leominster, at Mrs. Ench Small's; Harold Simon and friend of Hyde Park, at L. G. Strand's; Mr. and Mrs. William, of East Walpole; Frank Trefethen and son Albert, of Hyde Park, at Mrs. Augusta Harrington's; Martin O'Mealey at Mrs. O'Mealey's.

It was hoped that scarlet fever, which has been so prevalent for weeks in this village had about died out as there have been no new cases for several days. It has, however, broken out again in Mr. Dudley's family on Bixby hill.

Miss Marian Donovan, of Ipswich, was in town on Wednesday. She left on the same day for Gardner, accompanied by her little sister, Yera, who has been with her grandmother, Mrs. Williams, for the past year or more.

While playing with some little neighbors on last Saturday, John Woolaver, youngest son of Mr. and Mrs. George Woolaver, fell and broke his collar bone.

The L. A. S. met with Mrs. C. L. Roy on Thursday afternoon instead of with Mrs. Guy Wright as previously planned.

Guy Wright was taken suddenly ill on Wednesday evening with an attack of appendicitis. He left on Thursday for Clinton hospital, where he is to undergo an operation.

Miss Bridget Moran was in town on Thursday. While working in Auburn she was taken very ill with appendicitis and was carried to a hospital for treatment. She obtained relief and therefore decided not to undergo an operation at present.

Warren Seems, who was injured at the paper mill two weeks ago, passed away at his home on Wednesday night, April 23, death being due to blood poisoning. His many friends were shocked to hear that this disease had developed on Monday night, it was supposed that he was expected, and even to the end it was hoped that he might be spared. His wife and relatives have the deep sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement. The funeral is to be held in the church on Saturday afternoon at two o'clock.

James F. Moore and Mrs. Calvin Howard were chosen to have their names presented as life members of the American Unitarian association at the meeting of the First Parish church recently, an honor well deserved and fittingly borne.

Patriot's day was remembered at the Unitarian church on last Sunday with a good sermon by the minister on "The minute men that are needed today."

The collection taken at the Unitarian Sunday school tomorrow will be sent to the Sunday school department of the American Unitarian association for the furtherance of their work, and it is hoped to have the collection as large as may be.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield is to speak in Harvard tomorrow evening at a meeting in the First Parish church on "The call to social service."

Rev. O. J. Fairfield returned to Ware on Wednesday of this week to be one of the speakers at the twenty-fifth anniversary of the founding of the Men's Study club, an organization without constitution, rules, dues or by-laws, which, through the efforts of much, to the intellectual and social life of that community.

Mrs. J. D. Chalmers, who has been living with her niece, Mrs. O. J. Fairfield, at the Unitarian parsonage, returned on Thursday to Yellow Springs, Ohio, where she has spent her summer recently.

Mr. and Mrs. William S. Proctor entertained as guests April 19, their cousins, Mr. and Mrs. Edgar A. Wheeler and daughter Evelyn from Everett. Mrs. Elma Bullard and son Edwin, from Providence, R. I., coming in their automobile just for the holiday.

Notices have been posted forbidding bicycle riding on the sidewalks of Littleton, but there seems to be on the part of some riders, particularly the children, a disregard of the law. The sidewalks were made for pedestrians, and should never be used for bicycle riding, even though the roadway be rough or muddy. The selectmen will enforce this law and no one who violates it can expect to escape by pleading ignorance. Let this be a warning to all would-be offenders.

B. Bleakney, of Groton, contractor, is building the state road on Lectart street, and has the danger signals posted at the necessary points on the highway.

Harry Wilson, who was severely injured by jumping from a buggy near Nagog lake two weeks ago, returned with his mother and his cousin to their New Hampshire home on last Saturday. He stood the journey very well and is improving as rapidly as can be expected.

Miss May Hardy, of Arlington, teacher in the Cambridge Latin school, was the guest of Mrs. Amelia Wakefield over the holiday and Sunday.

Miss Jackson, formerly teacher in the Littleton high school, spent Saturday and Sunday with G. H. Barker's family.

William H. Tenney has recently wired his house for electric lighting.

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West Groton. W. E. Tarbell, of Milton, N. H., spent Saturday and Sunday with his mother, Mrs. Martha Tarbell. A party consisting of Mrs. Charles Bixby, Miss Bertha Bixby, Ruth Melish, Ruth Bixby, Miss Angeline Farnsworth, Miss Isabelle Wiggin and Dorothy Thompson spent Saturday in Concord. Squannacook lodge, I. O. O. F., M. U., postponed their ladies' night party on April 23, owing to the very serious

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY E. WHITTEMORE late of Ayer in said County, deceased, intestate. Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court in a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to MARY E. MORRELL, of Ayer in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on her bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twenty-ninth day of April, A. D. 1913, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this eighth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. 3121 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

TOWNSEND

West. A delegation from the local Y. P. S. C. E. consisting of Mrs. S. D. Ringrose, Mrs. Fred Smith, Miss Alice Scudder and Henry B. Hathaway attended the county convention at Cambridge on last Saturday, leaving on the morning train and returning from Ayer by auto in the evening, after a most enjoyable session among the 3300 delegates who registered. They gave a glowing account of the meeting at the evening service of the Y. P. S. C. E., led by Kenneth Reed on Sunday evening.

Mrs. Ernest G. Wilson spent a few days last week with relatives in New Ipswich, N. H.

Miss Margaret Bell is visiting in Wenham, and Eddie Bell is spending a few days with his father in South Sudbury.

Miss Alice Welch has given up her position as assistant postmistress and is continuing her musical studies in Lowell, boarding with relatives in Everett.

The social committee of the West Townsend Brotherhood met with Mrs. R. S. Ely at her home on last Monday evening and completed plans for the annual banquet. Cold meats and salads are to be served and the speaker of the evening will be Rev. William Goble, from Fitchburg. Special music is under the direction of Rev. S. D. Ringrose, and the tickets are on sale to the members of the social committee.

Mrs. Mary Foster is moving from the tenement in William Lawrence's tenement house on Elm street to the tenement recently vacated by Mrs. Hattie Blood in the Manning house.

Mrs. Belle Blood, of Mason, N. H., is acting as housekeeper at the home of Amos Jodary on Bridge street.

Oscar Evans has been quite seriously ill with a severe attack of heart trouble and acute indigestion, but is reported as much improved.

Miss Agnes Waite is a victim of the prevailing epidemic of measles, which is raging at the Center.

Mrs. Warren Elliot was confined to her home for several days last week with a severe cold.

Harding H. Brooks, a former resident of this village, now conducting business in Ashby, has purchased the Oren Bruce place which was sold at auction on last week Thursday.

Waldo Whitney, the former superintendent at the town farm, is boarding at the home of his sister, Mrs. Charles Donley.

Mr. and Mrs. Burton Bruce and son Nelson, from Boston, have been spending a few days with Mrs. Oren Bruce, who is moving to Townsend Center in a few weeks.

The Knights of the White Shield held a parents' night and public institute of officers by Counsellor Rev. S. D. Ringrose at the Baptist vestry on Tuesday evening. One of the pleasing features of the entertainment was the presentation of a flag given the order by Clarence L. Webber. The banquet eating contest was enjoyed by Howard Eastman, John Eldredge and Kenneth Reed, the contest being won by John Eldredge.

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hodgman have been entertaining a party of friends from Boston.

Miss Byrer, of Wollaston, and Miss Olla, of Dorchester, spent the weekend with Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Davis.

Daniel Robbins, of Ayer and Greenfield, visited his sister, Mrs. William Robbins, over Sunday.

The Ladies' Study club held a social meeting at the Reading-room on Wednesday to celebrate the closing of the season's work. Twelve members were present and a brief business meeting was held in charge of the president, Mrs. Charles Hodgman, to transact unfinished business, after which they adjourned until the second Thursday evening in October. The affair was in charge of the program committee and proved very successful.

Mr. and Mrs. E. T. Davis are visiting for a few days with friends in Scituate.

Mrs. Sarah Lawrence is spending a few weeks in Leominster.

Mr. Carter and family, who have been for several years on the Frank Adams place, are soon to leave town.

Stickney's mill has been closed for a few days, owing to the breaking of the main shaft.

Work has commenced on the ledge the past week, but the men employed are finding great difficulty in getting boarding places.

Mrs. Herman W. Lawrence spent Wednesday with relatives in West Acton.

Holiday Guests. Among the guests in town for the holiday were Mrs. St. Armour, of Providence, R. I., Mrs. Mary Wilson of Nashua, N. H., and Miss Agnes Wilson of Waltham, at Mr. and Mrs. E. G. Wilson's; Mrs. F. J. Tenney, of the Center, and a party of friends from Lunenburg, at Mr. and Mrs. G. H. Tenney's; Mr. and Mrs. S. Leroy Shapleigh and little daughter at Mrs. Mary Foster's; Harold Thorpe of Shirley, at Mrs. Sarah Lawrence's; George Willard of Boston, with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. James A. Willard; Albert Adams and an auto party of friends from Providence, R. I., at Mr. and Mrs. George Adams'; Mr. and Mrs. Frank of Quincy, with their sister, Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin; Frank Hamilton of Webster, with his mother, Mrs. Augustus Stevens, of Stevens Hill; Mrs. Plummer of Somerville, at Dr. and Mrs. R. S. Ely's; Miss Bennett of Lowell, with Miss M. Elinor Tower; Ralph and Walter Davis, sons of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Davis of the Ashby road, with Mrs. Lucy Lawrence; Miss Mabel Thompson of Boston, with her mother, Mrs. Charles E. Patch.

Successfully Presented. The three-act drama, "The Colonel's Maid," was successfully presented for the benefit of the Baptist church in Seminary hall on last Saturday evening, to a large and enthusiastic audience. The cast of characters was especially well taken. William H. Mills, as the irascible and peppy old Col. Rudd, dominated the play from start to finish, while Ian Rusk, as the light-hearted and lovable Bob, held the close interest of the audience in his original wording of Margery, the colonel's maid, who was aptly portrayed by Mrs. R. S. Ely. Dr. Henry B. Boynton, as Col. Byrd, was a type of the southern aristocrat, both in appearance and manner, and Mrs. Albert H. Wilson took the part of the "beautiful and stately" Mrs. Carroll in her usual pleasing style, while Miss Emma Adams, as Julia, made a charming and independent daughter.

The minor part of the family lawyer was well taken by George M. Strong, and Carl E. Willard, as the absent-minded and forgetful gentleman of several names, won great honors, and Ching-a-ling, the cream of the show, won hearty laughter and

great applause from the opening scene to the curtain fall on the last act. The affair was eminently successful and about twenty-five dollars were cleared for the church.

Center. A large house witnessed the drama "Down East," given by the Squannacook Dramatic club of the Harbor on last week Friday evening at Memorial hall, and all went well repaid for attending. The manner of the well learned play was put on and the well learned parts showed that much effort had been expended by the club to make it a success. This is the second play given by this club for the benefit of the Townsend A. A., and their work has netted the association quite a snug sum. Between \$46.00 and \$50.00 will be netted after all expenses from this last play. Dancing was enjoyed until a late hour after the play, Robbins' orchestra, of Pepperell, furnished the music.

Will Whitcomb and family, of Newtonville, accompanied by Gertrude Rockwood, of Boston, arrived by auto at W. F. Rockwood's to enjoy the holiday.

Ralph Piper, of Durham, N. H., Beattie McGuire, Arthur Eastman and Will Lang, of Boston, were at their respective homes over the holiday.

At the grange meeting on Monday evening there will be a farce in charge of Hattie E. Cook, songs, current events and amusements.

Mrs. Laura Richards, who underwent a serious surgical operation for an abscess in the head several weeks ago at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, was able to return on Monday, but is still very weak, although steadily improving.

The new organ for the Congregational church arrived here the latter part of last week, having been shipped from Baltimore on April 12. There will be some one sent here this week by the manufacturers to oversee setting it up.

Ralph Reed, of Melrose, and Lillian Eldredge, of Waltham, were at H. B. Hildreth's over Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. I. M. Clem entertained Mr. and Mrs. Frank V. Noyes and little son for the week-end.

The high school opened their baseball season with Shirley Industrial school on last Saturday on the latter's grounds and started the ball rolling by securing the first game with a score of 11 to 9, which looks good to the boys for a starter.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of HENRY O. BURNHAM late of Littleton in said County, deceased, intestate. Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to CHARLES A. KIMBALL of Littleton in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the twelfth day of May, A. D. 1913, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have why the same should not be granted. And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. 3123 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of WILLIAM T. SERVEY late of Pepperell in said County, deceased. Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court, for Probate, by FRANCIS G. HAYES who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to him, the executor therein named, without giving a surety on his official bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the fifth day of May, A. D. 1913, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted. And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week for three successive weeks in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this tenth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. 3122 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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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,

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BROOKLINE, N. H.

Current Events. Mrs. Walter Parker, Miss Eliza J. Parker and Miss Oulette of Lowell were at their summer home a few days last week.

Dr. C. H. Holcombe attended the New Hampshire Surgical club at Manchester last week. On Tuesday, April 22, Dr. Holcombe presided over the meeting of the Hillsboro County Medical association at Nashua. Dinner was served to those attending at the Tremont House.

It is nearly always the case when Dr. Holcombe officiates at an accident he has three in succession, and happened so last week. After the affair of the Polanders' mixup, he was called to attend John J. Jowett, who recently purchased Rufus Wells' farm, who had this does with an axe, which the doctor dressed on Saturday. On Sunday, John Leppe, who boards with Mrs. Samuel Fuller, fell down stairs, and badly. At last reports, he was hurt quite being a heavy man, and he is not so hardy state the extent of his injuries.

Mrs. Edith Bryant, of Farnsworth, was the guest of the grammar school, Mrs. Morten Campbell, the former of which, was obliged to leave to attend to other duties. Miss Hattie Smith, of Townsend, is at the South primary, and Miss Clara Russell is at the West primary.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Powers are living in Boston, and Mrs. Celia Powers is there also for a short time. Miss Leonora Bradley was at Townsend last week for a visit.

Mrs. Sarah Corey and Miss Jessie Corey enjoyed an auto ride with Herbert Corey to Townsend on Friday of last week.

Judge and Mrs. E. E. Parker have been at Inncroft for a few days. Mr. and Mrs. George Cady, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Corey, Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Corey were at Nashua, N. H., to receive the Rebekah degree of Odd Fellowship. There are now ten members in the lodge.

The house vacated by Charles Wilkins and family has been sold, and it is said the party is to make extensive repairs. Ruth Nye is at her grandfather's, George H. Nye, ill with the measles.

Wedding. Wedding bells chimed merrily on Tuesday evening, April 15, when Rev. Dr. Harvey W. Ewing, pastor of Trinity church, Worcester, Mass., officiated at a very pretty wedding. The bride, when Miss Selma Corinna Ayres, Delbert Bailey of Worcester, formerly of this town.

The church organist, Louis E. Mason, entertained with a pleasing program of wedding music while the bride and groom were seated in the main auditorium from 6.30 to seven o'clock, at which time Mr. Ayres presented his bride for the bridal service. The maid of honor was Miss Letta M. Ayres, sister of the bride, and the bridesmaids were Miss Bertha M. Mayher, of Nashua, Miss Edith M. Gage. The best man was Ernest N. Betterley, of Clinton, Mass., a cousin of the groom. The ushers were H. Edwin Green, Robert P. Morgan, Leon E. Felton and Lester P. Lusk, of Nashua.

A handsome gown of white embroidered marquiset over white satin, trimmed with fine lace and pearls, was worn by the bride, while the bride veil, worn full length, was caught to her coilure with orange blossoms. The bridal shower bouquet was of roses. For trailing, the bride wore the broadcloth suit with a hat to match. Miss Letta's gown was of pale blue satin, trimmed with white lace and gold lace and yellow flowers were worn by the maids who carried yellow marquiset and the maid of honor carried pink roses in a shower bouquet. The bride gave her attendants friendship brooches, while the best man and ushers received scarf holders from the groom.

Potted palms and roses were used in profusion as decorations at the church, and roses and carnations at the home of the bride's parents, 7 Newport street, where a reception to eighty friends and guests was held immediately after the ceremony.

The new home of the young couple will be at Auburn street, Worcester, where numerous gifts received will ornament the apartments.

An Exciting Time. A disgraceful affair took place on Friday evening, April 18, at the home of Otto Winberg, when three imported prize fighting champions, Frank McCormack and John Kerry began a quarrel. At about ten o'clock, William Kraluick, with a hammer, began striking one of the other two. In the melee he dropped the hammer, or some one took it away from him, and he at once procured an axe from Fred Hall's wood pile, and for a time it seemed as though the result would end in a murder. Help was called for and Chief of Police Harry Campbell, with his aids, Walter Fessenden and William Randall, quickly responded and at once arrested the culprit and took him to Milford.

Meanwhile Dr. Holcombe had been summoned, and upon his arrival started to repair the broken heads of McCormack and Commasky, one of whom was quite seriously injured, and it will be several days before he will be able to work.

On Saturday several witnesses were summoned to Milford, where the case was not decided fully, but later Kraluick was prevailed upon to settle the matter, and a suspended sentence of six months in jail, a fine of fifty dollars and costs, which amounted in all to \$250.

William is of a quarrelsome nature and has caused quite a bit of trouble at the icehouse, where they all were employed.

Death. On Thursday, April 17, John B. Quaid passed away at the age of 81 years and 4 days. He was born at Hollis, but came to Brookline years ago, and has resided in his entire life in the families of Nathaniel Hobart and Mrs. Lucilla Peabody, and he has proved a true and faithful friend and assistant. For twenty years or more he has been with Mrs. Peabody at the Elmwood. He was always at home and had a pleasant greeting for all. His jokes and quaint sayings are often quoted. Mr. Quaid will be missed, not only by the family, but the patrons of the house who for so many years have met him there.

His health had been failing for some time, and when pneumonia developed he did not have strength enough to rally. Although confined to his bed for only a few days, he realized he was very ill.

The funeral services took place at his late home, the Elmwood, on Saturday afternoon, April 19, at two o'clock. Rev. W. L. Noyes officiated. Mrs. Jennie Boutelle sang "The kindly light," and "Some day we'll understand."

HOLLIS, N. H. News Items. A large audience greeted John H. Worcester, W. E. C. at the town hall on last Saturday evening to witness the two-act drama, "The mishaps of Minerva." The parts were all well taken, and the audience testified to enjoyment with frequent applause. The drama was amusing and entertaining.

Rev. John Saer, of Toronto, Canada, occupied the pulpit on last Sunday morning and evening. Mr. Saer is a man of more than ordinary preaching ability.

At the regular meeting of the Hollis grange last week, the fourth degree was exemplified on a class of eight candidates.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert W. Colby, of Newton Highlands, Mass., welcomed a son to their home on March 17. Mrs. Colby was formerly Miss Bess Colburn, a native of Hollis. They have named him Warren Kellogg Colby.

Mr. and Mrs. Hodgkins, of Lowell, Mass., have a young son named Arthur. The father is a native of Hollis. Mrs. Hodgkins was formerly Miss Grace Britton, who spent most of her life in Hollis.

William Woodin spent last Saturday and Sunday with his parents, Mrs. Louisa H. Hardy also spent those days with her parents.

Daniel Goodwin is spending this week vacation from the New Hampshire college at his home in South Hollis.

E. J. Pollock has entered the employ of Jason Read for one month.

Current Events. At the last W. R. C. meeting the members accepted an invitation from Mrs. Nellie H. Hart to meet at her home on Wednesday evening, April 30. All veterans, members of C. H. Farley camp, S. of V., and their families are cordially invited to be present.

Mr. and Mrs. Edgar Patch returned home on Monday morning after spending Saturday and Sunday with Mr. Patch's mother.

There was quite a lively chimney fire at Norman Bennett's on Sunday morning. A. F. Hildreth arrived on the scene very promptly with his hand chemical and soon after many more of the citizens came to assist. Fortunately there was no great damage done.

Mrs. Flora Hardy was in Boston on Tuesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Clement and Miss Ida Clement, of Somerville, Mass., were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clement for the week-end.

Roscoe Pierce, of Revere, and William Tucker, of Chelsea, Mass., spent the week-end at the home of Ernest Sanford on Proctor hill.

Carl and Hervey Guething, of Technology, spent the holiday with their mother, Mrs. Mabel Guething.

Mrs. Ella M. Farley has been visiting relatives in Salem, Mass.

Dustin Wright visited at David J. Wright's last week.

John L. Wood's house is being painted, the work being done by William T. MacMaster and assistant.

Miss Minnie Bancroft returned this week from a week's visit in Boston.

Miss Lizzie Holden, of Nashua, N. H., spent the week-end at the home of Truman Hunt, who has been quite ill for several weeks. It is still very poorly at this writing.

Miss Trow, of Nashua, spent last week-end at Charles A. Hale's and attended the W. E. C. entertainment.

Henry Hale, of Boston, was in town for the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fields and Miss Lily Loveloy drove to Amherst on Tuesday evening to attend a minstrel on Monday in Clarke's woods on the Nashua road. Several Hollis men gave their assistance.

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New Advertisements. South Brookline, N. H., April 16, 1913.

To the Public Service Commission of New Hampshire, Concord, New Hampshire.

Gentlemen:—Your petitioner, Orville D. Fessenden, of Brookline, New Hampshire, respectfully represents that he is desirous of constructing a plant, erecting poles, stringing wires, and engaging in the business of supplying electricity for lights in the town of Brookline, New Hampshire; that there is no other public utility engaged in the business of supplying electricity for any purpose in said Brookline, so far as the petitioner knows; that there are many persons desirous of buying electricity for lights in said Brookline, and that said town is desirous of purchasing electricity for the purpose of lighting its streets.

Your petitioner also represents that on the twenty-ninth day of March, 1913, the Selectmen of said Town of Brookline granted him the right to erect poles and maintain wires for the purpose of lighting streets and houses; and further represents that the public good requires the erection of said lines and the engaging in said business of supplying electricity for lights in said town of Brookline.

WHEREFORE, your petitioner prays that the Public Service Commission of New Hampshire will grant the necessary permission and approval to do business in said town of Brookline as herein petitioned for.

Respectfully yours, ORVILLE D. FESSENDEN.

(D-137) STATE OF NEW HAMPSHIRE Public Service Commission

Upon the foregoing petition, filed April 18, 1913, it is

ORDERED, that a hearing thereon be held before said Public Service Commission at its office in Concord in said State at eleven o'clock in the forenoon on the ninth day of May, 1913, and it is

FURTHER ORDERED, that said petitioner notify all persons desiring to be heard to appear at said hearing, when and where they may be heard upon the question whether the prayer of said petition may be granted consistently with the public good, by causing an attested copy of said petition and this order thereon to be printed in the Brookline Beacon, a newspaper published in Brookline, in said State, not less than twice, the last publication to be not later than May 3, 1913.

By order of the Public Service Commission this twenty-second day of April, 1913.

JOHN E. BENTON, Clerk. A true copy of petition and order thereon. Attest: 2133 JOHN E. BENTON, Clerk.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed administrator with the will annexed of the estate of MARY J. HASTINGS, late of Shirley, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bonds, as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

THOMAS L. HAZEN, Adm. Shirley, Mass., April 17, 1913. 3132

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All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are required to exhibit the same, and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to

GEORGE J. BURNS, Executor. Ayer, Mass., February 11, 1913. 3132

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Monday, the Nineteenth Day of May, 1913.

at four o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely, two certain parcels of land bounded and described as follows:

The first being a certain piece or parcel of land with the buildings thereon situate on the Easterly side of Hollis Street in the Easterly part of Pepperell, containing sixty (60) acres more or less and bounded as follows, viz:

Beginning at the Southwesterly corner of the premises at a stone bound on said Hollis Street; thence North by said Street to a brook at land now or late of Sarah A. Blake; thence Easterly by said brook about twenty-six (26) rods; thence Northerly by land now or late of said Blake and others about one hundred (100) rods to land now or late of George L. Robbins; thence by said Robbins land Easterly thirty-nine (39) rods; thence Northerly thirty-five and one-half (35 1/2) rods; thence Easterly nineteen (19) rods to a stone bound; thence Southerly by land now or formerly of Everett E. Tarbell about one hundred and thirty-eight (138) rods to a stone bound; thence Westerly by land now or late of said Tarbell fifty-two (52) rods; thence Southerly twenty (20) feet; thence Westerly about six (6) rods to the point of beginning.

The second being a certain tract or parcel of land situated on the Easterly side of the road called Hollis Street in said Pepperell, containing forty-eight (48) acres more or less, bounded as follows, viz:

Beginning at a stone bound at the Northwest corner at land now or late of Horace Robbins; thence South 77 1/2 degrees East five hundred and sixty-six (566) feet to a stone bound by said Robbins land; thence South 77 1/2 degrees East one hundred and sixty (160) feet to a stone bound by land now or late of Walter Pierce; thence South 77 1/2 degrees East to a stone bound; thence South 85 1/2 degrees West four hundred and ninety-four (494) feet to a stone bound; thence South 6 1/2 degrees West eleven hundred and thirty (1130) feet to a stone bound; thence South 69 degrees West two hundred and eighty-two (282) feet to a stone bound; thence South 27 degrees East three hundred (300) feet to a stone bound; the last four courses by land now or late of E. E. Tarbell; thence South 58 1/2 degrees West six hundred and sixty (660) feet to a stone bound; thence South 87 degrees West three hundred and seven (307) feet to a stone bound; the last two courses by land now or late of Henry Parker; thence North 3 degrees West two hundred and seventy (270) feet to a stone bound; thence South 87 1/2 degrees West one hundred and forty-nine (149) feet to a stone bound on the East side of Hollis Street by land now or late of Dr. F. W. Lovejoy and others; thence North 11 1/2 degrees West one hundred and two (102) feet to a stone bound by said Hollis Street; thence North 87 degrees East ninety-eight (98) feet to a stone bound; thence North twenty (20) feet to a stone bound; thence North 89 degrees East eight hundred and fifty-eight and one-half (858 1/2) feet to a stone bound; thence North 22 degrees East twenty-two hundred and seventy-five (2275) feet to the bound first mentioned; the last four courses by land late of Charles A. Dennen. Excepting and reserving to said E. E. Tarbell the right of way continued across said premises to what is known as the "Shedd Wood Lot."

Said premises will be sold subject to a mortgage on the first of said lots, and to any taxes or other incumbrances on either of said lots. Other terms at time and place of sale.

CLARENCE STICKNEY, Mortgagee. 3133 Townsend, Mass., April 21, 1913.

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PEPPERELL.

Current Events.

Mrs. E. E. Handley entertained her nephew, Harold Stevens, of Salem, and Miss Beatrice Russell, of Danvers, over the holiday and Sunday.

Many friends of Mrs. Jennie L. Williams will be sorry to learn that she has been confined to her room at her home in Brooklyn, N. Y., for the past three months. The attendance of a physician and two trained nurses is required. Her niece, Mrs. Marion E. Boite of Chicago, is also with her. All will sympathize most earnestly with Mrs. Williams in her suffering and will be glad when her health permits to welcome her to her summer home on Oak hill.

A concert will be given under the auspices of the Peppereil Woman's club in Prescott hall on Monday evening, May 19. It will consist of selections by a trio, composed of a violin, cello and piano. The cello player will be Stanley Tower, formerly of this town. There will also be a reader from the Dorothy Dix institution of Boston. The program and further details will be given later.

Mr. and Mrs. L. G. Robbins entertained their nephew, Arthur Robbins of Fitchburg and Miss Merrill of Leominster on April 19.

Miss Margaret Burns was at the home of her parents on Pleasant street over the holiday. She was accompanied by her cousin, Mrs. Kelley of Cambridge.

Charles Bemis recently spent a few days at his home on River street, returning to Cochituate on Wednesday.

Miss Althea Blake and her grandmother, Mrs. George Morrill, recently returned from Maitland, Florida, where they spent the winter.

Frank Conant recently launched a new power boat on the Nashua river. It is reported to be one of the submarine type.

Mrs. Louisa Maultmann, who has been acting as housekeeper for Chas. Jewett, has discontinued her work there and is staying at H. N. Tower's on High street.

Mrs. Forrest Winch is visiting relatives at Providence, R. I.

Rev. W. Drawbridge was one of the speakers last week on Wednesday at the Middlesex union meeting held in Fitchburg. His subject was the need of fellowship in the churches.

Miss Mary P. Shattuck has been elected a member of the temperance committee to fill a vacancy caused by a death. Delegates were chosen to the triennial national convention to be held at Kansas City, Mo., in October.

Misses Alice and Harriet Chinn of Boston and Miss Maudie Chinn of Merrimack, N. H., spent the week ending April 19, with their parents on Oak hill.

Mrs. Fred Robbins and Mrs. Jennie Hazen of Fitchburg were in town on Tuesday to attend the services for the late W. C. Harriman.

Herbert A. Harriman of Gardner, Me., came on Monday to attend the funeral of his brother, W. C. Harriman, on Tuesday.

The contract for a large order for linoleum carpeting for the Good Will institute at Nashua, N. H., has recently been awarded to J. A. Saunders of Saunders' corner store. He is also supplying the furnishings for other parities in Nashua, N. H.

Miss Lols Patterson of South Merrimack, N. H., was the guest of her sister, Mrs. A. H. Harris, over the holiday and Sunday.

Roy Card was operated upon successfully for adenoids and enlarged tonsils by Drs. Lovejoy and Heald on Tuesday, the patient getting along nicely after the operation.

Miss Helen Robbins will close her dancing lessons on May 5 by an invitation dance in I. O. F. hall.

Mrs. Bessie Allen entertained Miss Ruth Whiting of Waverly over the holiday and Sunday at her home on Elm street.

Mrs. George W. Pierce went to Somerville Wednesday to visit her daughter and granddaughter.

Patrick Malley of this town and Miss Clara Parker of West Groton were united in marriage on Sunday, April 20, at St. Joseph's parsonage. They will reside at West Groton.

Mrs. E. A. Comery of Concord Junction is spending a few days at her former home on Elm street.

The body of Leonard Farrell, son of Mr. and Mrs. John Farrell, who formerly resided in town, was brought here from Cochituate last Saturday afternoon for burial in their family lot in Woodlawn cemetery. He was eleven years of age and died of diabetes. Rev. E. R. Stratton gave the committal service at the grave.

Quite a number of visitors were in town over April 19 and Sunday. Among these were Leonard Lynch and wife from Fitchburg at the home of William Rouse, River street; Mrs. Walter Widener and daughter Ruth of Worcester at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Hackett, Prospect street; the Misses Mollie Flynn and Margaret Malley of Waverly at Timothy Malley's, Leighton street; Miss Anna Mae Shaw and Francis Martin of Worcester at Geo. Shaw's, Pleasant street; and Misses Annie and Elizabeth Garvey of Boston at the home of their parents, Prospect street.

Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Blood of Gardner have been in town this week, the guests of Mrs. Arthur Bartlett.

Chalmers Marshall and wife visited Mr. and Mrs. John Marshall over the holiday and Sunday, returning to their home at Brockton on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Carron, who have been living on the Page place throughout the winter, have moved into a tenement on Cottage street. Their places will be taken on the Page farm by Mr. and Mrs. James Christian of Townsend Harbor. It is understood that Mr. Greenhalge intends building a small farm house for his help this spring and will also build an addition to the barn.

Ninety-fourth Anniversary.

Members of Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., to the number of fifty or more gathered at their hall last Saturday morning, April 19, and marched to the station to take the nine o'clock train for Worcester to participate in the ninety-fourth anniversary of Odd-fellowship. The Sons of Veterans drum corps of Nashua headed the column and accompanied them. They all speak in terms of praise of the reception given them by brother Odd-fellows as well as the commendation given them by the Mayor of the city in his address when he commented on them upon their loyalty to the order which made such a gathering, one of the largest ever witnessed in that city, possible.

There were more than five thousand Odd-fellows in line when the parade began with sixty-five or more bands and drum corps, the whole procession extending a mile and a quarter. There were sixty-eight candidates who took the first degree at the exercises in the afternoon. The members of this lodge returned home on the regular evening train at eight o'clock.

Death.

Walter C. Harriman passed away at his home on Pleasant street on Saturday, April 19, after an illness of two years of heart trouble, aged fifty-seven years. He was born in Gardner, Me., in 1855, coming to this town in 1884 and entering the employ of the Fairchild Paper Company. He afterward worked for Leighton Bros., in the cutting-room of that shoe factory, and finally went into the fish business in the market at the corner of Cross and Main streets. Upon selling out this business he entered the employ of his brother-in-law, James Dunn, as teamster, which occupation he continued until his health failed him.

His wife was married to Miss Emma Page, of this town, in 1859, and Archie was the result of this union. She passed away in 1883, and his second marriage, to Miss Emily Davis, of Cushing, Me., took place in 1887. From this marriage there were two daughters—Alice, who died in 1892, and Helen M., now twelve years of age.

He was a member of Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., and a charter member of Acacia Rebekah lodge.

Besides his widow, a son, Archie Harriman, of Danvers, and daughter, Helen M., he leaves two sisters—Mrs. Ida Goff, of this town, and Mrs. Bertha Chadwick, of Hillsboro, N. H.; also, four brothers—George A., Edward L., Charles W., and Herbert A., all of Gardner, Me.

Services were held at the Unitarian church on Tuesday afternoon at two o'clock. Rev. Dudley R. Child officiating. The members of Beacon lodge attended in a body, and the bearers were W. H. Drury, L. G. Robbins, D. E. Weston and J. N. Andrews—were from that order. The Odd Fellow service was held at the grave. Rev. R. W. Drawbridge acting in place of the regular chaplain of the order. Interment was in Watson cemetery.

Mr. and Mrs. Archie Harriman and three children from Danvers, and many other relatives from out-of-town attended the funeral.

Mr. Harriman was noted for his kind-heartedness, and no one who had trouble was known to have been turned away without sympathy and help.

News Items.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Blood, of Gardner, and William Atkinson, of Middleboro, came to town on Tuesday to attend the funeral of Walter Harriman.

Silas Nokes was out Monday morning with a gang of men and ten horses working on Canal street.

Death.

Winslow S. Parker passed away at his home on Hollis street on April 16, having lived in Pepperell for twenty-six years, and noted many changes in the town. He was born on October 3, 1845, in Dunstable, and as a young man lived in Waltham, where he met his wife, whose maiden name was Miss Addie B. Hall, and whom he married on May 1, 1869. Mr. Parker carried on the milk business, living at Short Falls, and driving into Concord, N. H., while in New Hampshire, he and his wife became charter members of the McClary grange, and when he moved to Pepperell became identified with Prescott grange and the old Union grange, and was a charter member of Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange.

Mr. Parker was always interested in the farming elements and was connected with the Farmers' club. He was an active worker in all affairs of the town, and to advance agriculture and believed it was the most honorable calling of mankind.

He had five children—Arthur, who passed away sixteen years ago; Fred, Frank, and Lillian, who died twenty-five years ago, and one daughter, Mrs. S. Muelhull, of Lunenburg.

The funeral was held on Tuesday last Saturday afternoon at his late home, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge officiating. There were several handsome set pieces and sprays. Many Patrons came from out-of-town to attend the service.

Mr. Parker is survived by a widow, two sons, one daughter and six grandchildren. Interment was in the family lot in the old cemetery.

D. A. R.

On April 19, Prudence Wright chapter held an executive board and chapter meeting at the chapter house. Mrs. Elizabeth B. Heald presided at the board meeting and Mrs. C. D. D. Dunbar presided at the chapter meeting. The absence of the regent, who is in Washington, D. C., with Mrs. Henry Tarbell and Mrs. Jessie Marshall, of Somerville. Mrs. Elmer Warren Lewis, of Cohasset, an honorary member of the chapter, was present and a good number of members. Greetings were sent the regent and state regent. A loyal greeting was extended to the newly-elected president general, Mrs. William Cumming Story, of New York. A pleasing program was arranged by the lecturer. Refreshments were served and a social time was enjoyed.

The following delegates and alternates were elected for the Massachusetts spring conference: Miss A. S. Merrill, Mrs. F. F. Graham, Mrs. R. H. Blood, regent, delegates; Mrs. Appleton, Mrs. Bessie Allen, Mrs. Pauli, Miss Anna Sarteile, Mrs. F. Bancroft, Mrs. E. M. Weston.

Church Notes.

On Sunday morning at 10.45, the first service of the Federation of Churches will be held in the Unitarian church. The Methodist and Congregational churches joining. At 11.15 the service of communion will be conducted by the pastors of the churches. All persons are invited to participate in these services in true Christian fellowship. From 10.45 to 11.15, a special service will be provided at Railroad square and points on Main street, returning after twelve o'clock. Tickets for each round trip. The Sunday school and Bible classes will be carried on as usual as their leaders can return. The church federation will meet on Tuesday evening at 7.30. Subject, "The penalty of folly." Regular meeting of Forward club on Friday evening in the vestry.

At the Methodist church, Sunday school will be held at 12.30. Instead of the usual hour. On account of this change the usual morning service will be held at 10.45. The regular service will be held at seven o'clock, when there will be special music and preaching upon the subject, "God is spirit." The bright hour of the Epworth league will be held at six o'clock. Subject, "The Italian in America." Leader, Rev. P. S. Sturges. The Christian uplift and worship services will be held on Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The study hour for Sunday school teachers and workers will be held on Wednesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The business meeting of the Epworth league will be held on Friday, May 2. There will be a business meeting, followed by a social hour.

Center.

A. J. Woodward has returned to his home on Park street after having been away this winter.

On last Monday evening there was a social dance at the Oak Hill hall, many attending from the Center Village.

William Jewett is again back at work in the Peppereil cemetery in the employ of the Peppereil Cemetery association.

Edgar Frost, of Sheffield street, is at present working in the office of the Metropolitan Electric Co.

In the sale of the Standard Single Service Company, the town of Peppereil loses one of its industries that had a very bright future, as the machines were running in fine order and many large orders were in. The whole of the business and machinery has been moved to Connecticut, where the business is to be carried on in the future.

The fire department was called out on last Sunday for a small fire in the rear of a house on Leighton street, but the fire was extinguished by Warren Blood and some others before the arrival of the chemical.

Master Lucius Peck, of Townsend street, has been visiting friends in Needham during this week's vacation. Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Pauli have been visiting this week in Taunton at the home of Mr. Pauli's father.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Archambault and family, who are living on the Plains at the corner of Heald and Sheffield streets, have removed the past week to Fitchburg, to their former home on a farm.

Mr. and Mrs. William Stuart, of Townsend Harbor formerly of Peppereil, have moved back to town again and are living in the house of Mrs. S. E. Bancroft on Townsend street.

George Stewart, of Oak Hill, is at present working at the farm of Harry Hobart, Oak Hill street, filling the vacancy made by Joseph Mahony, who has gone to the state sanitarium to work in Middleboro.

Mrs. Nancy Merrill and Miss Merrill are soon to spend their winter with Mr. and Mrs. Elbert Williams, of Park street.

On Friday evening of last week the fire department was called out for a brush fire in the rear of the land of Raymond Dewart on Main street. On account of the heavy wind there might have been much damage done if this fire had not been put out quickly, as sparks were flying directly toward the high school building.

The Ladies' Social Circle of the Unitarian church held a spring-time supper in Central hall on April 24. The supper was served at 6.30, and was followed by a musical program, and also the two dramatic sketches were presented "The truth about Susan," and "What happened," by local talent. The musical program was enjoyed by many, the music for the evening being supplied by Blake's orchestra.

On Friday evening, May 2, the Peppereil Military band will hold a May dance in Tarbell's Opera house for the benefit of the band that has been formed recently, and it is hoped that a large gathering will be in attendance. The music is to be supplied by the Peppereil Musical club orchestra of eight pieces.

Mr. Bartlett has been in town the past few weeks visiting his son, Arthur Bartlett, of Main street.

The schools that have been closed for the past week will again on Monday resume their regular sessions.

Miss Edyth Day, of Hudson, has again come back to the home of A. J. Woodward, of Park street, after

spending the winter at home on account of Mr. and Mrs. Woodward's absence in the south.

William Stuart is at present working on the Page farm, having moved back to town to take the position.

William Taylor, of Heald street, who has been ill some time, is seen about again.

HOLLIS, N. H.

Current Events.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Proctor, of Roxbury, Mass., were at their summer home here this week.

Rodney Hardy, wife and friends, from Arlington, Mass., spent Sunday at their bungalow. Love Lane.

The schools did not keep on Thursday and Friday—Thursday being Fast day in New Hampshire, and on Friday a teachers' meeting was held.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Blair, of Boston, spent last Saturday at Hayden Brothers.

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Stimpson have been at home recently.

A woodlot on the east side of Rocky pond has recently been purchased by town parties and after cleaning out underbrush and making other improvements it is to be held as a forest reserve.

The dam at Hayden Brothers' mill sprung a leak on Monday. Daniel Hayden was out-of-town at the time and the men in the neighborhood had to work very rapidly drawing sand, etc., to keep it from doing any greater damage. The drain pipe was put under the dam forty-eight years ago—that being before the dam was built—and it is twenty-two feet below the top of the dam. This will necessitate a great deal of digging and also expense to put in a new pipe. A temporary dam has been built until the other one can be refixed.

Miss Minnie Bancroft returned from Boston on Wednesday evening after spending a week there.

Lillian Lovejoy is learning to be a telephone operator.

There are many improvements which are needed and which would add to the beauty of our town, and for which there is no special appropriation. In other towns which we might mention many similar things are being done to improve the outskirts as well as the village, thus showing to travellers through our town that we are interested in the beauty of our whole town.

Mrs. William W. Pierce was in Concord on Wednesday visiting relatives.

Those who attended the G. A. R. and W. R. C. department convention in Concord on Wednesday from this town were Mr. and Mrs. Charles A. Hale, Mrs. Sarah Messer, Mrs. Bessie McEnnis and Miss Hattie Hayden. Mrs. Messer and Miss Hayden took in both days, Wednesday and Thursday, but the others returned on Wednesday evening.

TOWNSEND.

Center.

The high school baseball team were again victorious in their game with the Lawrence academy second team at Groton on Wednesday. The score being 7 to 5.

The body of James Eugene Laws, who died at Great Falls, Montana, last week, arrived here on Tuesday for burial. A gentleman who was coming this way, came on with the body and returned from Townsend the noon train on Wednesday. The funeral was held on Wednesday afternoon. Rev. S. P. Robertson officiating. The notice of Mr. Laws' death was given in last week's edition. This is the second sudden death in the family within a short time. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. Byron Laws and one of a large family.

T. E. Flarity, d. d., has had several granges to inspect lately, one of them being at Paxton this week.

The L. B. S. of the Congregational church announce a sale, supper and fair for Wednesday afternoon and evening, April 30. The sale will be at the afternoon, and there will be an apron, candy and ice cream table. The supper will be in charge of Mrs. George Clarke and Mrs. George Whitcomb, and the evening's entertainment in charge of Mrs. Emma Joselyn, with Harbor talent.

Miss Ellen Haynes received a bad fall on the sidewalk between Stearns' and the drug store this week. The fall was caused by tripping, and Miss Haynes, being an elderly woman, received quite a bad shaking up and was unable to get up. Mr. Weston and Miss Wells soon came along to her assistance and also Mr. Stearns, and she was helped home, and is now quite comfortable, although somewhat lame and sore.

The Monday club held its annual meeting at the home of Mrs. John Piper this week, and after the business was transacted, spent the afternoon in an enjoyable time. The same officers were elected throughout as those of last season. They are as follows: Gertrude Piper, pres.; Abbie A. Barber, v. p.; Angie H. Lang, sec.; treat, Mrs. Wallace and Thirza A. Fessenden, directors.

Rodney Lancy, of Worcester Polytechnic, is at home with a severely sprained ankle, as a result of sliding bases in a baseball practice. It is hoped that he will be able to play again.

There are around fifteen cases of measles in town at present, most of the cases being mild.

Harbor.

For proficiency in scholarship, Miss Mattie Brown, a member of the high school class to be graduated in June, has been awarded the first honor.

Charles Spaulding is filling the position of teamster at the leatherboard mill.

William Hill, who has been incapacitated by a severe cold, is again at his post of duty.

On Tuesday, Mrs. Minnie Knight went to Cambridge to witness the Harvard-Bowdoin baseball game.

We are pleased to learn that George Adams, of West Pepperell, who on account of ill health for the past few years has been unable to work, has so far recovered this spring as to be able not only to superintend his farm, but also to engage in the carrying on of the work. Mr. Adams has recently bought a fine pair of horses and is otherwise preparing to farm on a larger scale than usual.

The Ladies' Aid society held a special meeting on Wednesday at Mrs. Anson Spaulding's for the purpose of furthering the work preparatory to the annual bazaar at Harbor hall on May 15. Its next regular meeting will be with Mrs. C. Warner, on Thursday, May 1.

The Misses Hester and Maud Burdett went to New York on Thursday morning for a two-weeks' visit. During their absence Mrs. Weatherby will be a guest of Mrs. Burdett.

John Harvey, who has been confined to the house by a severe cold, is again able to be out.

The next meeting of the Townsend Harbor Social club will be held in Harbor hall on Friday evening, May 2.

Mr. and Mrs. Christian left the Harbor on Thursday to enter upon their new duties at the Page farm, Pepperell.

On Tuesday afternoon, Mrs. Cummings entertained the Ayer Ladies' club for Miss Burdett, who on account of ill health was unable to receive. Mrs. Gray, the lecturer, presented an interesting literary program, after which refreshments were served. Miss Fannie Adams, in acknowledgment of her appreciation of the observance of her birthday, gave a beautiful booklet done in ivory white and old rose, and containing original verses to each member of the club.

SHIRLEY.

News Items.

Mrs. Myra Ely and Miss Estelle E. Ely have returned home from a pleasant visit with Miss Edna Ely, of Burlington, N. J.

Misses Emma and Isabel Smith, and Master Robert Smith, of South Boston, have returned to their home after a visit with Mr. and Mrs. John T. Smith.

Nelson Bodah, who has been totally blind in the left eye for the past two or three months from the effects of a cataract, had it removed on Sunday by Dr. Greenwood, of Boston, a noted eye specialist, assisted by Dr. T. E. Lilly. The cataract was the result of an injury received six years ago by being struck by a chip while chopping wood.

Clayton Wells, who has been at home for the past two weeks, has returned to his studies at the University of Maine.

Joseph H. McClellan and Miss Nellie Gardner spent the first of the week in Watertown.

Miss Emma Bridges, of Boston, has returned home after a visit of a few days with Miss Rena A. Churchill.

John E. Beach, electrician at the Industrial school, met with a painful accident on last Saturday, when he came near losing the sight of his left eye. He was struck by a piece of putty thrown by a friend. Mr. Beach lost the sight of his right eye some years ago. The blow caused a hemorrhage, and Dr. Lilly, the attending physician, hopes to save the left eye, the loss of which would mean total blindness to Mr. Beach.

The Ladies' Circle of the Congregational church will hold its regular meeting on Wednesday afternoon, April 30, at three o'clock in the ladies' parlor at the church.

The Industrial school baseball team played the Leominster high school team on Wednesday afternoon on the school grounds. Leominster high won the game by a score of 9 to 3.

Miss Blanche Goddard, of Revere, died at the home of her aunt in New York city, Mrs. Helen Wagner, on Wednesday. Miss Goddard, who was eighteen years of age, has spent her summers at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knowles for some years past, and is well-known in town. She left last September for the home of her aunt, Mrs. Wagner, with a view to giving her an education. A few weeks ago symptoms of heart trouble developed and gradually grew worse until the end came on Wednesday. The remains were brought to her home in Revere on Thursday and the funeral was held on Friday from her home in Revere.

Death.

Mrs. Sarah Frances McClellan passed away at her home on the Ayer road on Monday afternoon at about 10 o'clock from the effects of cancer of the stomach, after an illness covering a period of six months. While the nature of the disease was diagnosed as incurable, the end came quite unexpected, giving her family and friends a shock. Mrs. McClellan was operated upon last November at the Eliot hospital in Boston by the eminent surgeon, Dr. Mixter, who discovered her case to be a hopeless one, and without being informed of this fact she was brought to her home again to await the final summons.

Mrs. McClellan exhibited remarkable patience and forbearance during her illness, exemplifying the spirit of love and kindness which was so pronounced all through her life, and when a few weeks ago her condition became such as to confine her to her room, Dr. Hopkins, the attending physician, very tactfully informed her of her true condition, she received the news calmly and without a tremor, and quietly requested that this fact be kept from the members of her family.

During her illness, Mrs. McClellan had been cared for by her daughter, Mrs. George H. B. Clark, and a nurse, Miss Durgan, of Ayer, who have catered to her comfort in every conceivable manner. The fact that Mrs. McClellan was conscious up to within a few minutes of her death was a source of comfort to her family.

Mrs. Sarah F. McClellan was fifty-seven years of age, being born in Shirley at the Edwin R. White house at Woodsville on September 1, 1855, and has resided here ever since, except for a residence of several years in Concord, and a couple of years in Oakdale, and was united in marriage thirty-eight years ago to William R. McClellan, at the Chapman place, so-called, on Front street, Rev. Seth Chandler performing the ceremony. Her husband, William R. McClellan, who was a veteran of the civil war, with a splendid war record, died three years ago very suddenly.

Mrs. McClellan has been a life-long member of the Congregational church and for many years was actively identified with the church in all departments of its work, and was a valuable and esteemed member of the Ladies' Circle. Her life has been one long record of practical service, heroic sacrifice and love to her family and friends, a splendid type of a Christian woman who gave her life for the benefit of others, never complaining, but always ready to respond to the call of duty cheerfully and lovingly. She has passed on to her reward, but her unflinching devotion to duty will never be forgotten by all whose privilege it was to know her.

The near survivors are two daughters—Mrs. H. V. Martin, of Williams-town, and Mrs. George H. B. Clark, of Shirley; also, one brother, Charles Balcom, of Fitchburg, and two sisters, Mrs. Daniel Wetherbee and Miss Ida Balcom, of Ayer, and nine grandchildren who are Dorothy, Marion and Leonard Jubb, Ruth and Ralph Martin, Doris and Doris Murray and Frank Clark. One daughter, Mrs. Nellie F. Jubb died a few years ago.

The funeral was held on Thursday

afternoon with service in the Congregational church, Rev. Allen A. Bronsdon, of Millers Falls, former pastor of the church, officiating, and paid a sincere and worthy tribute to her life. A quartet composed of Edward F. Colburn, Mrs. Nellie W. Hubbard, J. Albert Dearden and Mrs. Bessie Collyer rendered very effectively "Wait and murmur not," and "Lead, kindly light."

The bearers were Charles Balcom, of Fitchburg, and Richard Pomfret, Frank P. Rugg and Joseph H. McClellan. The floral tributes were very choice. Burial was in the family lot in the Village cemetery.

Center.

The next meeting of Shirley grange, May 6, will be "Educational aid fund night." After a short business meeting a public entertainment will be given, followed by a social dance.

The T. K. D. club will hold a social dance in the hall on Saturday evening, April 26. Refreshments will be served.

Several members of the Shirley Branch Alliance attended the neighborhood meeting at Ayer on Thursday of last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Welcome Longley spent the week-end with Mr. Longley's mother, Mrs. Sara Longley.

Mrs. Frank J. Lawton, who is suffering from a broken hip, is reported to be getting along very nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. H. A. Bridgman and family have returned to their home in Brookline after spending a week at their summer home on Center road.

Ralph I. Evans, who has been very ill with rheumatism, is now able to be out again.

Mrs. W. H. Swartz, at Woodsville, who recently underwent a second operation for water on the right lung, is getting along as well as can be expected.

The Matrons' Aid society held a pleasant meeting on Tuesday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Henry Farrar at North Shirley.

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