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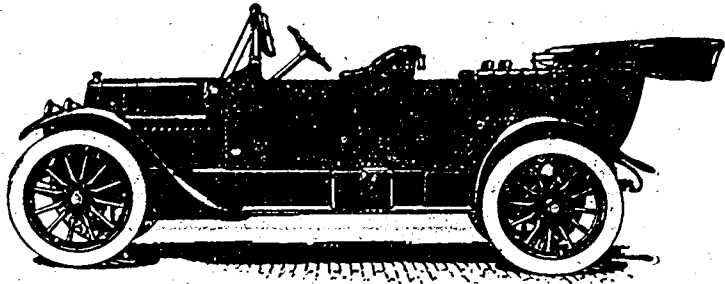
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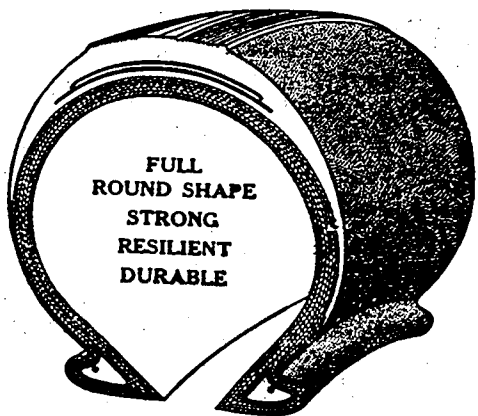
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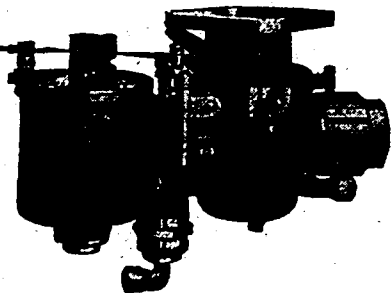
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HARVARD.

News Items.

Harvard grange will hold a special meeting on Tuesday evening at the town hall. All officers must be present, as business of importance is to be conducted. At the next regular meeting of this order, on Tuesday evening, May 20, the first and second degrees will be conferred on a large class of candidates. The men's second degree team of Bolton will do the work for that degree.

The Bromfield ball team went to Westford on last Saturday, playing a game with the high school team there. They defeated the Westford boys by a score of 16 to 1. On Wednesday afternoon Groton high played at the Bromfield grounds here, defeating the home team by a score of 10 to 4. The game was a hotly contested one, and the first one of the season in which the local team has been defeated. The Groton team outweighed the Bromfield boys by many pounds, but that the game was lost was largely due to throwing and fielding errors of the home team. On Saturday they play Lancaster high at Lancaster.

The evening's entertainment given by Mrs. Ida Moulton, reader and impersonator, under the auspices of

the Harvard grange, was well attended and a very substantial sum will be added to the grange educational aid fund from the local order here. Mrs. Moulton was interesting and pleased her audience with her selections and renditions.

Mr. and Mrs. Leon E. Thompson, formerly employed at the summer home of D. A. Lucey, have gone to their home at Portland, Me.

Thomas F. Dolan has opened his summer home on Oak hill for the coming season.

Edgar W. Cottle has opened his house here at the Crossways for the summer months.

Miss Mary Mead, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Mead, of Shaboken district, after quite a long illness, died at her home on Monday, May 5, of tuberculosis—a sad ending of a bright young life, an afflicting sorrow to her family, and a loss to the entire community. She was a very bright, pleasant girl, with the promise of an interesting future, which makes her going particularly sad. The townspeople join with the afflicted family in their mourning and sadness. Funeral services were held from St. Mary's church at Ayer, and burial was at the church cemetery.

The May dance party given by Miss

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Hartshorn was a very pretty party and well attended. The May pole winding by the four young couples was very well done. The young people who took part were Masters Stanley Turner, Herbert Morse, Atwood Dickson and John King, with the Misses Benedict, Priest, Ryan and King. Misses Flora Oakes, Kathryn Jones, Bernice Sears and Alice Chadwick acted as ushers for the party. Music was given by the Superba orchestra.

Prof. A. F. Leonard shipped one of his thoroughbred beagle pups to Woodstock, Vt. this week. The purchaser was Alva Hazard, formerly one of Harvard's boys, now married and settled in Vermont.

Raymond H. Lane, of Everett, and Miss Olive H. Arnold, of Duxbury, were united in marriage on last Thursday at the Congregational parsonage by Rev. Henry B. Mason. The bride and groom, who were well-known to Mr. Mason, the former having united with the church in Duxbury while he was pastor there, came to Harvard by automobile with two friends. Other relatives arrived at Ayer by train and were transported to Harvard by E. O. Proctor in two of his cars. In returning to Ayer, the trip was made by way of Prospect hill, and the whole party, only one of whom had ever seen the town before, were charmed by the beauties of the place. They have promised to boom it as a new Gretna Green.

The Boy Scouts will be interested to know that George F. Pollard has shown his sympathy with the organization by contributing fifteen dollars for the benefit of the Harvard troop. This comes at just the right time and can be used to great advantage in inaugurating active work which has been going slowly because of lack of financial backing.

Over forty women were present at the first meeting concerning the organization of a woman's club held last week Friday at the Hapgood Memorial rooms. Mrs. A. H. Bigelow was chairman of the meeting. Mrs. H. H. Gale, Mrs. H. D. Stone and Miss S. A. Davis were chosen as a nominating committee to select officers for the new club and Mrs. N. A. Dill, Mrs. L. H. Putnam, Mrs. W. S. Watson, and Mrs. L. N. Morse as a committee to draw up a constitution; both committees to report at the next meeting which will be held soon.

Decoration day is near at hand. Let Murry, Ayer, fix and press up your suit.

Congregational Notes.

The Ladies' Benevolent society will hold its next regular meeting on Tuesday afternoon, May 13, at 2.30 o'clock in the church parlors.

The new china recently purchased by the Ladies' Benevolent society was used for the first time in connection with the Missionary meeting held at the church on Tuesday last. It added very much to the attractiveness of the dining room at the luncheon hour and is regarded as very satisfactory.

The communion service, which was unavoidably omitted last week, will be observed on Sunday morning, May 11. Prior to this service the pastor will preach a short sermon, of which the theme will be, "The distinction between mere living and real life."

The C. E. prayer meeting on Sunday evening will be under the general direction of Miss L. W. Dyar, who will plan the program and have the responsibility of providing a leader. The subject of this meeting will be, "Love not the world."

The next special collection under the apportionment plan of benevolence will be taken on Sunday morning, May 11, for the benefit of the Congregational Sunday school and Publishing society.

Sull River.

Miss Mary E. Cumming and her aunt, Mrs. Eliza Grassie, have moved from the Houghton farm to Leominster, where they will make their home.

Fiske Warren has bought the Frank Sprague farm, thus making a large addition to his land holdings in Harvard.

W. E. Chapman has finished drilling a well for Miss Clara Sears at her Prospect hill house, drilling over 250 feet in hard rock before a plentiful supply of water was reached, and Mr. Chapman has started drilling a well for A. A. Hutcherson at his new home on the Prospect hill road.

On Tuesday, the painting crew of the Boston and Maine railroad arrived here and before night had painted the station and crossing house outside, and the waiting-room and office inside, making a much needed improvement.

Mrs. Viles has a sister visiting with her.

Mrs. L. H. Morse, Mrs. A. H. Keyes and Mrs. Jennie Willard attended the Woman's Missionary meeting at the Harvard Congregational church on Tuesday.

Miss Edna Flanders and Miss Esther Stone have been enjoying a trip to New York.

Miss Laura A. Brown, of West Acton, was the guest of her sister, Mrs. Jennie Willard, over Sunday.

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WESTFORD.

Center. Otis W. Day has rented the farm owned by William Graves adjoining the Day farm, and is busy operating the same.

Elinor Colburn, who is sick with scarlet fever, has also suffered with serious complications, but is now reported as feeling more comfortably.

Miss Alice J. Bunce, who conducted the housewife's course so successfully last week under the auspices of the Tadmuck club, has been visiting former friends in town, among them Mrs. Hammett Wright, of Graniteville, with whom Miss Bunce boarded while teaching school here a few years ago.

May movings this last week have been the Fred H. Shoreys, who have lived in the Frank Fletcher house, so-called, for the last two years, and have moved to Danvers where Mr. Shorey has work waiting for him. Their household goods were taken over the road in two large auto trucks. Mrs. Gilmer Stone has moved this week from where she has been living at the Center, to the Nashobah district, into what was formerly the schoolhouse, and converted into a dwelling house some years ago.

Mrs. Elliot F. Humiston came up from West Chelmsford to attend the Tadmuck club social on Tuesday evening, and was the special guest of Mr. and Mrs. Wallace, remaining at the parsonage until the following day.

Four new telephones have been installed this last week in the following homes: Miss L. B. Atwood, 43-4; Mrs. Helen K. Frost, 43-3; Mrs. Abbie T. Hamlin, 51-3, and C. W. Parker, 49-2.

Rev. Louis H. Buckshorn, who recently bought the piece of land on Cummings hill, known as the Fishers peach orchard, is having set out between four and five hundred apple trees. The work has been in charge of Warren Carlin, and the modern use of dynamite has been employed in the various operations of getting the land ready for the young trees.

Capt. Sherman H. Fletcher has had placed in the library, recent congressional records and tariff debates, doings of the senate and house of representatives and full of timely interest to the thoughtful reader.

The postponed communion service at the Congregational church will take place on Sunday morning at the close of the regular service, and several people will be admitted into membership.

Miss Jane Davis' Westford friends were much shocked to hear of her serious accident at Shirley last week. Westford is Miss Davis' native town, and she is a member of the Congregational church here, and since her removal from town has been a frequent visitor with former friends.

Rev. and Mrs. Lyman B. Weeks were special guests of Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Fletcher for the Tadmuck club gathering on Tuesday evening.

The ball game at Whitney park on last Saturday afternoon between Westford academy and Bromfield school boys, at Harvard, resulted in a victory of the latter.

Mr. and Mrs. Warren are busy establishing themselves in their new home, and in addition to many other improvements, have been having workmen busy this week improving the grounds about the house.

Tadmuck Club Social. The closing event in the Tadmuck club calendar for the season took place on Tuesday evening at the Congregational church. A larger part of the members were present with a chosen guest, which in many cases were the husbands of the members. A pretty decorative scheme of spring flowers and ferns had been carried out, and at the appointed hour of eight o'clock the president, Miss Loker, extended a most cordial welcome to all and well chosen words reviewed the season just closed, the most successful of the club has had in its eight years of being organized.

Mrs. Elsie Powers Corwin, of Lowell, entertained the gathering with a group of readings. This is the first time Mrs. Corwin has appeared before a Westford audience, and many were heard to express the hope that it might not be the last. Her charming and gracious personality and sympathetic and entertaining interpretation of her chosen selections were thoroughly enjoyed and appreciated.

The musical numbers of the program were by Miss Mildred Currier, soprano, of Lowell, and Clifford Shedd, of Littleton, baritone, with Mrs. James D. Christie as accompanist.

After the program, refreshments of ice cream and cake were served, and a pleasant social hour enjoyed.

About Town. The W. C. T. U. held their monthly meeting with Mrs. Blaney. Twenty-one members were present and one visitor. Arrangements were made for the spring convention of Middlesex county W. C. T. U., which will be held in the Congregational church, Westford, on Thursday, May 15, opening at ten o'clock in the morning. This is to be an institute as well as a convention. The state president, Mrs. Katherine Lott Stevenson, and the national president, Mrs. Stevens, and Miss Anderson Hughes, of New Zealand, with other noted speakers are to be present. The public is freely urged to attend this gathering in liberal numbers.

Batters are up for a new barn on the Melbourne Hutchins farm on the Concord road. The farm is now owned by Landford Parker, of the New England house, Boston.

The farm and personal property of Virgil C. Mitchell and Charles F. Tappin, at Minot's Corner, will be sold at auction on Thursday, May 15, at 1.30 o'clock.

The farm owned by William H. Decatur on the Littleton road, about half a mile east of Littleton Common, will be sold at auction on Tuesday, May 20 at ten o'clock.

Rev. L. H. Buckshorn, of Vineyard Haven, and a former minister of the First Parish, conducted the services on last Sunday. His old familiar

friends were glad to hear daily truth after the order of sound sense and plain every-day action.

Wallace Johnson is now and has been since ice cutting time unable to work. A recent consultation of a medical skill was inclined to pronounce it a spinal difficulty. Frank Johnson, the youngest boy, recently home from the Pacific coast, is taking charge of the output of ice.

David L. Greig, so long withdrawn by illness from his active and the management of farm life, seems now to be safely headed in the direction of normal health and is gaining reasonably rapid in his new tent surroundings.

Rev. Albert F. Newton, of Dunstable, has been engaged by the Westford Veterans' association to deliver the address on Memorial day. He is well and pleasantly known in Westford.

The next meeting of Westford Grange will be held on Thursday evening, May 15, and will be observed as "Patriots' night" in charge of Mrs. Josie Prescott. This is the meeting preceding Memorial day, and something along the line of peaceable warfare reminiscences is liable to find echo, expression in a hall of echoes.

Apple, pear, and plum trees and other fruit bearing trees in the Stony Brook Valley are loaded with fruit and caterpillar blossoms.

Amos Polley has planted twenty-five bushels of potatoes and expects to market them before the arrival of a free trade world which is advertised in Washington as sure to arrive on "This act will take effect upon its passage." The previous question has already been ordered and the effect has arrived before the goods.

Well Rendered.

The Fortnightly club got itself into a busy gear last week Friday evening after postponing, interference with other entertainment at the town hall. The Fortnightly club crowded a good entertainment and good audience into the humble smallness of the Wright schoolhouse on the Groton road and in literary sky rocket flashed forth the following: "A black diamond." In name it hasn't much flash, but as acted it has much of heat and lightning. Fred Blodgett, as Capt. Houston, was well equipped naturally with the real goods, and delivered them to an appreciative audience, and the same can be said of Edwin H. Gould, in the role of inclined to stut and faint. Miss Lillian Wright, as Emily, and Mrs. Helen Pitton as Miss Minnie, as an expert amateur on composing epigrams, were both gathering smiles from the audience for their speciality.

Mrs. Alice Hold, as Dr. Zinn; Charles Blodgett, as Claremont Goodell, and Mrs. Edwin Gould, as Fannie Makepeace, were all naturally well fitted cogs in the gear of the evening. Mrs. Harry Ingalls in the difficult role of Hulda, who had a great dislike for dudes, for whom she made things lively, also made some lively hits with the audience.

Independent of the play, there were readings by Frank Chandler, Mrs. Alice Lambert and Blanche Dudley. About one hundred were present, which is a close guess to the house capacity. In recapitulation it must be apparent that the Fortnightly club has got life in variety, song, recitation, dialogue and debate. It exists everywhere. All it takes is a club to strike it into sensibility.

Grange Entertainment.

The town hall was well filled on last week Thursday evening at the dramatic entertainment given under the auspices of Westford grange, the Lincoln grange dramatic club, who presented with much native wit and clear bright action "Far Haven." "When everybody says 'first rate,' there is no need of further endorsement. The nearby towns were represented. The Lincoln club and friends came by auto. Refreshments were furnished to the Lincoln club and friends, and ice cream by George E. Walter. Steel orchestra furnished a kind of fiddle music for all kinds of dances. The income tax from this dramatic and fiddle dance entertainment was given over to benefit the state educational fund. Thus, a good cause was boosted to greater efficiency by a lively acting foot movements.

Graniteville.

The new pastor of the M. E. church is Rev. Thomas C. Collier of the Boston university, formerly of the Denver university, formerly of the Denver university, formerly of the Denver university. He is an eloquent and forceful speaker and already has made a very good impression on the parishioners of the M. E. church.

Mrs. C. E. Dudgeon with her two children, Russell and Akatha, are now visiting with friends in Lincoln, N. H.

The members of Cameron circle, C. P. A., held a very enjoyable whist party in Healy's hall on Tuesday evening, the affair being largely attended. Dainty souvenirs were offered for prizes and during the evening refreshments were served.

Two teams from the Sargent school here played a hot game of baseball on "center's field" Saturday with the following result: Tigers 19, Youngsters 18. The Tigers now flushed with victory meet the fourth and fifth grade boys of the Frost school, Westford, next Saturday.

The members of the A. R. Choate hose company held their regular monthly meeting in their rooms on Monday night. Business of importance was transacted and during the evening the following officers were duly elected for the ensuing year: Healy, capt.; Alfred Prinn, 1st lieutenant; Edward Defoe, 2d lieutenant; J. Austin Healy, steward; H. J. Healy, secretary; James R. Payne, R. Hemen, Frank Healy, standing com. The company will have a practice drill on Tuesday evening at six o'clock, and at that time many of the hydrants throughout the village will be flushed out.

Mrs. George Nicklin, who with her four children have been visiting with Mrs. Nicklin's mother, Mrs. Charles E. Eaton, for the past few weeks, have recently returned to their home in Worcester.

Inseparable.

The C. M. A. C., a fast aggregation of ball tossers from Lowell, visited here on last Saturday afternoon and met with defeat at the hands of the Westford boys. The score was 7 to 4. Lowell boys started with a rush in the first inning, and with three hits and an error gained one run. Two hits and an error netted one more in the second, and by the help of more errors they annexed another in the fourth. Graniteville started things in the latter part of the fourth inning when by timely hitting and clever base running they tied the score. The Lowell boys scored again in the fifth and took the lead once more, but Graniteville came back strong in the sixth, when four safe drives, one a two-bagger by "Dick" Spinner, netted three runs. The locals added one more in the seventh, and the score stood 7 to 4 until the ninth, when the Lowell boys began to get busy.

W. Marcotte, the first man up, flied out to left. Salvas drew a base on error. C. M. A. C. followed with a hit and then a double steal was pulled off by Salvas and Marcotte. "Pete" Brule, a former Graniteville player, was then used as a pinch hitter in

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place of Pavette, and batted safely to left, scoring both runners. At this stage of the game, Condon was called on to pitch in place of J. Spinner. With one down, Condon was hit by a pitched ball and took first. Brule in the meantime had reached second on a short passed ball. Marchand grounded to Gray at first. Brule taking third on the play. Two were out, two on bases, and the Lowell boys were crying loudly for a hit to tie the score. Condon was cool, however, and although Pelletier was used at the bat instead of Barry, the best he could do was a grounder to Hughes who promptly threw him out at first, and the game was won by the home team. Graniteville was greatly handicapped in their game, owing to the fact that many of their men were playing out of their regular positions that is not conducive to good team work. The game was interesting, however, for both clubs were battling well and making many errors also, which kept the game in doubt until the last man was retired. Graniteville will play the south Park A. C. of Lowell, on the home grounds Saturday.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

B. C. Steele has an auto which he finds very convenient in going daily to his work in Sudbury.

Stephen D. Salmon, 3d, took a leading part in the play "Down in Maine," given by Acton people on last Tuesday evening at West Acton. This was probably his last appearance for the season in that line. Both Mr. and Mrs. Salmon are delightful entertainers and add greatly to our social gatherings.

Miss Alice Chandler, of Lancaster, with a party of friends, visited the library on last Saturday.

Mrs. Frank Davidson, who has spent the winter with her parents, returned to her home in Lincoln on Sunday.

Patrons of W. E. Whitcomb, on this route, miss the weekly appearance of Mr. Boutwell, who has served them so courteously for many years.

George Lovelace is getting about on crutches as the result of stepping on a rolling stone and severely spraining his ankle.

Howard Porter had his tonsils removed and has not been able to attend his school in Concord since the operation.

Supt. Brick and family spent the week at his summer home here while his schools in Maynard had a vacation.

The monthly church social on last week Thursday evening was in charge of Mrs. John Cobleigh. After a salad supper, a chance was given those present to show how well they could spell.

Fourteen from the grange went over to Littleton grange on Wednesday evening to enjoy the generous hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. Richard Barrow.

Mrs. Viets, Mrs. Walker, Mrs. Dodge and Mrs. Steele attended the meeting of the Woman's Missionary society at Harvard on Tuesday.

Mrs. John Cobleigh entertained as week-end guests Mr. and Mrs. John Withington and Mr. and Mrs. Edward Withington and family, of South Ashburnham; Earl Withington, of Ashburnham; Mrs. Abbie Smith and family, of Clinton; Mr. and Mrs. Daisy, of South Acton; Zenas Lovelace and Mr. Helmes, of Waltham.

Mabel Lawrence spent Sunday with friends in Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. David Dickson and Mrs. Lund of Lowell, were Sunday guests at Mrs. Payne's.

Mrs. Mary Pratt, of South Acton, is visiting her niece, Mrs. John Whitcomb.

Mrs. Ralph Whitcomb was the guest of Mrs. Percy Morton at Watertown last week.

Mrs. Dodge has returned to Bide-a-Wee cottage for the summer.

Mrs. Lewis Richardson spent the last of the week with friends in Hyde Park and Waltham. Mr. Richardson spent Sunday with her at Waltham.

Mrs. Frank Dodge returned to her home at Waverly this week after spending a month here with her parents.

Mrs. Albert Littlefield goes to Framingham today to celebrate her father's seventy-fifth birthday.

Can We Help You? As We Helped This Man. Herbert O. Russell is a farmer in North Hadley, Mass., who turned a threatened loss, not only to himself but to his neighbors, into a highly profitable business transaction by making judicious use of the telephone toll lines. He is the Mr. Blank of the following story which appeared in TELEPHONE TOPICS. We use his name by permission: A HADLEY PASTORAL. The fertile fields of old Hadley are especially adapted for raising tobacco and onions and especially onions, which are usually a very profitable crop. This year the crop was larger than ever before—bumper to the nth. Prices at once shrunk alarmingly until it came to be a grave question whether it was worth while to market the crop. Some farmers became discouraged and left the crop to rot in the fields. One gave the subject careful thought. While he was pondering the question his glance fell upon the telephone in his kitchen. Could that be the answer? The next day he called on Manager Proctor for information. He secured full particulars about our toll facilities, then went home and planned a sales campaign by telephone. Each evening the family carefully studied the directories and made up a list of wholesale commission dealers in the large cities. Early each morning Mr. Blank called them by telephone. Results were immediate and surprising. He made satisfactory terms in short order for the sale of his entire crop and before long he was shipping onions by the carload. After he disposed of his own crop, the commission merchants continued their demands for more onions, and Mr. Blank commenced buying his neighbors' crops which he sold at a good profit. As a result of his work he has sold twenty-one carloads of onions. It need not be added that he is extremely grateful for the resources of our telephone service. Are you, Mr. Farmer or Business Man, confronted with a distribution problem of any kind? Let us help you, if we can. Call your Local Manager and see what he can suggest. In Greater Boston telephone (free of charge) to Fort Hill 7600, the Contract Department.

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SHIRLEY

News Items. J. B. Nelson, instructor in carpentry at the Industrial School for Boys, while in the discharge of his duties, recently lost a part of three fingers of his left hand while working at a buzz planer.

Henry Goss, of Worcester, spent Sunday with Harry O. Bangs. Mr. and Mrs. George A. Stebbins are receiving the congratulations of their friends on the birth of a daughter, born Friday, May 2.

Mrs. Alfred Pelote is recovering nicely from the effects of a tumor removed last week at the Clinton hospital.

Miss Margreta S. Hastings, high school principal, entertained her father, William B. Hastings, of Brookfield, the first of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Oliver W. Balcom spent the first of the week at the home of their son, G. F. Balcom, of Baldwinville.

Miss Marion E. Fowle spent Saturday and Sunday with friends at Henniker, N. H.

Hiram S. Clark, of Ayer, observed his seventy-third birthday on last Sunday at the home of his son, George H. B. Clark, of this town. Out-of-town guests were Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Herson, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Herson and Miss Florence M. Herson. Mr. Clark was given a handsome Morris chair. Refreshments were served.

Mrs. Arthur Cox and Mrs. David Russell, of West Fitchburg, were visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Edmund B. Winterbottom on Tuesday.

Marjorie and Edward Wheeler spent Wednesday visiting their grandmother, Mrs. George W. Balch.

Edward M. Davis, of Lancaster road, attended the funeral of his mother last week in Boston.

Walter Desmond, of St. Anthonys college, Manchester, is confined in the college hospital with scarlet fever, a trained nurse being in attendance. Walter is the son of Mr. and Mrs. John Desmond, of the Shirley Inn.

Maxime Gallian and Miss Mary Hache were united in marriage on Monday morning at eight o'clock in mass in St. Anthony's church, Rev. J. H. Cote being the officiating clergyman.

Mrs. Francis Doucher, with daughter Laura, spent Wednesday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Morin at Fitchburg.

Mrs. Ralph Wheeler spent Wednesday visiting at Worcester.

Mrs. J. J. Donelson, of Worcester, in company with her daughter, Miss Helen Donelson, spent a few days the first of the week with her sisters, Mrs. Hattie Shearer and Mrs. Laura Ware.

Miss Mary Simpson, of Clinton, spent last Sunday at the home of her sister, Mrs. Dearden.

The C. E. society of the Congregational church held a social and business meeting in the church vestry on Monday evening. Reports were given and also a sum of money was voted to China missions. Refreshments were served and the evening pleasantly spent.

Henry W. and Frank C. Brockwell went this week Friday to the home of their father in Lancaster and assisted in the celebration of his eighty-sixth birthday.

Rev. Bruce W. Drotherton, of Cambridge, occupied the pulpit of the Congregational church on last Sunday morning, taking for his text, "I know in whom I have believed," and gave a very inspiring and well connected sermon. Mr. Drotherton is taking a post-graduate course at Harvard college. He was formerly a pastor of the Congregational church at North Conway, N. H., for a term of five years. His pleasing personality and educational abilities well fit him for pastoral duties.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Pomfret spent last Saturday and Sunday at the home of their son George in Waverley, and on Sunday afternoon Mrs. Richard Pomfret left Waverley for Washington, D. C., to pay an extended visit to her sister.

Mrs. P. J. Flynn, with daughter Margaret, of Allston, spent a few days the latter part of last week with Miss Alice Flynn, of this town.

Miss Regina Desmond, of Charlestown, is visiting her uncle and aunt, Mr. and Mrs. John Desmond, of the Shirley Inn.

The Waltham high school baseball team came to Shirley on last Saturday and defeated the Shirley A. A. by a score of 7 to 1.

Mr. and Mrs. Eddie Young, of Gardner, were visiting relatives in town over Sunday.

J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., will hold its regular meeting on Monday evening.

The Midgets of Fitchburg were defeated by the Industrial School boys on last Saturday afternoon by the score of 2 to 0.

An Ayer team came to Shirley on last Saturday afternoon and were defeated by the Shirley Juniors by the score of 2 to 2.

Earl C. Merriman has been confined to his home a few days this week with sickness.

matrons were Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen and Mrs. Edwin H. Conant, while the ushers were Sidney S. Horton, Earl C. Merriman and Elmer H. Allen. Music was furnished by Mr. and Mrs. L. J. Ladd, drum and piano.

The exhibition dances at the pupils commenced at eight o'clock, and lasted until ten, and were the special features of the evening. The May pole dance and new dances of a novel and unique character were introduced by the children, and the work of the junior classes was a revelation, frequent and prolonged encores demonstrating the approval and appreciation of the 250 or more spectators in attendance.

The department of all the children was highly complimented upon by everyone, and was a potent factor in proving that this class of amusement had been brought up to a high standard of excellence by the direction of Mrs. White. Dancing for all was in order at the close of the exhibition dances, a large number participating. The evening was spent in a most enjoyable manner and was one of the social events of the year. Many were present from Boston, Fitchburg, Loomister, Ayer and Harvard.

Funeral Reception. The Shirley fire department tendered a farewell reception to Dennis O'Neill, chief engineer of the fire department on last Saturday evening in the engine hall. Mr. O'Neill has resigned from the fire department after an active service covering a period of forty years, and during the past few years has served as chief.

The funeral was presented by the fire department with a very handsome gold watch, the presentation being made by Charles J. Stebbins, who very acceptably voiced the good will sentiments of the members of the company, and expressed their regrets at the loss of such a valuable and esteemed member.

Mr. O'Neill, who was taken by surprise, responded very appropriately, thanking the members for the gift, which he should always cherish, and also for the support that had been given him during the years of his official connection with the fire department, but felt a younger man should take his place.

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A Fine Address. There was a large audience at the Baptist church on last Sunday evening to listen to the address by Rev. Arthur S. Adams on mission work in South China. Mr. Adams is a brother of the pastor, Rev. Archibald G. Adams, and has been in South China for several years past in the employ of the American Baptist Board of Foreign Missions, and his work has been mostly among the Hakkas, about three days' journey from the coast.

Mr. Adams interested his audience with his own habits, customs and superstitions of the Hakkas, and exhibited some photographs and specimens of their handiwork, such as rings, hat pins, medals, etc., which were very fine specimens of artistic work. The photographs were taken by Mr. Adams showing the Hakkas in their various occupations and mode of living, and gave the audience a glimpse into their life in a practical way.

It was an excellent address and inspired the audience to make greater efforts by prayer and material aid for the christianizing of the Chinese nation, and especially the Hakkas in South China.

Mr. Adams will return to China again in the fall of the year to take up his life work which has been productive of great results. Both Arthur and Archibald Adams were entertaining to the home of Mr. and Mrs. David Goozee.

Annual Meeting. The annual business meeting of the Shirley fire department was held in the engine hall on Monday evening. The following officers were elected for the ensuing year: Willard G. White, chief; Thomas J. Gately and Charles J. Stebbins, board of engineers; Joseph Murphy, capt.; Joseph Gately, and Fred S. Cook, George Wilson, asst. capt.; Barney Baskin, Guy Cook, Oscar Sibley, 1st nozzle men; Ralph Wheeler, William C. Wolff, 2d nozzle men; Joseph Gately, Thomas Gately, hydrant men.

These new men were added to the department. Frank Polphus Bastien and Sylvester Chesbro. The resignations of William Lougee and Alex. Bodah were accepted.

Beginning with the third Monday in May the entire fire apparatus will be taken out for practice work on the first and third Monday of each month until the first of September.

Largely Attended. There was a large number of the townspeople present at the social, supper and experience party held in the vestry of the Congregational church on Wednesday evening under the auspices of the Ladies' Circle. A splendid supper was served from six to 7:30 under the direction of the following committee: Miss Alice F. Howe, Miss Leona Lee, Miss Nan Love, Miss Marion E. Fowle, Mrs. Will Love and Miss Mary A. Park.

At the close of the supper hour, the experience party consisting of the ladies of the church relating in verse the story of the Pentecost. The sum of one dollar was the special entertaining feature of the evening, bright and snappy verses being in evidence. The results of this novel idea came fully up to the expectations of the ladies, as the sum of forty-five dollars was netted.

The entertainment, which was in charge of Mrs. Helen McCoy, consisted of the following program: Piano duet, Mrs. Bessie Collyer and Miss Anne P. Holbrook; vocal solo, Mrs. Bessie Collyer.

Found Dead. Antonis Melius, a Poland, of Nashua street, aged thirty years, unmarried, was found dead on the Shaker road on Monday morning at about six o'clock by Emile Morin, an eighteen-year-old boy who was on his way to work at the transfer station in Ayer. Dr. Thomas E. Lilly was immediately sent for, and finding the man dead, the doctor notified Frank S. Bulkeley, of Ayer, medical examiner, who responded promptly. The fact that the body had apparently been dragged for a considerable length along the road and left on the embankment in front of the Eddie Forster house made the case seem a suspicious one.

The man was in an intoxicated condition when he died and apparently met death between nine o'clock on Sunday morning and four o'clock on Monday morning. An autopsy was performed at Wright's undertaking rooms at Ayer on Monday afternoon by Dr. Bulkeley, assisted by Dr. Lilly.

The medical examiner gave as his official opinion that death was caused by suffocation and presumed accidental while intoxicated. An inquest will be held at an early date, when it will be determined, if possible, just how Melius met his death.

The unfortunate man had been employed at the factory of the Samson cordage works in the spinning department for the past seven years. The other members of the Polish colony with which Melius spent last Sunday, tell so many conflicting stories in regard to this sad death, that it is probable that the full truth of the affair will never be known.

His hat was found some little distance from the body, and the tracks or marks where he had been dragged were plainly visible. Melius was a heavy drinking man, whisky being his favorite beverage, and those who knew him claim that he quite frequently drank two quarts of whisky in a single day, and it is probable that it is said that he had drunk even a gallon in a day. During the weekends he spent all his time drinking in company with his Poland friends.

D. A. R. Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., held its regular meeting on Monday evening with Mrs. Mary W. Hazen. Guests of the evening were Mrs. Augusta Page and Mrs. Albert T. Wright. Mrs. Abbie J. Wer parents, Mr. and Mrs. W. Carey were elected alternate for the next state meeting to be held on May 16, in Boston. Arrangements were made for placing a wreath on the revolutionary boulder and also to erect flowers for the graves of revolutionary soldiers. Plans are well under way toward the erection of the flag pole for which the chapter has been working for five years. Mrs. Allen gave a very interesting account of the continental congress and told of many pleasant meetings and receptions held while in Washington. Refreshments were served by the hostess and closed a very interesting meeting.

Edgarton, of the President Suspenders work, has made up the balance of money needed for the erection of the flag pole. This gift, coming unsolicited, was a source of gratification to the members of Old Shirley chapter, and to the townspeople. The members are now considering a site for the pole which will be a massive one—110 feet high. They are strongly considering the plot of ground at the junction of Harvard and Center roads, just north of the Universalist church, as a location for the flag pole, but as yet nothing definite has been decided.

Miss Gertrude Haskins, of Gardner, is spending a few days at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Charles Haskins, at the North.

Miss Grace Carey, of Fitchburg, was a guest of Mr. and Mrs. Merrill W. Carey the latter part of last week.

Miss Ruth M. Graves spent several days last week at the home of Miss Adelaide Weil at Townsend.

Mrs. Hodgman, of Fitchburg, was a guest of Mrs. Homer P. Holden for several days last week.

Mrs. Felton and daughter, Mrs. E. Barnard's of present, until the completion of the repairs on their newly purchased home.

Services will be held at Trinity chapel on Sunday afternoon at four o'clock. Sunday school at 4:45.

Miss Annie Costern, of Boston, is spending a few days at the home of Miss Elsie Kirby.

Mrs. Graves, of Boxborough, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves last week.

Mrs. Herbert Sweetser and little daughter Elizabeth returned home last week after a three-weeks' visit to relatives in Reading and Gloucester.

Miss Lily H. Parker, who has been quite ill at her home on Center road, is getting along nicely.

Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Goodspeed are having the barn at their home on Center road converted into a commodious garage.

Miss Hazel Cummings has returned to C. to attend at Fitchburg high school after a weeks' vacation spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Cummings.

Rev. and Mrs. Howard A. Bridgman, of Brookline, are at their summer home on Center road for a few days.

The Girls' Sewing Guild held a pleasant meeting on last Saturday afternoon with Misses Edith and Margaret Longley.

Albert Adams is having a large new piazza built at his home on Center road.

Miss Ruth M. Graves returned to Fitchburg State Normal school on Monday after a vacation of one week spent with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves.

Miss Cella Smith, of Fitchburg, spent the week-end with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. George E. Smith.

The next regular meeting of the First Parish Branch Alliance will be held on Thursday, May 15, at the home of Mrs. LaFrest J. Carpenter at the North. The last meeting, which was the annual meeting, was held at the First Parish church parlor. The following officers were re-elected from last year: Mrs. Georgia H. Farnsworth, pres.; Mrs. Mary W. Hazen, v. p.; Miss Agnes Holden, rec. sec.; Mrs. Lavonne J. Edgarton, cor. sec.; Mrs. Kate E. Hazen, treas.

Pomona. The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange met with Shirley grange on last week Thursday at the town hall. Members and visitors were present from thirteen towns, the attendance for the day being above one hundred. After the transaction of some important business, the program for the morning session opened with an address of welcome by Master George H. Farmer, of Shirley grange. The response was given by the overseer of the Pomona grange, Richard T. Barrow, of Concord Junction. A reading was given by Mrs. Arthur Rockwood, of Lunenburg; song, "A May morning," Miss Alice Prouty. The subject, "Which is the best money crop, squashes or tomatoes, and what kind of soil is best for growing them," by William Jubb. The morning session closed with a very interesting illustrated description of "A trip to Belgrade lakes," by Arthur R. Cummings, which was greatly enjoyed. At the end of the morning session an excellent dinner was served in the lower hall under the management of a committee from Shirley grange.

The afternoon session opened with a piano solo by Miss Margaret Benedict, of Groton, followed by a song by Miss Dora Bailey, of Groton. Both were heartily applauded and encored with a duet. The first speaker of the afternoon, Rufus W. Stimson, of the State Board of Education, gave a very interesting and practical talk on "State aid for vocational agricultural departments in selected high schools." On account of its unusual interest,

this number was repeated from the January program at the request of many of the members. A whistling solo was given by Mrs. Nettie Taylor Woodman, of Fitchburg, accompanied by Miss Hazel Cummings, of "Good roads," by George S. Ladd, of Sturbridge, past master of Massachusetts State grange, was well discussed. Merrick W. Carey handled in a masterly manner the subject "Do we need a pure seed law in Massachusetts," and interested his hearers from beginning to end. Piano solo was given by Mrs. Augustus Lovejoy and was encored. Mrs. Charles R. Kimball, of Littleton, read a well written paper on "The benefits of irrigation," followed by a reading by Mrs. Blanche Brown, of Groton, past lecturer of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona grange. A description of the battle of Gettysburg and a recitation by William Jubb closed one of the most interesting and enjoyable meetings of the year.

This was the last regular meeting before the usual summer recess of three months. The next regular meeting will be held on Thursday, September 18, at Groton.

Grange. Shirley grange held a very interesting meeting on Tuesday evening. The lecturer had planned a nicely arranged maple syrup party, and her program exceeded her expectations. The program opened with a song by the grange, followed by a reading by Miss Ruth Graves, and a song by William Jubb. "The maple as a shade tree," was a very interesting topic and was given by A. A. Adams, past master, in a very creditable manner. "The maple and its commercial use," by Past Master Bradford, was also worthy of special mention. Perhaps the best and most eloquent address of the evening was given by M. W. Carey. He treated his subject in a masterly manner, plainly describing the making of syrup and sugar, and his description was of a refined and educational character. He is at home when it comes to a talk on Vermont. This completes the program, at the close of which maple syrup was served with doughnuts and other good things.

Games were played and the evening was enjoyed by all. There will be no grange meeting on Tuesday, May 20, but an entertainment will be given in its place in aid of the educational aid fund.

LITTLETON. About Town. The family of Rev. W. C. Brown was at the old ancestral Brown home in Concord over last Sunday.

The topic of the Guild meeting will be Samuel Longfellow.

W. E. Conant, with members of his family, was in Watertown over Sunday with his son Ralph and family, it being his birthday.

Tomorrow will be observed as apple blossom Sunday at the Unitarian church, with a service and sermon appropriate to the blossoming season, and as usual on this Sunday a special opportunity will be given to any who wish to unite with the church at this time. The second Sunday in May is also known as mothers' day, it is suggested that each person wear or carry a sprig of apple blossoms in memory of his mother.

Mr. and Mrs. F. A. Patch were in Clinton with relative over Sunday.

At the annual meeting of the Alliance on last week Friday, the old officers were nearly all re-elected—Mrs. O. J. Fairfield, pres.; Mrs. M. J. Priest, v. p.; Mrs. A. W. Knowlton, sec.; Mrs. W. C. Brown, treas.

Mrs. O. J. Fairfield was in Ware last week visiting among old friends, attending a meeting of the Alliance, of which she was formerly president, going from there to visit relatives in Hartford, Conn.

Miss Floridene Smith, of Ware, is stopping for awhile at the Unitarian parsonage.

In Amherst, at the Church of the Unity, at a May party, among those taking a part were Lorna and Georgine Chandler.

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Saturday, May 10, 1913.

GROTON.

News Items. Mrs. Emma Abbott, of Littleton, was Sunday guest at Meadville, a pleasant home of Mr. and Mrs. T. G. Smith and family.

The Boston Globe of May 4 gives a report of soccer football game between Harvard and Columbia on Soldiers' field last Saturday afternoon. The game was tie until the last few minutes of play, when Needham (Daniel, of Groton) scored the goal from scrimmage that broke the tie and won the soccer championship for Harvard. Score 4 to 3.

Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Robbins arrived home from California on last week Thursday.

The Groton baseball teams, Groton School, Lawrence academy and Groton high, all met with defeat in their games played last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Harriman's private car, Arden, which was sidetracked at Groton station last week, left on the Sunday afternoon train for New York during this visit, presumably to her son at Groton School, was accompanied by her daughter, Miss Clara Harriman.

Mrs. Jane E. Clark returned to her home on Elm street on last week Wednesday after acting as housekeeper for Miss Farmer during several months past.

Mr. and Mrs. Leroy Converse left Groton on Monday to reside in Ayer.

Fred G. Carpenter, station agent, has bought a new touring car, a Ford, for which he has had a garage built in the rear of his residence on Station avenue.

Droves of cows going to their summer pasturage in New Hampshire, began passing through Groton last week.

Thomas Bywater, cableman, while working at South Framingham one day last week, received a slight shock and fell to the ground. He was considerably shaken, but was able to get home laying off from work for a few days.

Wheeler W. Ames, after a membership of twenty years, retired from the Groton fire company on May 1.

On next week Tuesday evening, Groton grange will present the play "Uncle Jack," in the town hall for the benefit of the State grange education fund. There will be a dance after the play. Music for dancing furnished by the Groton orchestra, five pieces, led by Thomas F. Donahue, Jr.

Mrs. Ella P. Woolley went over to Fitchburg on last Saturday to attend the funeral of her aunt, Mrs. Wright, who was ninety-six years old. Mrs. Juliet Stone and Mrs. Dudley Moors, mother and sister of Mrs. Woolley, coming from Charlestown, also attended the funeral, and afterward returned to Groton with Mrs. Woolley to visit her at her new home on Court street.

Mrs. Riley, mother of Miss Annie P. Riley, came to town on last Saturday to her rooms on Station avenue. She was accompanied by Mrs. Bishop, at whose home in Lowell, Mrs. Riley was ill with pneumonia this last winter. They both left Groton on the Sunday afternoon train.

Miss Norton, from Maine, arrived last week on a visit to her uncle, F. G. Carpenter, and her mother, Mrs. Norton, who is Mr. Carpenter's sister. She is here, or expected soon to join her daughter in this visit.

The first of the annual May meetings was held in the town hall on last Sunday evening, and was given a good attendance.

Arthur H. Mason is for the present taking Daniel Mason's place as ticket agent at the Ayer station.

The next meeting of the Improvement society will be held at the home of Mrs. F. F. Waters Monday afternoon, May 12, at half-past three.

The friends of Mrs. L. B. Voorhees of Weymouth, formerly of Groton, are interested to hear of the arrival of a second grandchild, born on April 28, to Mr. and Mrs. Nathaniel A. Richards of Orange, N. J. The little girl is named, Helen Charlotte Richards. Her mother will be remembered as Miss Lucy Voorhees, daughter of Rev. L. B. Voorhees, the beloved and lamented former pastor of the Congregational church of this town.

The Reading club met Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Frank Lawrence Blood.

Last Saturday just after the testing of the fire alarm, which was at noon, the fire alarm again sounded for a fire which was in the field near the so-called Gilson's crossing, on the Westford road, the land lying partly in Groton and partly in Westford. It was a hard fire to fight and kept the firemen busy all the afternoon. The fire broke out again on Sunday morning.

Mrs. Alice Needham Barnard and little daughter are guests of Mrs. Everett B. Gerrish.

The warm weather has hurried vegetation and Groton is beautiful with all the fruit trees in full bloom and at a much earlier date than usual.

The U. S. S. Georgia and U. S. S. Virginia that arrived at Charlestown navy yard last Sunday from a long cruise in Mexican waters, were received by the U. S. S. Minnesota and U. S. S. Idaho, the latter relieving the Virginia. The Idaho was anchored about five miles out from the beach at Tampico, which is north of Vera Cruz, where the Minnesota is at anchor. Word comes from the Idaho of a good quiet run from Philadelphia and the opinion that "no trouble with Mexico" is anticipated. The understanding by, I suppose, for "emergency and moral effect."

Baddacook pond has opened up for fishing and also for bathing as James Fitzpatrick took his first bath on last Monday night off of Shattuck's pier.

Mrs. Frank D. Lewis attended the meeting of Smith college alumnae at Hotel Somerset, Boston, last Saturday. There were seven members of her class—the class of '91—present.

Mrs. C. Z. Southard was called to New York on Sunday afternoon by the illness of her friend, Mrs. Grace Tiffany Malach. Mrs. Malach had undergone an operation for appendicitis, but afterwards pneumonia set in. She died on Monday morning, May 5.

Charles H. Berry, of Groton grange, was elected a member of the Pomona

grange executive committee at the Pomona grange meeting held at the grove on last week Thursday. He was installed by Past Master G. S. Ladd, of Sturbridge. Mr. Berry fills out the unexpired term of the late W. S. Parker, of Pepperell.

Dr. Samuel A. Green is planning to come to Groton on May 28, and be here on Memorial day.

Memorial Sunday will be observed on May 25. The G. A. R. will attend services at the First Parish Unitarian church, Rev. P. H. Cressley, pastor.

The selectmen have appointed Charles M. Raddin an engineer of the fire company, and forest fireward in place of James B. Harrington, resigned.

Lawrence academy won over Allen school in a game played on Shumway field on Wednesday afternoon. The score was 17 to 0.

Groton high won over Bromfield high on Wednesday afternoon by a score of 10 to 4.

Mason Shattuck is working in Littleton under Burpee Blakney, who has contracted for the construction of a section of the state road.

Albert B. Farwell is getting settled in his recently purchased residence on School street.

Rev. Mr. Martin, of Salem, who supplied the pulpit at the Baptist church on last Sunday, will preach there again on Sunday.

The minstrel show in the town hall on Tuesday evening, May 6, was given a large attendance and is well spoken of on every side, some even going so far as to call it the best minstrel show they ever attended. The boys' voices were evidently in good condition, for they sang finely, showing their good training. All appeared like many fellows. Their make-ups were excellent, and there were many rich jokes and local hits. The Shirley Industrial School boys certainly did themselves and their instructor much credit. This show was given under the auspices of Groton band, and it is understood that the proceeds are to be shared with the boys.

Groton School played Middlesex at Cotuit on Wednesday afternoon and won by the score of 7 to 2.

Little Miss Beatrice E. Palmer was seven years old on May 5, and invited a number of her schoolmates to the anniversary. They had a very lively time at this birthday party, and she received quite a number of pretty presents. All felt they had passed a happy afternoon.

We do make those snappy suits for ladies of homespun and plaids at Murry's, Ayer.

Wright's shop on Station avenue and is prepared to do repairs of all kinds; also, saws filed and set.

Neighborhood Club Meeting.

As usual, the Neighborhood club held a very enjoyable meeting last week. It met on Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. Marion Sargent. The order of procedure was carried out in the usual way and it was also made election afternoon. The officers for another year were chosen as follows: Mrs. Marion Sargent, pres.; Mrs. Mabel Tuttle, v. p.; Mrs. Loretta Graves, sec.; Mrs. Etta Sargent, treas.; Mrs. Lizzie B. Clough, Mrs. Grace Dickerman, Mrs. Estella Jewett, committee on program. There were two visitors present, Mrs. Moses, recently come into the neighborhood at the so-called Ward Stone place, and Mrs. Parsons, a guest of Mrs. Clough. Refreshments were served, and some pretty May baskets which the hostess had fashioned for each one were filled with dainty cakes. As usual, the club song closed the pleasant meeting.

Woman's Club.

There was a large attendance at the meeting of the Woman's club last week Friday afternoon and all present evinced much interest in listening to Miss Folts and Miss Herron of Manchester, who had come up to address the club. Miss Folts spoke on work done by clubs as regards playgrounds, school surroundings and all the general village and town improvements embraced in the subject of "Cities." Mrs. Herron on "Home economics" was equally instructive and interesting, telling of home-making and keeping, the buying and using of different foods, etc. She recommended the use of the leaflets prepared and furnished free on application by the U. S. department of agriculture. Mrs. Herron spoke also on the testing of different cloth materials, such as cottons, silk and woollens, not telling how to test them but opening the subject as one worthy of consideration.

Both speakers were willing to help the different committees of the newly formed Groton Woman's club, either by personal consultation or correspondence. This meeting is the last regular meeting for the season. The next regular meeting comes on Friday afternoon, October 3. The by-laws are now ready for distribution, each member being entitled to a copy, which may be obtained from either Mrs. Needham or Mrs. Manning.

On Monday evening, May 26, there is to be an open meeting of the club in the town hall. Mr. Clifton Sturgis, architect of all the Boston school buildings, will address the meeting on a desirable school building architecture.

Food and Apron Sale.

The food and apron sale held at the Congregational church rooms Thursday afternoon was given good patronage, and the entertainment and ice cream sale of the evening was very pleasing and successful. The crowning of the May queen, who was Beatrice Murphy, was a pretty spectacle as numerous children placed the crown, or with other ceremony did homage to their May sovereign.

The scarecrow drill was very laughable and was well carried out that the scarecrow boys were called by an encore to go through their movements a second time. Besides these, there was the reading of Tennyson's May Queen, by Miss Helen Bell Moore; a monologue by Miss Genevieve Harrington, singing by Blanche Benedict, of the Graham children, and by the Dickerman children, and a piano duet by Ethel Greene and her mother, Mrs. Joe Greene.

The whole made a very attractive entertainment, all the children were very charming. Mrs. Charles Harrington and Mrs. E. C. Leonard had charge of the entertainment, and must have felt gratified with its success. This closes the church's social events for the season.

Anniversary Observed.

Groton lodge No. 95, and Middlesex Rebekah lodge observed the ninety-fourth anniversary of the order on Wednesday evening at Odd Fellows hall on Hollis street. Some three hundred people, which included the members and the invited guests were present to enjoy the evening's festivities. Horace M. Sargent, of Haverhill, past grand master of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, was

expected up to six o'clock that evening, when a telegram was received announcing his inability to attend. This was disappointing, but still an enjoyable evening was passed. The Groton orchestra of five pieces, composed of T. F. Donahue, Jr., F. W. Chase, G. L. Shedy, George Bywater and Miss Della Hays, pianist, gave some very fine selections.

Mrs. J. H. Manning gave a monologue. Mrs. Frederick Bishop sang, and a number of the past grands responded as they were called on for remarks. Rev. G. M. Howe and Principal A. J. Clough, also spoke, as also did Herbert Folkins, noble grand of the M. U. lodge, of West Groton. While the ice cream and cake were served, the orchestra rendered selections. The pleasant gathering was brought to a close by all joining in "America."

West Groton.

Willie Kan, who has been having an enforced idleness at his home on account of an injury that he received while at his place of employment in Boston.

C. L. Roy spent Sunday with relatives in Walpole, N. H.

Mrs. Herbert Brown, of Foxboro, spent Wednesday in town calling upon relatives and friends. Here she met Mrs. Roscoe Ferden and little son Ellisworth, accompanied by her. They are visiting at Mrs. C. E. Blood's.

On last Saturday, while moving a barrel, Mrs. Mitchell fell and broke her left arm. She is a brave woman and bears her pain in a very heroic manner. She has been very unfortunate, for it will be remembered that a few years ago she broke her right wrist. Mrs. Mitchell is more than eighty years young, and with the exception of the time spent in recovering from her accidents, she takes all the care of her house, and at times has a boarder. She is at present at the home of her daughter, Mrs. G. H. Bibby, who will care for her until she recovers.

Rev. J. P. Trowbridge has arranged an anniversary program for this month to celebrate the twentieth anniversary of the organization of the Union Evangelical church. On last Sunday the subject was "The church in its Sabbath worship." The subjects of the following services are: May 11, 10.45, "The church in its daily work"; May 18, three o'clock, "The church in its christian fellowship," with an address by Rev. James Chalmers, D. D., pastor of Calvinistic church, and readings from the order of clergyman; May 25, 10.45, "The church is its heavenly rest."

The residence of J. T. Shepley and the store of Michael McGowan were entered on Tuesday night. At Mr. Shepley's, a small amount of money; also, a pair of overalls, were taken. Shoes, clothing and cigars were stolen from the store. Chief Riley was communicated with, and with the aid of a detective from Nashua, soon landed the thief, who proved to be a Russian Pole, at Pepperell. He was given a hearing in the district court at Ayer on Thursday morning and was bound over for the grand jury in June.

It was with sorrow that the friends of Mrs. George Adams learned of her sudden death early on Thursday morning. Although her home was in Shirley, she attended church here, and was a member of the L. A. S.

Elliott Blood hurt his hand quite badly last week by running the tines of a pitch fork into it. Dr. Priest, of Ayer, dressed the wound.

Since the death of her husband, Mrs. Warren Seams has given up shoe-making and is for the present with her sister, Mrs. Andrew Blood.

When the supper committee of the L. A. S. went to the hall on Thursday last week, they were very much pleased to find that town water had been installed in the kitchen.

The Keystone club will repeat the play "A thief in the house," on Wednesday night, May 14. The play will be followed by a social dance. Music by Robbins' orchestra, of Pepperell. The proceeds will be used for the benefit of the baseball team.

Mrs. Earl Sleeper, with her two little sons, is visiting her mother in Yonkers, N. Y.

Guy Wright returned from the Clinton hospital, where his friends were glad to hear that he is slowly regaining strength after his operation for appendicitis.

Miss Nellie Harrington went to East Walpole on Tuesday, where she will spend a few days with her sister, Mrs. Williamson.

Robert E. Bliss has purchased of E. O. Proctor, a new Buick touring car.

LITTLETON.

News Items. A. H. Gilmore and family, of West Acton, have arrived at their summer headquarters at the Littleton driving park, and Mr. Gilmore is busy training horses.

Miss Junjata Fairfield, of the high school senior class, is to be valedictorian, and Miss Priscilla Fairfield, salutatorian.

Mrs. Amelia Wakefield has let her house on King street to Arthur Bradstreet, who has his daughter and two grandchildren, will soon move here from Tilton, N. H.

Miss Lucy Adams, teacher in the Waltham public schools, is spending her vacation of one week with her sister, Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb.

Miss Miriam Conant attended the Oberlin college alumni reunion and banquet in Boston last week and heard President King and other prominent speakers. She then went to Arlington Heights, where she has visited her brother William's family.

The Lincoln class made itself useful the past week in the improvement of the grounds around the Baptist church, mowing the lawns, trimming and straightening the edges of the driveways and walks. It was a commendable piece of community work, adding much to the general appearance of the common, as well as to the church itself. The occasional mowing of the lawns will be entrusted to the Franklin class of boys for the summer.

The subject of the service on Sunday evening at the Baptist church will be "The lesson of Tennyson's poem, 'The holy grail.'"

The sale and salad supper at the Baptist church on Thursday, May 1, was very successful in every way. For entertainment, a rather elaborate cantata was rendered, after only two weeks' preparation. Though it showed the lack of sufficient rehearsing, it was very well done and an exceedingly lively and enjoyable evening for the large company that filled the vestry.

Miss Alice Libby is at home from the Fitchburg Normal school and is suffering from a painful injury to one of her fingers.

The following changes in train service on the Fitchburg division of the

Boston and Maine railroad will be of interest to many Littleton people: Beginning on May 13, the trains now leaving Littleton at 8.50 in the morning, 2.30 and 10.32 for Ayer and other stations will be discontinued. The train leaving at 7.15 will leave at 7.17 in the evening, and the midnight train from Boston, now at 12.37 a. m., will be due at 12.58, twenty-one minutes later. In the eastbound trains there is not much change. The train from Ayer due at Littleton at 4.48 p. m., for Boston, will be discontinued, but the Cheshire Branch express due to pass at 4.39 p. m., will be stopped on signal in its place.

From Boston papers we learn that the engagement of Miss Helen Hartwell Sewall, of Worcester, a well-known society belle, and member of the Smith college graduating class, to the Hon. Donnell Brooks Young, one of the athletes who competed in the Olympic games at Stockholm last summer, was announced this week by Miss Sewall's parents, Rev. and Mrs. John L. Sewall. Mr. Young, who made the record time of 48 1/2 seconds for the quarter-mile at the big games, is now an instructor in the department of biology at Amherst college. Miss Sewall's parents, who formerly lived in Littleton, now live here, and in Central Massachusetts, where many years of Mr. Sewall's life have been devoted to preaching and serving as secretary of the Worcester Board of Trade, and secretary of the Boston 1913 movement.

The drama, "Red Acre farm," presented in town hall on last week Friday evening by members of Ayer grange, attracted a good audience. Only words of commendation have been heard on all sides. The play was very interesting and the action moved with a snap and precision gratifying to the audience. The drama was well cast and the parts were cleverly taken. U. H. Barrows, of Ayer, coached the actors and directed the orchestra. An orchestra from Ayer furnished good music from the scenes. Should the entertainment be repeated in other towns, as reported, it would deserve good patronage. Mrs. G. H. Cash and Mr. Young, who were in charge of the candy sold during the evening, did a fair sum was realized for the Littleton and Ayer granges.

The Misses Cutter, of Goldsmith street, have recently had their buildings painted.

Mr. and Mrs. Locke, of Hudson, N. H., were week-end guests of her church, Ivo Russell, at George H. Cash's.

Fred Reed was out with a new passenger coach for the first time on last Sunday.

The Friday evening meeting of the Congregational church was held at Mrs. J. A. Kimball's home on King street this week.

An interesting and well attended meeting of the Mission Study class of United Workers, was held on Wednesday afternoon with Miss Julia S. Conant, to continue the study of China. Mrs. W. E. Conant had charge of the program.

The Merryfold brothers, of Somerville and Littleton, were recently in town making preparations for the summer at their bungalow.

The grange was beautifully entertained on Wednesday evening, and to Richard T. Wright, past master, and Mrs. Barrow, past lecturer, in due credit for one of the pleasantest evenings of the season. The musical and literary program included a piano solo by Mrs. Salmon, of Boxborough, vocal solo by Miss Sunderland, of Westford, cornet solo by Mrs. Charles T. Wetherbee, of Boxborough, accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Chauncy B. Robbins, followed by encore, popular song by Mr. Salmon, of Boxborough, and vocal solo by Mrs. Barrow, of Groton, reading by Mrs. Millard Sawyer, of Acton, remarks by past masters William Wright, Frank Wright and Mr. Sunderland, of Westford; Henry Robbins, of Ayer; Millard Sawyer, of Groton, who also read "A girl wanted"; Mr. Tenney, of Acton, who was very witty and one of the past masters of Concord.

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SHIRLEY.

News Items. Frank Snell is now located for the season at Fort Pond, ready for business.

The new Mitchell bridge is to be closed for a month for the purpose of concreting the driveway.

At a meeting of Fredonian lodge, I. O. O. F., held on Thursday evening, it was unanimously decided to repair Odd Fellows' hall. The estimated cost will be about \$5000. Work will be commenced at an early date and it is planned to have it completed by October. A grand fair and entertainment will mark the opening features of the building.

Quite a gala day was given the children of Shirley on Thursday afternoon at Odd Fellows' hall, under the auspices of the Altruistic club. Some three hundred children were present and greatly enjoyed the unique entertainment engaged by the committee for their special benefit, entitled "Golden Hair and the three bears." It was a charming entertainment and the children were greatly interested in the jolly bears. At the close, all present, including members of the club and invited friends, were served with ice cream and cake. Children's day has been observed for several years, and proves to be a great success.

Center. Mr. and Mrs. Henry Moulton, of Lunenburg, were guests at the home of Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Adams on Sunday.

Miss Carrie Hartwell, of Shirley, is a guest of Mrs. N. R. Graves for a few days this week.

The Matrons' Aid society will meet with Mrs. Elsie Evans, on Tuesday afternoon, May 11, at the camp in the Holden woodlot at the North.

Mrs. F. J. Lawton, who several weeks ago broke her hip, is improving rapidly.

The T. K. D. club will hold a social dance in the town hall on Saturday evening, May 17. Music by piano and drum. Refreshments will be served.

Nine Cornell students have enrolled in the domestic science course to learn how to cook.

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AYER.

News Items. Jerome W. Wright has resumed his duties as clerk at Sherwin's store after several months absence on account of illness.

Bishop Joseph G. Anderson, of Boston, will confirm a class at St. Mary's church on Tuesday, June 3, at 2.30 o'clock.

Rev. J. F. Fielden, of Fitchburg, will preach in the Baptist church at the morning and evening services on Sunday, J. F. Russell, of Leominster, who has been in the Philippines, will speak at special services on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday evenings of next week, and over Sunday, May 18.

Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Green, of Dorchester, spent last week at Seaside lodge at Sandy pond, their summer residence.

A social dance will be held at the Sandy pond schoolhouse on Saturday evening, May 10. Music, Perry's orchestra.

Over forty dollars was netted by Vesta Rebekah lodge in the minstrel show given under their auspices last week in Page hall.

Alfred Yates, who is employed at the Ayer Auto Station, narrowly escaped receiving burns on Tuesday which might have resulted fatally while about his work.

The Ladies' Social Gathering will meet with Mrs. M. M. Clark on Tuesday afternoon, May 13, at three o'clock.

The Ladies' Benevolent society of the Congregational church will serve a supper in the vestry on Wednesday at 6.30 o'clock.

Vice President A. R. Whaley, of the New York, New Haven and Hartford Railroad Company and the Central New England Railroad Company has been appointed head of the engineering, construction and maintenance department in addition to his duties as head of the operating department of these lines.

Mr. and Mrs. Hiram B. Clark, of this town, were tendered a reception at the home of their son, George H. B. Clark, in Shirley on last Sunday afternoon, it being the seventy-third birthday of Mr. Clark.

Mr. Ernest L. Hersom and daughter Florence, and son Frank and his wife, of Fitchburg, Mr. Clark was the recipient of a handsome rocking chair.

Light refreshments were served and a very enjoyable and social time was had by all present. Mr. Clark is past noble grand of Fredonian lodge of Odd Fellows. Years ago he was overseer of the carding department in the old Fredonia mill in Shirley.

Mrs. Julia Hart has had as her guest her sister, Mrs. Nancy Hardy, of Auburndale.

Miss Medora Roy, of Newton, visited her cousin, Annie Caron, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. C. D. Horner, of Waltham, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Gilson over the week-end.

Mr. and Mrs. Horton Jones and daughter Edwina, of Winchendon, were visitors at the home of Mrs. Jones' mother, Mrs. Emma Waterman, over Sunday.

Harbinger Temple, Pythian Sisters, initiated three candidates at the regular meeting on Monday evening. After the meeting supper was served.

Mrs. G. L. Dodge and two small daughters, of Brookline, visited her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. P. Beverly, over Sunday.

Dr. and Mrs. B. H. Hopkins and Mr. and Mrs. E. B. Harlow returned on Sunday from their visit to New Found Lake, Bristol, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry B. Spencer, of Holyoke, and their daughter, Miss Ella B. Spencer, were guests at the home of Mr. Spencer's sister, Mrs. Mary J. Farr, over Sunday.

Miss Elizabeth B. Patterson returned to Ayer on Monday from Milford, N. H., where she has been since leaving the Massachusetts General hospital several weeks ago.

Two picked teams captained by Frank Donahue and Everett Hurley played a game of baseball at the town park on last Saturday afternoon, the latter team winning by a score of 11 to 9.

A rear wheel of an automobile driven by L. E. Canning came off on Monday evening while he was driving it through Main street. The same afternoon a similar accident happened to the automobile operated by George Webber, of the Bixby-Webber Company, West Groton. There were no injuries in either accident.

The case of Grenache against the Boston and Maine railroad, which was on trial in the superior court at Lowell during the past week, was disposed of on Tuesday, when Judge Pratt ordered the jury to return a verdict for the defendant corporation. The case will probably be taken to the supreme court on points of law.

F. H. Hooley is on the jury in the superior court at Lowell which is hearing the \$25,000 damage suit of Commissioner George H. Brown for libel against Dennis A. Long, editor of the Lowell Sunday Telegram.

A horse belonging to Charles H. Hardy broke its leg near the electric railroad crossing close to the place on Central avenue on last Saturday while being driven to Ayer from Harvard. The accident was caused by the animal stepping on a round stone which rolled under its foot in such a way that the weight suddenly came on the leg, breaking the bone. It was necessary to have the animal shot; a fine horse and very valuable.

The patriotic exercises by the pupils of the public schools, an annual event in honor of Memorial day, will be given in the town hall on Thursday afternoon, May 29.

Mrs. Annie Walker, wife of E. H. Walker, daughter of John Carleton, who resided before her marriage on Grove street in this town for many years, fell over her dog at her home in Chelsea and broke her hip on May 2. She was taken to the Homeopathic hospital in Boston for treatment and

will be confined to the hospital for several weeks. Years ago, Mr. Carleton carried on a grocery business in the Public Spirit building.

Walter Dickinson moved his family from Shirley street to the house on the Shirley road known as the Griffin place on last Saturday.

George A. Cole and Willard W. Fleet have returned from Palmouth Heights, where Mr. Cole had a force of men building a summer residence for F. H. Reeve, of Ayer.

As a freight train bound for Lawrence was crossing the yard tracks to the east bound tracks, a short distance east of the overhead bridge on Tuesday afternoon, two heavily loaded cars, one containing pig iron, and the other coal, jumped the track and a good deal of damage to the tracks and the east bound track of the southern division. The cars were not much damaged and no one was hurt. The wreck was cleared by a force of men in charge of Millan P. Cole, foreman car inspector.

Attention is called to a change in time of services at St. Andrew's church. Services from now on will be at the morning on Sundays, followed by Sunday school at twelve. Choir practice will begin at 10.15.

The break last week at Kimball W. Martin's house on Washington street, which was noted exclusively in this paper last week, has the mark of being the work of petty robbers that have been operating in town during the past few months.

The candle grease found on the floor of this last break clearly shows that a candle was used to furnish light for the work, as was the case at the Vesper Preserve Company's shop some time ago, when these and similar marks were found. The police think it likely that the two breaks were committed by the same person, judging from appearances.

Fanny Sloski, the young daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Samuel Sloski, who was so badly burned at her home last week, is getting along nicely.

Mrs. Henry A. Brown is getting along well after an operation for the removal of a toe, on account of gangrene, last week. Dr. Bulkeley performed the operation.

Miss Alice Powers of Boston and her sister, Miss Nannie Powers of St. John, N. H., with her fiancé, also of that city, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Huntley S. Turner the latter part of last week, returning to Boston last Sunday afternoon.

Daniel W. Mason is still suffering from blood poison, caused, it is supposed, by the poison used in spraying trees. He and Mrs. Mason and his father, Charles W. Mason, are at Center Harbor, N. H., their summer home for a time. Mr. Mason's place at the Boston and Maine ticket office at the railroad station, is being filled by Arthur Mason of Groton, during his absence from duty.

There will be a regular meeting of the Easter lodge, N. E. O. P., next Tuesday evening. It is expected that the deputy, Mrs. Maud Riley of Gardner, will be present.

George J. Burns left last week Tuesday on a business trip of five or six weeks to Texas and from there across the country to Canada.

Miss Edith E. Burnham, who holds a regular communication on Monday evening, May 12, Work, M. M. degree. A banquet will be served after the work.

About twenty-five members from St. Paul and Caleb Butler lodges went to Lowell last Saturday to attend the exhibition of the Master Masons of the grand lodge of Odd Fellows. Years ago he was overseer of the carding department in the old Fredonia mill in Shirley.

Mrs. Worrick of Waltham came here Thursday morning on a visit to her sister, Mrs. S. P. Morgan, and they both leave for Waltham today. Mrs. Morgan will make a stay with her sister for a couple of weeks.

Miss Doris Savage of Montreal, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Savage of that city, visited with Mrs. M. L. Savage, for a couple of days this week. Miss Doris is a guest of her uncle, Hanson M. Savage, of Wollaston.

James I. Mills, deputy fish and game commissioner, stocked the three Townsend villages with brook trout this week Friday afternoon. The fish were received through the Massachusetts fish and game commissioner. There were six large cans, each containing three hundred trout.

Mr. Phillips, the fishman, met with an accident on Friday morning while on his rounds to his customers on the "Acres." It occurred near the residence of Mrs. White, when he fell into his fish wagon, the reins dropping, and in attempting to get them, his horse reared up and started on a run, throwing him out onto the ground, cutting a gash in the back of his head and injuring his side. The wagon was badly shaken up and Mr. Phillips, of Groton, was sent for. The harness and his wagon was damaged.

The new bridge at Mitchellville, which was temporarily opened to public travel by the use of heavy plank through the winter and spring, is again closed to public travel for the purpose of putting a solid cement flooring for permanent use. A gang of men is engaged in the work every day and according to the report of the selectmen it will take two or three weeks to complete the work. All traffic bound for points west of Mitchellville will be obliged to take the course round through North Shirley.

Edward A. Magovern received word on Wednesday night that his father, Thomas Magovern, a former well-known citizen of Ayer, was seriously sick at his home in Cranston, R. I.

Miss E. O'Brien is having a closing-out sale of millinery at the store of Miss Millie M. Beverly, Main street, Ayer. Everything at greatly reduced prices.

Miss E. B. Patterson, who has permanent rooms at Mrs. N. W. Kilbridge's, 51 Washington street, has returned to her work and will be glad to greet her friends and customers at their homes or her rooms. Tel. 23-2.

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Letters remaining unclaimed at the Ayer postoffice for the week ending May 5: Mrs. Charles Baster, Rev. Jno. F. Faughnan, Mrs. Mary Hall, G. J. King, Fred Lambert, Lawrence Smith, Taylor House.

At the Unitarian church on Sunday morning the pastor will preach a sermon at 10. Sunday school at twelve. Y. P. R. U. at six in the evening.

District Court. Joseph Sibofski, of Pepperell, was found guilty on Thursday morning on two counts of breaking and entering and larceny in West Groton on Wednesday night and was held in \$1000 on each complaint for his appearance before the next session of the grand jury. Bail was not furnished and he was taken to the East Cambridge jail to await trial. The alleged crimes were committed at the store of McGowan, where a number of under

shirts and drawers, shoes and an outside shirt were taken and at J. P. Shepley's house where some money was stolen.

Soon after the breaks, suspicion turned toward Sibofski, who is a Pole, and for finding up the clues obtained, Chief Riley, of Groton, made the arrest. Chief Monteth furnished strong evidence against the accused when he produced the latter's photograph and his Bertillon measurements.

When arrested, Sibofski wore four under shirts, three pairs of drawers, an outside shirt, a pair of shoes, all property taken from McGowan's store. He also had other shoes that were also stolen with him. When asked why he wore all the clothes taken, instead of carrying them in his hands, the prisoner stated that he thought he could carry them more conveniently by wearing them.

When questioned, Sibofski showed the usual signs of nervousness, which is characteristic of his countrymen when the questions put to them are likely to produce answers that might lead to their guilt. The prisoner appeared in the local court some time ago, and was given a jail sentence.

The report of the autopsy on the body of Antonio Mielus, which was found in Shirley on Sunday morning, was filed with the court by Frank S. Bulkeley, medical examiner, on Saturday morning. The finding was that death was evidently due to suffocation, presumably accidental.

In the juvenile session on Monday morning mentioned last week, for breaking and entering, were disposed of. One of the boys was placed in the custody of the probation officer, one sent to the home of the Angel Guardian Roxbury, and the third was placed in the care of his uncle, who is a teacher. This disposition, it is hoped, will result in the reformation of the youngsters, the oldest being but ten years of age.

Miss Holmes Conductor. The annual concert of the Smith college orchestra was given in John M. Greene hall, Northampton, April 25, under the leadership of Miss Revere Holmes. The program included Schubert's Italian symphony and Mendelssohn's Italian symphony and the first movement of Bach's double concerto. The orchestra has more than forty members from all four classes. This is its tenth year, it having been formed by Miss Holmes after she came to the college. It began with thirteen members and made its debut at Commencement in 1904.

Besides each year making a special study of certain works, the orchestra gives an annual concert, plays at Commencement dramatics and sometimes at division plays. This year it also played at the Glee club concert.

Miss Holmes is a former resident of this town and a daughter of the late Rev. J. M. Holmes, a former Congregational minister.

Change of Schedule. A change of time will go into effect on the Fitchburg division of the Boston and Maine railroad on Monday, May 12, following are the changes which affect Ayer.

No. 11, known as the theatre train, will be annulled between Boston and North Adams, but will be replaced between Boston and Fitchburg by a train, No. 87, which will leave Boston daily, except Sunday, at 3.15 p. m., and arrive at Ayer at 1.08 a. m.

No. 21, due to leave here for the west at 6.58 p. m., will leave under the new schedule at 7.10 p. m.

Train 19, west bound, now due here at 10.17 p. m., leaving Boston at 9.15 and running express to Ayer.

Train 93, west bound, now due here at 10.40 p. m., will run as far as South Adams only, leaving here at 10.30 a. m., for Boston, will leave at 11.16 a. m.

Train 515, now arriving here from Boston at 9.11 a. m., will reach here two minutes earlier, at 9.09 a. m.

Train No. 37, due to leave here for Fitchburg at nine a. m., is annulled.

No. 76, local train due to leave here for Boston at 4.40, and west bound train due here at 2.55 p. m., are also annulled.

Train 514, due to leave here at 11.04 a. m., for Boston, is annulled east of Fitchburg.

There are no changes on the other divisions in the new schedule.

To Install Automatic Lights. The telephone company intend soon to install an automatic lighting system in the telephone booths at the railroad station. The system will work automatically, so that when a person wishes to talk after dark, a light will show as soon as he steps on the floor of the booth, and will continue to burn as long as he remains in the booth.

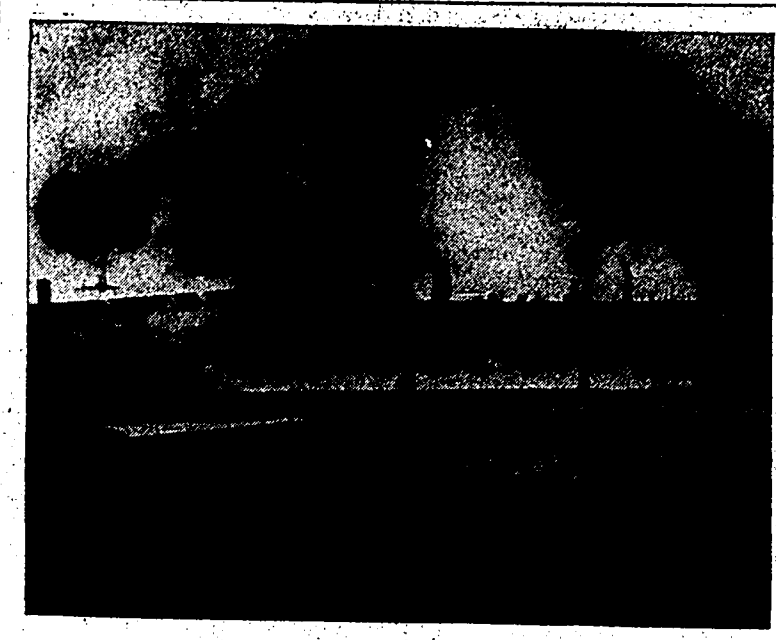
The automatic arrangement by which the lights are burning only while the person is in the booth, eliminates waste of power and of course money.

Highly Entertaining. The moving picture show at Page hall on last Saturday evening was up to its usual standard of excellence. In addition to the regular show, some fine photographs of the fire at the Boston and Maine engine house, taken by Photographer Dempsey, were thrown on the screen, and they were received with applause.

The singing of popular songs by Carl Hutchins and John McElroy, of Boston, both duets and the solos, were in the minds of the audience. The speakers ruled the vacation out of a prolonged until toward the closing days of the session.

Outside of the legislative fight, however, the members as well as the general public, have followed with keen interest the investigation, by the Interstate Commerce commission, of the finances of the Boston and Maine and New Haven railroads. The appearance of President Mellen before the Interstate Commerce Commission on Friday last week Friday was the sensation of the hearing, for his answers to the charges made by Mr. Brandeis and his associates were so direct that they did much to clarify the situation.

Mr. Mellen used Examiner Brown's own figures regarding the alleged extraneous Pullman contract, for instance, and showed by them that the Pullman Company stood to make a loss of \$35,000 per annum instead of a profit of \$600,000. As for the charges directed personally against Mr. Mellen, these were answered so effectively that they are likely never to be heard from again.



BURNING OF ROUNDHOUSE AT AYER (Photo by Dempsey)

Disastrous Fire. One of the most disastrous fires that have occurred here in years broke out in the engine house of the Boston and Maine freight yard on last Saturday afternoon.

The engine house was built eight years ago, and had a capacity of fifteen locomotives. At the time of the fire there were eleven in the house, four being taken out before the fire got under headway.

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The fire is reported to have been caused by spontaneous combustion in a closet which is located in the southwest corner of the engine house. The building being saturated with oil, the flames spread very rapidly and in a few minutes the whole interior was on fire, and in a half hour only the brick walls were standing. It was feared at one time that the fire might catch the oil house which is close behind the engine house, but the fact that the fire was in the interior of the brick walls prevented the fire from getting that point. Had the

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News Items. The annual meeting of the Woman's club for election of officers will be held on Monday afternoon.

Mrs. Hayward Hartwell, of Somerville, spent Wednesday with Mrs. Clayton Hartwell. Hayward Hartwell and family leave their winter home for Unity, N. H., the latter part of this week.

We are again reminded of the supper at the usual price to be in charge of the younger members of the Congregational club in the Congregational vestry on May 14. In the evening, Rev. H. H. Packard will give one of his popular illustrated lectures, with one hundred slides, on "The Great Northern railroad."

Mrs. H. L. Robbins, who has been living in East Orange, N. J., for several months, is the guest of her father, F. C. Hartwell, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Rice, of Melrose, were at George Bonnell's on last Sunday to visit their little daughter Elizabeth, who, with Miss Oecenia Bonnell, is spending two weeks in town.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles S. Perry, of Hillsboro, N. H., made a brief visit the first of the week with Mr. Perry's sister, Mrs. E. C. Hartwell. They came from Hillsboro in their automobile and were accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Smith and two daughters. Mr. Smith returned to Hillsboro on Monday, and Mrs. Smith and the children remained for a visit of a few weeks with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nathan Taylor.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Smith are on an auto trip through Rhode Island and Connecticut this week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Adams, of Concord Junction, spent last Sunday with his sister, Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb, and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Anthony, of Wamesit, were Sunday guests of Mr. and Mrs. Clyde F. Crane.

Mr. Burno and his force of Italian workmen arrived ready for work on Monday. They are digging and laying pipe on the Taylor street extension of the town water system, and when that has been completed they will begin work on the Harwood avenue extension.

It is rumored that the macadam road is soon to be continued on King street to the Boston and Maine railroad station.

Miss Margaret Conant enjoyed the hospitality of the Misses Elizabeth and Margaret Brown at the Brown farm in Concord on last Sunday.

Mr. and Mrs. Waldo E. Conant spent last Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Conant in Watertown, thus observing their son's birthday.

Mrs. Jessie McGregor, of Danvers, is visiting with relatives in town.

The Littleton high school baseball team was defeated by Westford academy at the home grounds Wednesday afternoon. Pepperell high school team came to town on last Saturday and won. Groton high school will play against Littleton high in Littleton this afternoon.

King's Daughters' Meeting. The King's Daughters held an open meeting in the Unitarian vestry on last Tuesday afternoon. There was a good number of the members present, but few visitors. The meeting was called to order by the president, Mrs. Everett Kimball, and some time was devoted to business. Money was voted to Gordon Rest in Hanson, the King's Daughters' home for Middlesex county; also, to Ingleside home in Roxbury to the Society for Prevention of Cruelty to Children, and to the Sailors' Haven in Charlestown.

The resignation of Mrs. A. W. Knowlton from the office of county secretary was announced, and a letter from Mrs. Smardon, county president, was read, expressing her regret at the resignation of so able and faithful an officer.

A report of the recent sale was given and the sum netted amounted to \$141.

Mrs. Kimball presented as the speaker of the afternoon, Miss Susan Brockenshire, Massachusetts state treasurer of the King's Daughters. She hoped to secure the necessary money to send to the home for the summer, an aged grandmother who has enjoyed its comforts for a season before and longs for them again. Contributions from the local circle or from friends outside for the grandmother fund would be most acceptable.

Miss Brockenshire spoke with deep interest of the work in Korea where her nephew and his wife are engaged in missionary work, and at the close of the address the "Forget-not-circle" voters gave dollars to the work in Korea, to be used as seems advisable.

Annual Meeting. The annual meeting of the Alliance was held in the Unitarian vestry on last week Friday, and a good representation was present. There were reports of officers and an informal discussion of subjects relative to the church and society. Various appeals were answered, and after other matters of business were transacted, the following officers were elected for next year:

Mrs. O. J. Fairfield, pres.; Mrs. M. J. Priest, vice-pres.; Mrs. A. W. Knowlton, sec.; Mrs. W. C. Brown, treas.; Mrs. W. C. Brown, Mrs. S. E. Abbott, directors, one year; Mrs. N. H. Whitcomb, Mrs. Amelia Wakefield, directors, two years; Mrs. W. H. Titcomb, Mrs. H. F. Proctor, directors, three years.

Mrs. P. L. Brown was chosen delegate to the May meeting.

Accident. As Mrs. Charles A. Kimball and her two little boys were driving to Groton to call on her father on Sunday afternoon, her horse became frightened and sprang up on the Great road and sprang up on the bank beside the street, overturning the top buggy and throwing out all three occupants. The boys were practically uninjured, but Mrs. Kimball sustained severe bruises, and one muscle of her right arm was badly sprained. The horse was slightly bruised and the buggy broken in several places. Mrs. Kimball was kindly assisted by Mr. Fernald, near whose residence the accident happened, and also by the owner of a limousine and two motorcyclists. Her condition has improved slightly during the week, but she has no use of the injured arm at present.

A Bitter Disappointment. The course pursued by President Wilson since his inauguration seems to be rather a bitter disappointment to the faithful and true pillars of the Grand Old Party—the democratic party. To the exceedingly hungry ones who believe in a prompt distribution of tinloaves and fishes, the slowness with which he moves in this important matter, and his evident disposition to let the present incumbents serve out their

term for which they were appointed, must be exceedingly trying. Then, too, his evident disposition to regard campaign pledges as binding after election and not as a clever device to catch votes must be a bitter disappointment to the seasoned henchmen of the G. O. P., as it is a radical departure from the regular practice of the latter day "practical politician."

Another cause for disappointment is the evident conviction of President Wilson that the office he holds is merely ornamental. It is very evident that he is firm in the belief that the president should take an active part in the management of affairs and have an opinion of his own and not be a mere figurehead to sign bills and do as the managers of his party wish.

Though he does not announce his program with the flourish of trumpets that used to attend the proclamations of the immortal Teddy, he seems to have a pretty clear idea of what he would like to do and shows a laudable disposition to try and live up to his pre-election pledges.

Though I have not too firm a faith that he will be able to carry out all his plans or redeem all the pledges contained in the party platform, in all fairness it must be admitted that an honest effort is being made in the direction which is more than we always get from a new administration. The tariff question is particularly touchy, but the G. O. P. has no right for no change can be made in any article on the list without pinching somebody's pocket.

Miss Lucy Magovern has returned from visiting friends in Marblehead. Miss Athalie Lewis, of Fitchburg, visited her sister, Mrs. Mary Gowell, recently. Miss Maria Gay, of Fitchburg, also visited friends and relatives in town on last Saturday.

Miss Marguerite Eddy, of Lenox, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Sidney H. Francis.

The C. E. society held a business meeting at the home of Frank E. Lantry Tuesday evening.

Lucius J. Shepard, of East Princeton, will give a talk on hen farming before the grange on Wednesday evening, May 14. Mr. Shepard has a good authority, and having had much experience in that line, he knows whereof he speaks. An egg supper will be held in charge of Mrs. E. S. Marshall.

Communion services were held in both the Methodist and Congregational churches on last Sunday. Two new members were added to the Congregational church by letter, from former places of residence.

Surveyors have set the stakes for the continuation of the state road, to extend from the present terminus, near the Stephen Adams place in Goodrichville, to the Shirley line, or near there.

The papers have been passed in the real estate transaction by which Charles L. Sands conveys his right and title to his farm on the Northfield road, to Benjamin Frederic Bailey of Fitchburg. Mr. Sands is to give possession on June 1. He has lived on the place for sixty years, and the family have made many warm friends among their neighbors, who very much regret to have them leave town.

The regular meeting of the Woman's club was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Scott on Friday, May 2. Forty members were present and were highly entertained by the lecture of Rev. Dr. George H. Spencer, on "Flat wheels."

The next meeting, May 16, will be held in the town hall and both ladies and gentlemen are invited. The lecture will be given by Rev. Dr. Samuel Spencer, of Boston, and the subject will be "The work in the house." It is said to be quite humorous and will be a rare treat.

The Methodist church and society held a reception for the new pastor, Rev. Alfred Noon, and family, at the church on Wednesday evening. Mr. and Mrs. George Whitcomb received the company at the door and the ushers were Misses Blanche Whitcomb, Myrtle and Gladys Hastings, and Ernest Aker and Mrs. Martin.

The following were Rev. and Mrs. Alfred Noon and daughter Helen. Rev. and Mrs. W. J. Aker, Mrs. O. W. Scott and Robert T. Whitcomb, senior trustee. Harlequin ice cream and cake were served.

Annual Meeting. The Ladies' Sewing Circle of the Congregational church held their annual meeting and election of officers in the vestry on Wednesday afternoon. The following were elected officers for the year: Mrs. Emma Bryant, pres.; Miss M. F. Hadley, v. p.; Mrs. Edith Harley, sec. and treas.; Mrs. J. E. Longley, aud.; Mrs. Warren Lewis, chairman of social com.; Mrs. Mary Howe, chairman of work com.; Mrs. L. Peabody, Mrs. M. C. Howe, kitchen com.; Mrs. Nettie Barter, Mrs. C. E. Brown and Mrs. J. E. Longley, visiting the sick com.; Mrs. Warren Lewis, pur-chasing com. It was voted to pay thirty dollars toward church expenses.

Mrs. Harley reported a gift of five dollars from a friend, to be added to the twenty-five dollars of the circle for this purpose. Voted, to hold a dinner on May 23. Mrs. Bryant is the president of the circle, presented the ruling president, Mrs. Mary Sands, with a beautiful silver berry spoon or ladle, and silver spoons. Mrs. Sands, although much surprised, feelingly expressed her thanks for the beautiful gifts and will regard them among her treasures.

Wonderful Skin Salve. Bucklen's Arnica Salve is known everywhere as the best remedy made for all diseases of the skin, and also for burns, bruises and boils. It reduces inflammation and is soothing and healing. J. T. Sossaman, publisher of News, of Concord, N. C., writes: "A box helped his serious skin ailment after other remedies failed. Only 25c. Recommended by William Brown, Ayer."

New Advertisements. 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 JANE A. EGARTON late of Shirley in said County, deceased, Intestate.

Notice is hereby given that a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate not already administered of said deceased, to FRANK J. McINTIRE of Groton in the County of Middlesex without requiring 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 twenty-seventh 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 hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the 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 second day of May in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

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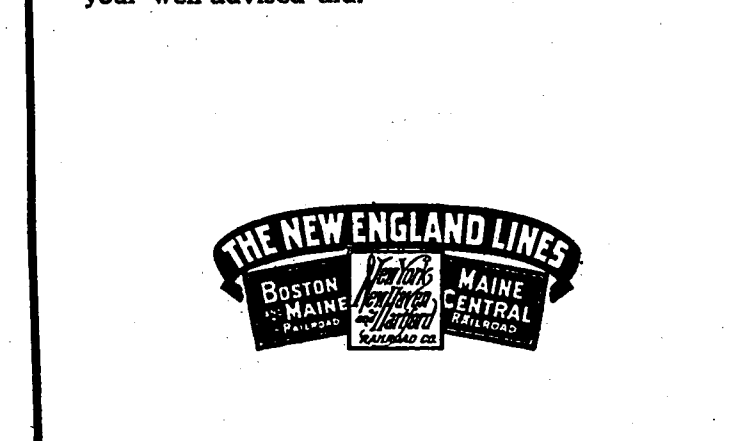
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By virtue of and pursuant to a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by George H. Blood and Emily C. Blood, wife of the said George H., in her own right, to Alice B. Fleet, dated September 14th, 1908, and recorded with Middlesex South District Registry of Deeds, book 3391, page 497, for breach of the conditions therein contained, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at Public Auction on the premises hereinafter described, on Saturday, the thirty-first day of May, A. D. 1913, at two o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely:

A certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in said Groton (Groton Center) at the corner of Hollis and Champney streets and bounded as follows, to wit: Beginning at the southeast corner of said premises at a stone bound at the corner of said streets; thence westerly by said Champney street about one hundred and sixty-six (166) feet to a stone bound at land of said Emily C. Blood; thence northerly by land of said Emily C. Blood about two hundred and seventy (270) feet to a stone bound at land now on late of the heirs of B. F. Nutting; thence easterly by said Nutting land three hundred and thirty-eight (338) feet to a stone bound at Common street; thence southerly by said Common and Hollis streets to the first mentioned bound. Being the same premises conveyed to the said Emily C. Blood by deed of William L. and Sarah J. Rugg, recorded with said Middlesex Deeds, book 3088, page 477.

The above premises will be sold subject to a prior mortgage of \$2000, accrued interest and all unpaid taxes. Terms made known at time and place of sale.

ALICE B. FLEET, Mortgagee. Ayer, Mass., May 1st, 1913. 3134

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. Whereas WILLIAM HOWEN BARKER, of Groton, in said County, has presented to said Court, a petition praying that his name may be changed to that of BOWEN BARKER, for the reasons therein set forth.

All persons are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County, Middlesex, on the fourteenth day of May, A. D. 1913, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any they 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 twenty-first day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen.

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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 THOMAS HUGH late of Pepperell 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 ERNEST G. HAYES of Pepperell in said County, or to some other suitable person.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the "Public Spirit," a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing post-paid a copy of this citation to the next of kin of said deceased seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twentieth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. 3231 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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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 J. MCINTIRE 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 twentieth 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.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this seventh day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and thirteen. 3133 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

Current Events. The Nativist Boys' club will meet at the Congregational parsonage on Friday evening for election of officers. Rev. Mr. Beard, the former pastor of the Methodist church, was in town this week, having recently come from the hospital where he was operated upon for appendicitis. Mr. Doekrin preached at the Methodist church on last Sunday. At the evening meeting Miss Gertrude Abbott, of Stanstead Plains, Canada, presided very acceptably at the organ.

A little son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Henry Baker, of Leominster, this week. They were formerly of this town. Walter Parker and family, and Mrs. Lilla Hardy were at their summer home a few days last week, returning to Lowell on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Mahon, Miss Margaret Mahon, Mrs. Annie Eagles and Miss Grace Burke, all of Dorchester, Mass., were the guests of their friends in town on Sunday. They came by way of Townsend in Mr. Mahon's touring car. Ernest Nye and family, of Sandown, arrived in town early Sunday morning in their auto, and were guests for the day at the home of George H. Nye.

Mrs. S. M. Bowen passed her eighty-fifth milestone on May 2. Mrs. Bowen enjoys the best of health for her years. Postcards from her friends reminded her of the day.

Mrs. Mary E. Smith is away for a few weeks at Southbridge, Mass. Edward Gould, of Boston, has been the guest of his parents.

A train fire on the railroad last week came near being a serious one, as the wind was spreading the fire fast when the section gang from Mill street arrived and made a noble stand, and the fire was soon under control.

Charles S. Dunbar, of Sandown, was a recent guest in town. Freeman Wright goes to Durham on May 21, to attend the inaugural of President-elect Prof. Fairchild, of the New Hampshire college. Mr. Wright goes as a delegate from Brookline.

Again Fred Farnsworth and family are enjoying trips in their auto after spending the winter in Florida. They arrived home on Saturday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Harry Campbell were recent visitors in Boston. Miss Josephine Seaver has been on the stay-at-home list from a bad cold. There are many tent caterpillars nesting on the trees this spring. A good dose of kerosene will clean them off.

There are some gypsy moths in the village and in the woods. The brown-tails do not seem to be as numerous in the village as last year. Warren Barnaby and family are at the home for a visit.

Mary Brown has been a recent guest at William and Arthur Brown's. She returned to Waltham, Mass., this week. Judge and Mrs. E. E. Parker and two other guests have been at their summer home for a few days.

Mrs. John A. Coburn was ill last week with an attack of bronchitis. The regular monthly meeting of the W. R. C. comes on Tuesday evening, May 13, in the high hall, at eight o'clock. It is hoped that there will be a large attendance of members as there is a good deal of business planned for this meeting.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Cameron, of Nashua, were visitors in town on Sunday. Beatrice Stinson was quite ill last week with a bad throat trouble. Her first it seemed to be only a common sore throat, but it grew worse and developed into two abscesses, one on each side of the throat. At last reports she was improving.

Albert F. Hildreth attended the State Board of Trading meeting at Mill-hill, N. H., on Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. Flora E. Hardy visited relatives in Milford the past week.

Barbara Scott, the second oldest daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank E. Scott, broke her left arm and elbow joint on last Saturday forenoon while at play with her little cousin. She is being treated at the hospital and is doing well.

Cyrus F. Budge returned this week after a very pleasant visit of five days to his relatives at Attitude, Sandown. He attended the annual school convention as a delegate on May day.

Joseph Mooney, of Boston, has entered the employ of the Belgrade rug factory and is boarding with Mrs. William F. Cook, of Sandown.

G. A. Seaver, who has been enjoying a few days' vacation at his home on Main street, has resumed his duties in the office of the Belgrade rug factory.

The time of the mid-week prayer service of the Baptist church has been changed from Friday evening to Thursday evening at 7:30 o'clock until further notice.

James Bell, of South Sudbury, spent Sunday with his family at his home on Main street.

H. Fox, who has been visiting Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch, of Josselynville, has returned to her home in Maine, and her daughter and little granddaughters, Mrs. M. and Mrs. Walter Wilder, at the Center, are boarding for the present at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred G. Smith.

Miss Alice Seaver met with a severe fall down a flight of steps from her front porch on last week Friday evening, striking her head on a window sill. She was fortunately struck on the turf and was not seriously injured beyond a severe shaking up and a dislocation of the shoulder which has inconvenienced her for several days.

Frank Cover and family, and Mr. and Mrs. J. F. Coburn and daughter, and Mrs. J. F. Coburn and daughter, were in town and a visit with relatives on last Sunday.

Mrs. Belle Blood has left the employ of Mrs. M. J. Cook, where she was housekeeper, and taken a position at the Center.

Mrs. A. D. Winship and family, who have been out of town for a number of days by the death of a relative at South Acton, have returned.

On last Sunday morning, Rev. S. D. Ringrose took for his subject "The Bible," from the using of a new Bible in the pulpit of Rev. and Mrs. Maurice Levy, of Boston, and on the fly leaf of which is this inscription: "The gift of the Holy Spirit is the best of all gifts."

The evening service he commenced a series of twenty sermons on night scenes from the bible, his subject being "The Last Night in Sodom." The service was held in the vestry at eight o'clock and was given by Mrs. Mervin Hodgman, which was much enjoyed, and which will continue to be a feature at the Sunday evening service.

The Y. P. S. C. E. met in the vestry at six o'clock with the president, Jan Rusk, in charge and twenty-two presiding members. The roll was called and a regular monthly business meeting was given out by the leader, Rev. Van Levy and Mrs. Mervin Hodgman.

The monthly banquet of the West Townsend Brotherhood was held in the vestry of the Baptist church on last week Thursday evening. The attendance of over one hundred. The rooms were beautifully decorated with crepe paper and bunting, and a splendid supper was served.

The program was in charge of the president, Warren Elliott, and consisted of piano solos by Prof. Seaver, which were heartily enjoyed. Vocal solos by Miss Mildred Morgan, each of which received an enthusiastic encore.

The president then called upon Messrs. Rice and Richmond, of Fitchburg, and Ross, Warren and Allen, of the Center. Walter Hayden, of Winton, Rev. S. D. Ringrose, delivered a few closing remarks and the meeting closed with a verse of "America." The performers were given a ringing vote of thanks for their services during the evening.

"He Giveth His Beloved Sleep." In memory of Mrs. Lucy R. C. Clark, born in Chelmsford, May 30, 1815, passed on, West Townsend, January 24, 1913. Age, 97 yrs., mo. 25 days. She sleeps—but "a little while." That face serene, and peaceful smile. Reflect from the shores of Time. These weary hands we fold away. A violet sweet around them lay: With anguished hearts for strength we pray. To Thee—O Love divine.

Where wilt awaken soon, to life more sweet. Where holy angels "watch," and keep Ward—throughout eternal day, with all her might each task done; The battle fought—the victory won. "Truth" with her held primal sway. She traveled far earth's toil-worn path: Love's benediction crowns at last. Our mother—blessed mother. We loved thee—loved thee—mother dear; Home seems bereft of all its cheer; That vacant chair still waiteth here; For thee, my gentle mother. After the finished tasks of Time, We'll meet thee there O mother mine; Love, and hope lead further on. There hangs in truth the way debar. We see the lights beyond ether bars; From the heights—beyond the stars. We hear love's glad sweet song.



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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Charles A. Dennen to Clarence Stickney, dated April 17, 1907, and recorded with Middlesex Southern District Deeds, Book 3297, Page 56, and for breach of the conditions of said mortgage, and for the purpose of foreclosing the same, will be sold at public auction upon the premises hereinafter described, on Monday, the Nineteenth Day of May, 1913,

at three o'clock in the afternoon, all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed, namely: A certain parcel of land situated in Pepperell in the County of Middlesex and Commonwealth of Massachusetts, bounded and described as follows: Easterly on Park Street by two lines measuring together nine hundred and ten (910) feet; Southerly on land now or formerly of Charles H. Miller two hundred and seventy-three (273) feet by a line running North 88° West; Easterly again on said land of Miller as the high board fence stood in January, 1899, seventy-eight (78) feet; Southerly again by land now or formerly of one Woodward as the remains of an old wall stood at said date three hundred and four (304) feet; Easterly again on said Woodward land as the stone wall stood at said date ninety-nine (99) feet; Southerly again on land now or formerly of one Letendres and now Dennen as the pole fence stood at said date and in extension Westerly said fence line to a stone bound at five hundred and forty-eight (548) feet; Westerly on said land of Sartelle as the rail fence and stone wall stood at said date and on a line in extension Southerly of the same to said stone bound fourteen hundred (1400) feet; Northeasterly by Sartelle Street six hundred and forty-six (646) feet; Easterly again by land now or formerly of Charles A. Dennen by a line running South 5° West one hundred and eighty-five (185) feet; and Northerly by said Dennen land by a line running South 87° East one hundred and seventy (170) feet to said Park Street. Estimated to contain twenty-seven and one fourth (27 1/4) acres of land.

Said land is shown on a plan drawn by L. P. Blood, dated January, 1899, a copy of which is filed with the certificate of title of said land. Said premises will be sold subject to a mortgage held by Leander F. Herrick, and to any taxes or similar lien thereon. Other terms at time and place of sale.

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

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of FREDERICK BRUCE late of Townsend in said County, deceased, Whereas RICHARD McELLIOTT the administrator with the will annexed of the estate of said deceased, has presented for filing in the Probate Court, or by publishing the account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-first 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 allowed.

Said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested one day and fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing post-paid a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

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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 situated 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 Northerly 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 73° East five hundred and sixty-six (566) feet to a stone bound by said Robbins land; thence South 77° East one hundred and sixty (160) feet to a stone bound; thence South 74° East four hundred and seventy-seven (477) feet to a stone bound; thence South 85 1/2° West two hundred and ninety-four (294) feet to a stone bound; thence South 64° West eleven hundred and thirty (1130) feet to a stone bound; thence South 69° West two hundred and eighty-two (282) feet to a stone bound; thence South 27° 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° West six hundred and sixty (660) feet to a stone bound; thence South 87° 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 8° West two hundred and seventy (270) feet to a stone bound; thence South 87 1/2° West ten hundred and forty-nine (1049) 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° West one hundred and two (102) feet to a stone bound by said Hollis Street; thence North 87° East ninety-eight (98) feet to a stone bound; thence North twenty (20) feet to a stone bound; thence North 89° East eight hundred and fifty-eight and one-half (858 1/2) feet to a stone bound; thence North 23° 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.

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PEPPERELL

Current Events.

Mrs. C. A. Willis, of Leominster, has been the guest of Rev. P. R. Stratton at the Methodist parsonage the past week, returning to her home on Thursday.

Dr. and Mrs. E. G. Hill, of Millis, made a short call at the home of George Prince, Woodside, on Monday. Mrs. Hill will be remembered as Miss Eva Morse, a former instructor of music in this town.

Mrs. J. J. Monteth, with her two children, have been visiting at her old home at West Newton.

Miss Corona Blaisdell, of Milford, visited her aunt, Mrs. E. A. Gilson, of Groton street, last week. Rev. P. R. Stratton was called to Ashburnham on Tuesday of this week to conduct the funeral services of a former parishioner. He returned home on Wednesday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Goff entertained Mr. and Mrs. Edwards, of Lynn, over Sunday, at their home on Pleasant street in New England.

The Young Men's club, of Dunstable, will hold a social dance at the town hall of that place on Friday evening, May 16.

Austen Richie, a former Pepperell boy, who has lately become a benedict, was in town last Saturday with his bride, calling on his many friends.

Exemplification of the Grand Lodge of Massachusetts, F. and A. M., was held in Masonic hall, Lowell, twelfth Masonic district, on Saturday, May 3, under the direction of Frederic L. Putnam, grand lecturer. Quite a number of the members of St. Paul lodge in this town attended. In the assignment of the work of the afternoon, this lodge was given the second and third sections, first degree.

The play at Oak Hill, which was to have been given on May 8, was postponed until the 15th, out of respect to the memory of the late Mrs. Jennie L. Williams.

Edward Duffee, formerly of this town, but lately of Putnam, Conn., has been a visitor at the home of John Frazier, Mill street, the past week. It is understood he has finished his work at Putnam, owing to the change of the administration.

Mr. and Mrs. Foss, who have been occupying the house at the corner of Main and High streets, will move into Mrs. Shattuck's house on the upper part of High street.

Mrs. Nelson Carrow has been visiting her son at Athol.

W. A. Kemp and F. R. Bennett left town the first of this week for Lake Winnepesaukee on a fishing trip, going by auto.

The case of Grenache vs. Boston and Maine railroad in the superior court at Lowell is attracting considerable attention, recalling as it does the tragic death of the brother of the plaintiff, the late Dr. Grenache, when he was thrown from an automobile under a passing freight train at Ayer. The plaintiff alleges that proper signals were not given for the street crossing.

F. E. Turner was badly shaken up on last Saturday evening by being thrown from his team on Hollis street. He encountered a motorcycle just below the residence of A. G. Pike, and the horse took fright and landed himself and driver over a stone wall. Considerable damage was done to the harness, but Mr. Turner fortunately escaped serious injury.

The May dance held on the evening of May 2, under the auspices of the Pepperell band was well patronized and about thirty-five dollars was added to their fund. These dances will be continued on Friday evenings at the Opera house under the same management.

Tuesday was claimed to be the hottest May 6 for forty-five years. The thermometer stood at ninety degrees in many places at noon.

The forest fire alarm was rung in just at six o'clock on Thursday night. It proved to be on land belonging to E. Tarbell, adjacent to the railroad, and probably caught from a spark from the cars. Not much damage was done, except the burning of some piles of wood belonging to Edward Flood.

O. M. Nash is assisting at the Champion card shop during the rush of work which necessitates a night force.

Frank Messer was obliged to have the old wound on his arm re-opened on last Sunday. It had become irritated by too much use, and pus had formed. He was relieved by the op-

eration and able to continue on his paper route.

Death.

Jennie Lawrence Williams, whose critical illness was noted in these columns recently, passed away at her home at Brooklyn, N. Y., on Saturday morning, May 3, aged 73 years and 11 months. Mrs. Williams was a native of Pepperell, the daughter of Luther and Thirza (Spaulding) Lawrence, and was one of a family of nine children. Her two brothers were Luther Lawrence and Charles Lawrence, the donor of the public library in town. Her sisters were Mrs. Thirza Blood, Mrs. Kate Bass, Mrs. Julia Endicott, Mrs. Isabella Blake and Mrs. Coralie Putnam. They have all passed on before her, leaving her the last of the family.

She was educated in the public schools of this town and attended the old Pepperell academy. Many of her classmates are still residents here.

She was married to Frank Williams about 1850, and since that time has resided in New York. Since the death of her brother, Charles Lawrence, she has spent much of the time during the summer months at her Oak Hill home.

Mrs. Williams was interested in everything that pertained to the welfare of this her native town, and gave toward all worthy objects very generously. Her influence and help will be much missed. She was a member of the D. A. H., and the Pepperell Woman's club.

Services were held at her late home in Brooklyn, N. Y., on Tuesday, and the remains were brought here on Thursday for interment in the family lot in the Pepperell cemetery. Rev. R. W. Drawbridge rendered the committal service at the grave and recited the touching poem, "Crossing the bar," in connection with the same. Many friends and relatives gathered by the side of the open grave, which is in a beautiful portion of the cemetery. The service was made even more beautiful by the profusion of rare and fragrant flowers, the monument near the grave being wound with smilax and roses.

News Items.

The Pepperell Woman's club presented the Boston Concert company in recital program Monday evening, May 19, at eight o'clock in Prescott hall. The following are the artists: Miss Mary H. Pumphrey, pianist; Miss Ruth Fielding, reader; Frank E. Kendrick, violinist; Frank Stanley Tower, cellist.

Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Adams took a carriage ride to Westboro on last Saturday to visit Mrs. Adams' sister, Mrs. Luther Butterfield.

The L. S. C. Alliance Branch of the Unitarian church will hold its annual meeting on Friday afternoon, May 16, at two o'clock, in the ladies' room. A full attendance is requested.

The music committee of the Pepperell Woman's club are arranging for a concert to be held in Prescott hall on Monday evening, May 19.

On Thursday evening, May 15, at 7.45, there will be an entertainment at the Congregational church vestry under the auspices of the L. S. C. This will be followed by a fortune telling lunch. The regular medical clinic will be held at 2.30 in the afternoon.

Within twelve years, every house but two on Main street, Pepperell, has changed owners. Many of the former residents reached a good many years beyond the allotted three score and ten. It is one of the most healthful places in New England.

Joseph Donnelly has bought a new Buick touring car of E. O. Proctor, Ayer.

Many friends of Rev. and Mrs. Drawbridge feel sorry that pastoral duty prevented them from going to Richmond, Va., to the National Reclamation Congress. Mr. Drawbridge is one of the village playground committee and has always been interested in this part of healthful development for children.

James Starr is testing for a water supply for Bank Village, N. H.

Hollis street has just been graded and is a great improvement.

On Thursday, Miss Hattie Kendall and her husband went to Mrs. Emily Jewett's of Hollis, N. H., for a visit.

Russell Shattuck, of Worcester, spent the week-end with his parents on Oak Hill.

Mr. and Mrs. Earle Mention, of Fitchburg, are spending a few weeks on Oak Hill.

Henry E. Frost, night supervisor of the hospital, Waverley, is enjoying a two-weeks' vacation with his family on Sheffield street.

Ernest Keith is seen about town with a new Metz motorcycle.

Miss Carrie Shattuck, of Salem Normal school, is visiting at her home on Sheffield street.

On Thursday morning, as Burpee Keith was driving his daughter to school, he stopped at Rev. Drawbridge's house on an errand, the girl saying she could hold the strong young colt. When the colt found no firm hand on the reins he started to run, and then became scared, turned the corner at the town house, broke the harness and throwing the girl on the green, cutting her head and face. She was taken to Dr. Merrill's. The frantic horse with two forward wheels dashed across the street, down the sidewalk and turned into the Warren. The wagon and throwing the closed barn door with force enough to push the door from its fastening at the bottom. Arthur Carter quieted the horse until Mr. Keith came.

The oldest son of Frank Ryan, of Oak Hill, while playing with other children, fell into a brook and cut his head badly against some rocks, necessitating the use of stitches to close wound.

The officers of the different branches of ladies' work connected with the three churches met at Central hall on Thursday afternoon to see if it was possible to arrange certain dates in each month for suppers and other financial enterprises. The different officers chose a committee who will try to arbitrate and elucidate a plan so that people who would attend at each date do so, and thus add to the general friendliness.

Hurrah for Pepperell! Where is the town of its size that can beat it? Nine couples getting ready to be married this early summer.

Miss Helen M. Robbins closed her season's dancing school with a private costume party on Monday evening, May 5, at Odd Fellows' banquet hall. The hall was very prettily decorated for the occasion with the spring colors, pink, green and yellow, together with bouquet of apple blossoms, chrysanthemums and roses. The grand march at 8.15 was led by Gerry cutting Miss Doris Butler. During the intermission ice cream and fancy crackers were served. The features of the evening was two vocal solos by Miss Freida Waite. About thirty-six couples attended and as the strains of the last waltz ended the merry party

all left for their homes after spending a pleasant evening.

On Sunday morning at the Congregational church, Rev. R. W. Drawbridge will preach at 10.15. Sunday school at 12.15. At six o'clock, Rev. W. Drawbridge will preach to the young people. At seven o'clock will be held a song service and short sermon by the pastor. Regular Tuesday evening prayer meeting on May 14, at 7 o'clock. Subject, "A song of how God speaks to men."

Warm weather is coming. Let Murry have your order for crutches and home-spuns in gentlemen's suitings. Will be at the New Prescott hotel on Thursday afternoons.

Center.

On Monday, May 5, there was a son born to Mr. and Mrs. Rupert Blood, Oak Hill.

Rev. L. E. Elberfeld, who recently moved from the city to Peterboro, N. H., was in town on Wednesday to take home his horse over the road.

Miss Ethel Wells returned to work on last Sunday after spending a week's vacation at home with her aunt, Mrs. Winn. of Hovey Corner.

Rev. D. R. Child is away this week attending the Play congress in Richmond, Va., but owing to the death of Mrs. J. L. Williams, Rev. and Mrs. Drawbridge were detained at home.

Raymond Paull spent the week-end at home with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. R. Paull.

Electric lights have been installed in the Dr. Fletcher place on Main street the past week, the work being done by Edward Johnson.

Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Henderson are at present at their new summer home, the Nelson place, in the coon tree district.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Toth, who have been living with Dr. Howe on Park street, have moved into the cottage on the land of the Mould Shoe Company, East Village, where Mr. Toth works.

The Ladies' Social circle of the Unitarian church entertained the officers of the Methodist and Congregational church Ladies' circles on Thursday afternoon in Central hall.

Henry Woodworth, of Hovey's Corner, will be the speaker for the summer at Lake Sunapee, N. H.

W. A. Willoughby is at present at the Joshua Blood place on Park street, that he has purchased and getting ready for occupancy.

The high school baseball team played two games the past week. On Saturday they defeated the Littleton high school team by the score of 11 to 2, but on Wednesday, the team was defeated by Townsend high by a score of 9 to 0.

Miss Carrie Shattuck has been home, having a vacation from the Salem Normal School, which she is attending.

Miss Barbara Bancroft has been home all this week at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. G. Dana Bancroft.

Methodist.

Mothers' day will be observed at the Methodist church on Sunday, and Rev. P. R. Stratton will take for his subject "The mothers of the new testament." The mothers of the new testament are specially invited to attend this service. The white carnation is supposed to be worn on that day as a token of purity, and in honor of those who have children.

The pastor will prepare a special Sunday school lesson for all mothers who remain during the noon hour, and will teach the mothers' class, and all mothers, whether they have children in the Sunday school or not, are urged to bring their children, and, if possible, to bring them during the Sunday school hour.

At seven in the evening, the recently elected officers of the Epworth League will be installed by the pastor, May 11, in Whitsunday, and the subject of the evening sermon will be "The meaning of the ancient church festival, Whitsunday."

The bright hour service of the Epworth League will be held at six o'clock, "Jesus' doctrine of his own person." Leader, Mrs. Mary A. Cuthbertson.

The prayer service for the spring-time seed sowing will be held on Tuesday evening at 7.30 o'clock. The students of the high school teachers and workers come at 8.30.

The first quarterly conference will be held on Sunday evening, May 18, at eight o'clock.

To the Editor:

In your issue of May 3, under an article dealing with the Federation of Churches in Pepperell, I am surprised to see this statement: "Eighty years since the meetinghouse held practically all of the church-going people in town, and seldom of a Sabbath morning have 275 persons sat in any one church here."

I wonder, Mr. Editor, if your correspondent knows or has ever heard that there is another church in Pepperell—St. Joseph's Roman catholic church, on Tarbell street, which has an attendance on every Sunday morning so large in numbers that it is one of the largest in the town, and one at 10.30, with an average attendance from 500 to 600 at both services?

On reading your paper it seems strange that any one living in Pepperell could make any such statement. It is a pity that any one writing for a paper would want to send any such wrong statements broad-cast throughout our neighboring towns. What must our neighbors think of the religious conditions here, if it is any such thing that they could have an unfavorable reputation—a town of 3000 population, and only 275 church-going people?

From the best figures obtainable, the catholic population of Pepperell is from 1000 to 1100, about one-third of the total population of the town, and there is very seldom a Sunday that more than one-half of that number does not attend the morning services at St. Joseph's church.

Trust, Mr. Editor, you will find space in your paper for this communication, that it may correct a wrong impression which your many readers may have of the religious conditions in Pepperell. A Catholic.

TOWNSEND.

Harbor.

Mrs. Lizzie Willey, sister of Mrs. A. D. Cooper, died at the home of the latter on Thursday morning from heart disease.

The members of the Washington party reached home on last Sunday with the exception of Miss Myrtle Gray, who came from New York by way of New Haven, where she visited relatives for several days. Miss Gray arrived home on Wednesday evening and reports a delightful trip.

On Tuesday afternoon, the As You Like It club held its last meeting of the season with Mrs. Cummings, Esq. Miss Myrtle Gray, who had just returned from Washington, and Miss Hester Burdett, who is sojourning in Brooklyn, nearly all the members were present. A feature of the afternoon was a letter from Miss Burdett to the club, read by the secretary.

Miss Mary Adams. Cards illustrating the sketch, "A bachelor's dream," accompanied the letter and were distributed among the members. After the serving of refreshments, the club adjourned until September 16.

About fifty attended the entertainment and social given by the Townsend and Harbor Social club at Harbor hall on May 2. A pleasing program was presented, including in part, vocal selections by Miss Mildred Morgan, Gilman Conant and Harold Gray, and a duet by Misses Rieksa and Morgan. The sketch, "A bachelor's dream," given under the direction of Mrs. Jesselyn, was enthusiastically received. After the entertainment, cards, dancing and dancing were in order. The candy booth was cleared early in the evening and netted a neat sum. From the refreshment booth, ice cream and cake were served without charge.

On Thursday, May 15, there will be a sale, supper and entertainment at Harbor hall under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society. The sale begins at three o'clock; supper at 6.30, ten cents; entertainment at eight, fifteen cents. The program of the latter includes singing by Miss Mildred Morgan, Gilman Conant and a male quartet, a quadrille by eight young ladies, and the two-act comedy, "The rebellion of Mrs. Barclay."

West.

Frank Wilkinson has returned to his home in Detroit, stopping in Boston on a business trip on his way West, and Mrs. Ellen Foster, who made her home with her mother, has gone to Ashby with her brother.

Mrs. Ellen Foster, who has been living with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. John Wilkinson, has closed the house on the Fitchburg road and is at present with her brother, Lewis Wilkinson, of Ashby.

Miss Agnes Thompson has been assisting Mrs. Fred A. Patch in the post-office this week.

Mrs. Mary Brown, who has been spending the winter with relatives in Boston, has returned to her home on the Fitchburg road and is at present with her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Thompson.

A business meeting of the Y. P. S. E. was held at the home of Miss Alice Seaver on Wednesday evening. Owing to the absence of both president and vice president, H. B. Hathaway, president of the Nashua River Union, was elected. The business of the month was transacted. The names of W. W. Webster, Estella Tucker and John Eldredge were accepted as members upon signing the constitution. Sixteen were present and the meeting was followed by a brief social.

Miss Ruth Hayden will assist at the reading-room on Saturdays during the absence of Miss Lena Thompson, who commenced teaching in Franklin last week.

Mr. and Mrs. John Powers and family spent Sunday with relatives in New Ipswich.

The L. B. B. held their annual election of officers at the all-day session which was held in the Baptist vestries on Wednesday as follows: Mrs. Ellen Pratt, pres.; Mrs. Justin C. Hodgman, v. p.; Mrs. Josephine Boynton, sec.; Mrs. Herman W. Lawrence, treas.; Mrs. Albert H. Wilson, Mrs. Josephine Boynton, Mrs. S. D. Ringrose, Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence and Mrs. Herman W. Lawrence, board of dir. Dinner was served at noon to about twenty.

Miss Emma Adams has returned from her visit at Providence, R. I., enjoying an auto trip from Providence to her home here on Sunday, in company with her brother, Albert Adams, and Mr. and Mrs. E. R. Brayton and son.

Mrs. Steele and son Ernest, who have been boarding at W. E. Wilder's at the Center, are stopping for the present with Mr. and Mrs. F. G. Smith.

Mrs. LITTLE Nickerson has gone to Townsend Center, where she is caring for a case of illness, and Mrs. Aspinwall is assisting in caring for D. O. Evans, who is still very ill with heart trouble.

Death.

Mrs. John Wilkinson, aged seventy-six years, passed away at her home on the Fitchburg road, Friday, May 2, after a long illness of pneumonia and bronchial troubles. Surviving her husband by only seven weeks, she leaves two sons—Frank Wilkinson of Detroit and Lewis Wilkinson of Ashby, and two daughters, Mrs. Ellen Foster of this village and Mrs. Athos Elliott, of East Weare, N. H., and several grandchildren and great-grandchildren.

Funeral services were held at her late home Tuesday morning. Elder Haskell of the advent church of Lancaster and a friend of fifty years standing, preaching an appropriate and touching sermon, followed by a brief eulogy by Rev. S. D. Ringrose, pastor of the Baptist church here. The hymns, "A deep in Jesus" and "Shall we meet," were given by a quartet composed of Mrs. E. J. Lees, Miss Emma Adams, Perry W. Sawtelle and Clarence E. Streeter. A procession of beautiful flowers testified to the love and sympathy of friends and relatives. The burial was in the family lot in New Ipswich, N. H., and the bearers were her two sons and Athos Elliott, of East Weare, N. H., and Clifford Wilkinson of Ashby.

Thomas has been a resident of this village for the past thirteen years and although ill health prevented her mingling with the village people to a great extent, she was well loved by all who knew her for her christian character and kindly disposition. She was a member of the Seventh Day Advent church in South Lancaster, a devoted christian woman, loyal and kind to her children and family and one of whom it may be appropriately sung, "Asleep in Jesus, blessed sleep."

WESTFORD.

Forge Village.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fisher, of Lowell, spent Sunday at their camp, The Birches.

Charles Coburn, of Providence, R. I., was a recent visitor at the home of his grandmother, Mrs. Mary Coburn.

Mrs. Winnie Patrie is at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Centrebar.

Mr. and Mrs. Stephen Healy are entertaining Mrs. Emerson, of Dedham, and her daughter, Mrs. John Downing, of Boston.

Little Edward Mountain is still very ill at the home of his parents.

Miss Eva Fyne spent Sunday as the guest of Mrs. B. Guyer, of Savin Hill, Dorchester.

William Davis is ill with tonsillitis.

Mrs. Joseph Proctor and two children, and her sister, of Keighley, Eng., arrived here on Monday. They will make their home with the family in what was formerly the Normington homestead on Central street.

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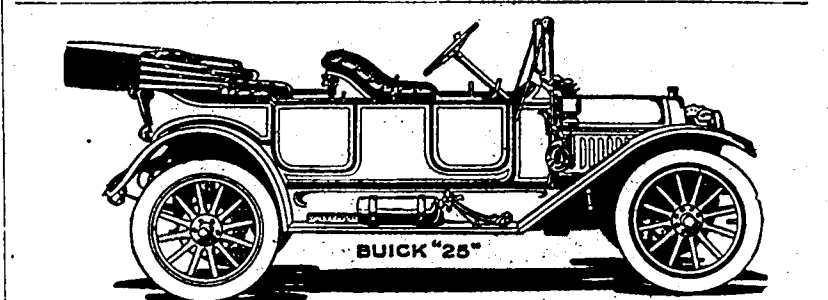
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A brush fire at Gilson's crossing burned over several acres of woodland on Friday. The section men of the Boston and Maine railroad, and Harry Nesmith, the fire warden, together with other willing workers, controlled it.

Services will be held at St. Andrew's mission every Sunday at 9.30 in the morning.

Wedding.

A pretty wedding took place at St. Andrew's mission on last Wednesday which was of unusual interest in that the bride is a very popular young lady of the village, and also a member of the mission choir. Miss Rachael Cherry and Percy Hargreaves, of Beverly, were the contracting parties, and the ceremony was performed by Rev. Williston M. Ford. The bride was daintily gowned in white chiffon over white satin, and wore a white hat. She carried a bouquet of white sweet peas. She was attended by her sister, Miss Annie Cherry, who also wore white and carried a bouquet of Marguerites. Dr. Craven, of Beverly, acted as best man.

Immediately after the ceremony, a reception was held at the home of the bride's grandmother, Mrs. W. A. Lowther, the immediate family alone being present.

Early in the afternoon, the happy couple left on a brief wedding tour, and on their return will be at home to friends on Mason street. Beverly. Mr. and Mrs. Hargreaves have the best wishes of a host of friends in their new life.

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