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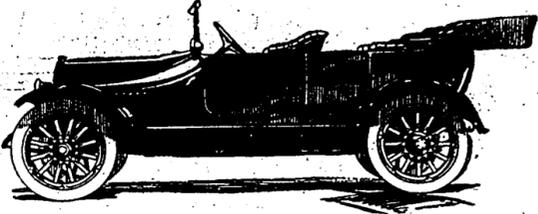
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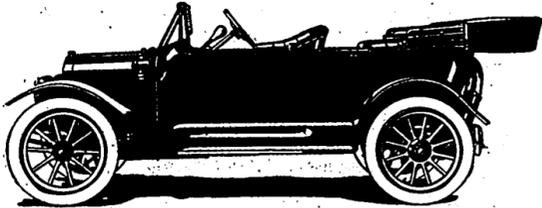
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About Town.

Miss Olive Clement has returned from Ormand Beach, Fla., where she spent a very pleasant winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Clement and Miss Ida Clement were at home for the week-end.

Mrs. George A. Ladd and Mrs. Fred Muzzey were in Concord last week attending the W. R. C. convention. On account of the stormy weather others who were planning on going were obliged to give it up.

Hillsborough County Sunday School convention was held in Hollis on April 22. From out-of-town were Rev. J. E. Gilman, Mrs. F. A. Ober, Mrs. E. M. Leslie, Rev. S. S. Huse, Mrs. G. W. Hendricks, Rev. William H. Morrison. A fine dinner was served at noon in charge of Mrs. Mary Powers. The different subjects discussed were very interesting and a great many helpful points received for the Sunday school workers to accept.

George Keyes went to Littlefield on Sunday to see about the old Keyes homestead which was completely destroyed by fire last week.

Among those who were in town for Sunday and Monday were William Woodin, Harry Strong, Miss Sallie Bell, Edgar Patch and wife, Mrs. Imogene Nichols and Myron D. Smith, of Boston.

Fred G. Muzzey's residence on Long Hill is being painted by William T. MacMaster.

Mrs. John W. Bourlet, Jr., of Concord, spent a few days recently as the guest of her brother, Charles W. Smith.

Myron D. Smith, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles W. Smith, who has been in the employ of the Newton Trust Company for the past year and a half, has resigned his position with the Commonwealth Trust Company in Boston and commenced his new duties on April 15.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred L. Nelson, from Watertown, Mass., spent Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. George E. Muzzey.

C. A. Colburn has purchased a new horse; a horse purchased by him a short time ago has been sick, but is gaining somewhat now.

Grange.

A large number attended the working of the fourth degree at the grange on Tuesday evening; also, the harvest feast, and the entertainment given by the ladies which was in charge of Mrs. Ralph Herrick and Mrs. Harold Hardy. A farce entitled "A case for Sherlock Holmes" was given by several young ladies; also, recitations by Mrs. Ralph Herrick and Mrs. Archie Colburn, song by Grace P. Smith, piano solo by Mrs. Florence Ladd, and an essay on "How can the farm home be made the happiest spot on earth" by Mrs. Mary Powers. The judges are to meet and decide before the next meeting who gave the best entertainment, the ladies or the gentlemen. Guests were present from Pepperell, Brookline, Nashua, Amherst and Mason and Concord.

The entire evening was enjoyed by all and after the fourth degree was conferred a bountiful supper was partaken of which was in charge of Mrs. Hattie Hardy and Mrs. Coleman. The young men in the grange very kindly donated fruit for the tables.

BOXBOROUGH.

News Items.

A little daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Nelson on Friday, April 17.

Mr. and Mrs. Hemingway who have spent the winter at Littlefield farm, returned to their home in Framingham on Wednesday. Mrs. Albert Littlefield went with them for a week.

Leo Cunningham was taken to a hospital in Boston to be operated upon for appendicitis early in the week and Ed. Braham went to the Clinton hospital on Wednesday for the same operation. At last reports both young men were doing well.

At the special town meeting held last Saturday evening the town voted for the third time not to purchase a sprayer.

All the schools have been closed this week. Miss Sparrow spent the time at North Adams, Miss Dill went to her home in South Braintree, Miss Taylor went to Maynard, and Miss Hilton remained here.

Mrs. Frank Davidson and children, of Lincoln, are at Wm. Withington's. Mrs. Porter entertained Jennie Lovelace and friend from Waltham over Sunday. Mrs. C. T. Wetherbee had as guests Daniel Wetherbee, Arthur Lighton and Grace Neudeck, of Worcester, and Mr. and Mrs. S. M. Wetherbee, of Silver Hill.

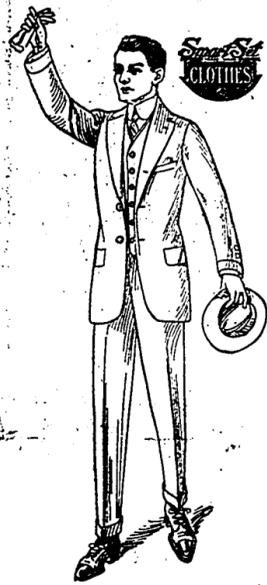
A fire in the woods near Mrs. Bertha Shattuck's house, supposed to have been started by a spark from an engine, gained considerable headway and the fire apparatus was called out on Wednesday afternoon.

Congratulations to Mr. and Mrs. Pierra on the advent of another little daughter.

Mr. and Mrs. C. B. Robbins returned to their home this week, having spent the winter with Mrs. Priest.

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Saturday, April 25, 1914.

WESTFORD.

Center. Arthur E. Day is enjoying a new Ford automobile for himself and family.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry M. Wright and son Livingston are renewing Westford association after many months of foreign travel.

J. Herbert Fletcher is driving a fine new young horse.

At the evening service at the Congregational church last Sunday interesting reports were given from the conference of churches at Littleton during the week. Inadvertently we omitted the names of Mr. and Mrs. Charles D. Colburn last week in the list of those in attendance from Westford.

The holiday had no special observance in town, but flags were in evidence through the village and many families entertained guests for two days. The sunset guns at Lexington were plainly heard.

Wesley Hawkes, of Melrose, visited his cousin, Miss Hazel Hartford, from Friday until over the holiday.

The Fred A. Hildreths, of Malden, were Sunday and Monday guests in town.

Mr. and Mrs. George Cameron and Mr. and Mrs. Charles Clark were auto guests of Mr. and Mrs. A. H. Sutherland on Sunday.

Alfred and Bertram Sutherland, Morton Seavey and Charles Miller went to Concord on Monday, making the trip with their bicycles.

Mrs. H. W. Church, of Bridgewater, and Mrs. Alden Paine, of Providence, R. I., are visiting their niece, Mrs. L. W. Wheeler.

On next Friday morning at 10.30, at the town hall, the pupils of the Frost school will give a May day program of songs, recitations, etc., and an exhibition of baskets, sewing and drawing. All parents and friends of the children are cordially and earnestly invited to be present. Some of the work of the basketry class will be on sale.

Tadmuck Club. The last working program for the season of the Tadmuck club was held in Library hall on Tuesday afternoon. David Hickey, of the committee on pure food, New York, was the speaker of the afternoon and gave a most practical and enlightening address of interest to all, but especially so to the housewife. He clearly defined food adulterants in two classes, those affecting the health and those affecting the pocketbook. Some of Mr. Hickey's explanations of labels on package foods were both amusing and instructive.

At the business session the following officers were elected: Mrs. Herbert V. Hildreth, pres.; Miss Clara Smith, v. p.; Mrs. W. R. Taylor, cor. sec.; Mrs. L. W. Wheeler, rec. sec.; Miss Edith A. Wright, treas.

Miss Sarah W. Loker, who has been the club's happy and unanimous choice for president since its organization in the season of 1905-06, felt that she wished to be relieved and had given her resignation to the nominating committee.

Miss Loker's leadership of the club's affairs is too well-known and appreciated to need enlarging upon. Her gracious teaching and efficient presiding have been a large factor in the club's development and the high standard its membership enjoys. As a token of the love and appreciation of all it was voted that Miss Loker's name appear on all succeeding programs as honorary president, said office to be relieved from all care and responsibility. Miss Loker earnestly thanked the members for this expression of very genuine appreciation.

The club is its very unanimous choice of Mrs. H. V. Hildreth to succeed Miss Loker as president. Mrs. Hildreth, in a graceful little speech expressed her appreciation of the members' confidence and bespoke the hearty cooperation of all for a successful year.

Following is a list of the recently appointed department leaders as required of a federated club:

Mrs. Vincent Ray, Mrs. Elliot Hamiston, art; Mrs. Crocker, Mrs. George Walker, civics; Mrs. Florence Wilson, Miss Ida E. Leighton, civil service reform; Mrs. Hammett, W. H. Fisher, Harry Fletcher, conservation; Mrs. Cyril A. Blaney, Mrs. Edwin Amesbury, education; Mrs. S. L. Taylor, Mrs. Joseph E. Knight, household economies; Mrs. E. Langley, Mrs. Alfred Hartford, industrial and social conditions; Miss Clara A. Fisher, Mrs. Charles Hildreth, legislation; Mrs. W. C. Roubenush, Mrs. Harold W. Hildreth, literature and library extension; Mrs. Sebastian Watson, Miss Gertrude Fletcher, music; Mrs. O. V. Wells, Mrs. Edward Fisher, public health.

Further notice of the closing social will be given next week.

About Town. S. S. Singens, a student at the Meadville school, conducted the service at the Unitarian church last Sunday and gave a helpful sermon on "Looking on the bright side of daily life."

Charles Albright has moved from the Whitney cottage on East Lowell road to the Heywood and Birbeck cottage at Westford station, and Joseph Sears has vacated and become a part of the residential section of Forge Village.

The Darpey family have moved from Brookside to the Whitney cottage west of Brookside on the Lowell road.

The old Stony Brook schoolhouse that has sheltered so much frolic, where conduct and knowledge have left their mark, likewise the birch rod, where memory recalls the olden days of the district school, men grown boys and lady-grown girls, acting teacher measured by the rule of the oak ferule and measuring the scholar by the same rule, is to be sold at public auction this afternoon at two o'clock.

At the village church in West Chelmsford on last week Wednesday evening "An English tea party" was given under the charge of Mrs. George Billson. Mrs. Thomas Brown was commissary and supplied those who were lacking in food and both were marked high up in efficiency. Miss Bernice Brown was heard in violin solos and then heard some more. Miss Evelyn Spaulding gave a reading;

Miss Etta Phillips, of Robins' hill, of the Unitarian church's choir, Chelmsford, sang several solos; Mr. Carr, of Lowell, closed in with whistling solos. Mrs. Thomas Brown, Mrs. Charles Byard, Mrs. F. E. Bickford, Mrs. Herbert Baum, Mrs. Jane Reid were the props that held this entertainment up. Westford, Graniterville, Chelmsford Center, North Chelmsford, Lowell, Brookside and Oak Hill were some of the many that looked on their allowance.

The Prairie farm caught fire last week, but owing to dampness and other impediments it was only half an acre of success.

The next meeting of Middlesex North Pomona grange and the last until autumn will be held on Friday, May 1, at Odd Fellows hall, Bridge street, Lowell. The morning session will be devoted to the discussion of the question "Is it advisable to keep our boys and girls on the farm? If so, what are the best methods to induce them to stay?" In the afternoon Supt. Redmond Welch, of the Lowell police force, will speak along the lines of police work. Mr. Welch is a native of Westford, Chamberlin's Corner. He is an efficient officer and clever in capture and address. This will be followed by an address on Japan, by an unannounced speaker, followed by a Japanese tea garden. Carlisle grange will furnish music and Tyngsboro grange the dinner.

Deputy J. R. Conroy, of Bedford, inspected Westford grange last week Thursday evening at the time of working the third and fourth degrees. The ladies' degree team did noble service for the cause of the grange principles in working the third degree. Deputy Conroy included to them with fervor and favor in his score card of points. The regular officers of the grange were questioned and cross-questioned as to their knowledge of the requirements of grange work. He found the officers efficient and prompt in answers. At the lecturer's hour Miss Lillian and Beatrice Sutherland sang in duet to key and time. Visitors were present from Chelmsford and responded in brief appreciation of the occasion. Supper was served in the lower hall with satisfactory results to the appetites and was in charge of Mr. and Mrs. J. Henry Colburn.

The Westford Athletic association, so efficient with the bat and ball, changed base last week Friday evening and made many a home run and all for fun as they appeared on the stage as a minstrel show at the town hall, 200 people occupying the immoveable seats. After the show the Crescent orchestra played to the movement of feet in duet action. About forty-five dollars was cleared for baseball purposes for 1914.

Letters have been received at the Old Oaken Bucket farm from Mr. and Mrs. George Howard and George Taylor Howard who are now in President Wilson's own native state.

The state barn inspector has been present in town and acting as an information bureau of advice in which capacity the spoken word and the written advice on the certificate of inspection seems to disagree. At the Old Oaken Bucket farm: "Where do you strain your milk?" Answer: "In the barn." "Well you will henceforth strain the milk outdoors." On the certificate of inspection it reads: "Strain the milk in the barn."

Forge Village. Miss Eva F. Pyne spent the holidays with her relatives in Manchester, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. James Kelley have moved into the house recently vacated by Mrs. Matilda Harmon.

Miss Alice L. Prescott has purchased half of a double house on Pine street from George O. Jackson. Her partner on the other half, Mr. Jackson purchased the place eight years ago and since that time it has always been in the possession of the Prescott family. It was built eighty-four years ago.

On last Sunday afternoon special exercises were held at St. Andrew's mission for the Sunday school children. The mite boxes were collected and potted plants were distributed.

Mr. and Mrs. Noble Rutter are to remove soon to Worcester's corner, Graniterville.

Cameron school closed on Monday, it being Patriots' day. The mills also closed and the village people took advantage of the day and cleaned up their premises.

The Cameron school baseball team played the A. W. C. on the holiday and won by a score of 11 to 2.

The Misses Lillian and Carmel Rose spent the holidays at the home of their grandmother, Mrs. Elizabeth Spalin.

Mr. and Mrs. R. D. Prescott are entertaining their niece, Miss Emma Holt in their home.

Mr. and Mrs. George Mussey and daughter Charlotte spent a short time here on the holiday.

Mr. and Mrs. George Goode, Miss Grace Littlefield and Miss Mary Raynes have opened up their camps for the season.

Graniterville. Miss Martha Lorman, of Lowell, has been a recent guest of Miss Belle Carpenter.

Comrad Richard has recently opened a new meat market and general grocery store on Broadway, opposite the postoffice.

Harold Hanning, the fourteen-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Elisha Hanning, was taken to a Lowell hospital on Wednesday suffering with an attack of spinal meningitis.

Leo Froves, the twelve-year-old son of Mr. and Mrs. Henry Provost, was taken ill last week Friday and Dr. W. H. Sherman, the attending physician, advised a consultation. Dr. McKeen, of Lowell, was called in and with Dr. Sherman decided it was a case of appendicitis and recommended an operation. Dr. Sherman took Leo over the road in his auto to St. John's hospital, Lowell, on last week Friday night and the patient was operated upon on Saturday morning. The operation was successful in every way and Leo is now resting as comfortably as can be expected.

Mrs. Frank L. Furbush is ill at her home.

A daughter was born to Mr. and Mrs. Fred Defoe on Saturday, April 18.

John Horan, of Charlestown, has been a recent visitor here.

Many from here attended the drama, "Among the breakers," given by the members of Westford grange in the town hall on Friday evening. Mr. Hill had general charge of this affair.

Wedding. A very pretty wedding took place at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John M. Hill on last Saturday afternoon at six o'clock, when their daughter, Engla Regina, was united in marriage to Elmer Pierce Hersey of Dorchester. Rev. A. Earle Kernahan, pastor of the M. E. church here, was the officiating clergyman. As the bridal party entered the parlor the sweet strains of Mendelssohn's march was played with fine effect by Miss Mattie Binchard and at the conclusion of the service the bride chorus from Lohengrin was given. The bride was given away by her father, Little Harold Jones, nephew of the bride, was the ring bearer.

The bridesmaid was Miss Lillian Martin, sister of the bride, and the best man was William Hersey, of Medford, brother of the bridegroom.

The bride was beautifully gowned in white silk with an overskirt of lace. She wore a veil and carried a large bouquet of white bridal roses. The bridesmaid's costume was of pink silk with an overskirt of gray velvet and she carried a shower bouquet of

pink roses. The bride's travelling costume was of blue chiffon broadcloth. After the ceremony had been performed a short reception was held. At seven o'clock dinner was served and was attended by the wedding party, the members of the family and a few intimate friends. The bride and bridegroom were the recipients of many beautiful presents, including gifts of gold, silver and cut glass.

Miss Hersey left here in the early evening, the bride party accompanying them to Lowell where they took a Boston train for a brief honeymoon trip among the scenic spots that was liberally supplied by loving friends. Upon their return Mr. and Mrs. Hersey will take up their residence in Dorchester where they will start in on their new life with the best wishes of a wide circle of friends.

LUNENBURG.

News Items. Rev. and Mrs. Robert A. Bryant, accompanied by eight members of the C. E. and Junior society, attended the 25th annual convention at Worcester on Monday and were very much interested in all the exercises and lectures.

Miss M. E. Clark of Hanson, a former parishioner of Rev. R. A. Bryant, during his eight years' pastorate there, is visiting them at the parsonage here.

A large audience attended the entertainment by the schools in aid of the Victoria fund at the town hall on Friday evening. Ice cream and cake were on sale during the evening and promenading to Victrola music filled out the program. The schools realized over \$100.00 for the fund.

Myron Harvey of this town has been appointed fish and game commissioner.

Miss Mabel Allen gave a talk on Mexico before the W. W. club of the high school. As Miss Allen has spent some time in that country she knows whereof she speaks.

A little daughter came April 17 to make her home with Mr. and Mrs. O. Scott. Mother and baby are doing finely. The little one has been christened Natalie.

The Ladies' Aid society of the Methodist church held its annual meeting and election of officers on Wednesday, April 15, at the town hall. The result: Mrs. John T. Kinney, pres.; Mrs. D. Martin, vice-pres.; Miss Esther Dudley, sec. and treas.; Mrs. Sarah M. Harrington, reading; Mrs. Alfred G. Nash, press com.; Mrs. W. R. Peabody and Mrs. Arthur W. Adams, entertainment com. Dinner was served at noon, which was liberally patronized.

E. D. Martin met with a very severe accident on Tuesday. While engaged in moving a load of furniture on which he was riding through the streets, Fitchburg the horse became frightened and jumped and started to run, throwing Mr. Martin to the ground, the wagon passing over him and breaking both bones in his left leg, short off. It is considered a very bad break and is particularly unfortunate as the time of the year when all farmers are very busy getting their spring work started.

The spraying institute on Saturday by the State Board of Agriculture drew a large crowd. Nearly one hundred were present in the forenoon and in the afternoon the number was greatly increased. Large numbers of fruit growers from all over the county came on the subject, "Fruit growing in Massachusetts," was one in which all were greatly interested. The proper mode of spraying for nearly every kind of orchard pest was well illustrated in the forenoon in E. S. Marshall's orchard.

There were five entries in the contest for the prizes offered by the Orange-H. L. Frost of Arlington, John E. Grubb of Fitchburg, Hiram A. Hiram R. Houghton and Lewis L. Harrington of Lunenburg. The judges were Charles C. Warren, Master Alden Derby of Leominster and Irving A. Seaver of Townsend. The first prize of three dollars was awarded to Mr. Grubb and the second of two dollars to John Hardy of Arlington, who took Mr. Frost's place. There were no entries for the straightaway contest, but tree warden James Gilchrist gave a demonstration with the power sprayer furnished by the state and threw a stream over the tall elms and maples along the roadside.

Annual Meeting. The Lunenburg Memorial association held its annual meeting and election of officers on Saturday evening and Clayton E. Stone was elected pres.; John G. Gilchrist, v. p.; Edna E. Adams, sec.; Mrs. Myrtle V. Moulton, treas. Mrs. W. B. Hayward was chosen chairman of the collection committee. Edna E. Adams and Mrs. Henry Park were for the floral. The Daughters and Sons of Veterans in town for decorating Sunday, May 24, and Rev. Robert A. Bryant will deliver the address. The Lunenburg Brass band has been engaged to furnish the music on Memorial day, owing to the difficulty in securing teams for transporting the children auto trucks have been engaged.

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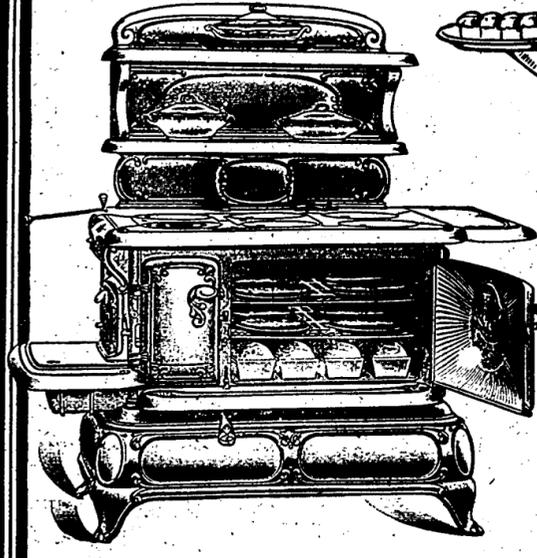
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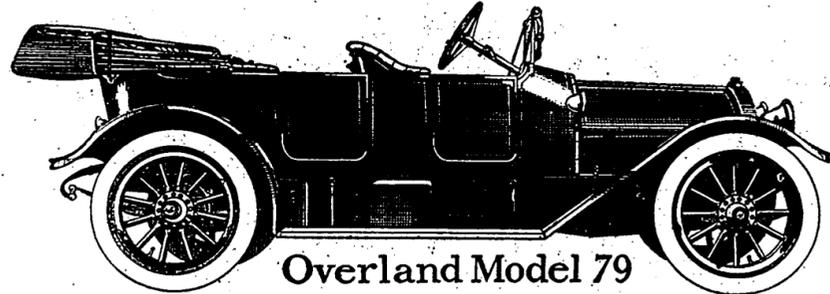
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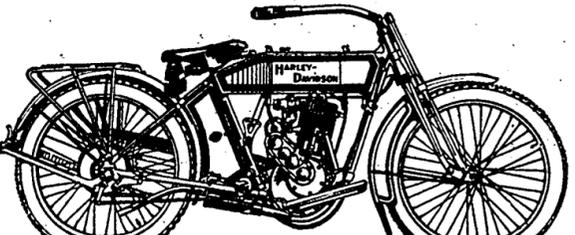
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Saturday, April 25, 1914.

GROTON.

News Items.

Mrs. Nesbit L. Woods very kindly drove over to Groton last Saturday night taking the following seven Groton Camp-fire Girls: Helen Gay, Florence Green, Ruth Gleason, Elizabeth Blood, Ruth McMahon, Dorothy Tyrrell and Beatrice Woods. They enjoyed the entertainment and all report that Miss Nellie Frank Hill's talk was just fine. Miss Hill is much interested in the Boy Scout and Camp-fire Girl movement and goes all around talking to acquaintances of different places and increasing the interest of people in these movements. The larlat demonstration by Mr. Holman and little daughter, who came from Pepperell, was very skilful and quite wonderful. Among those present was Mr. John Lawrence and some from Groton School.

The weather was unfavorable and there was not so large an attendance at the concert on Monday night as there should have been. But the grand musical treat is the verdict of all who heard and enjoyed the playing of Stanley Tower upon the violin and Miss Pamphrey upon the piano, both master artists of superior talent and training. The Landmark joins in praise of these musicians and prophesies with The Berkshire Courier and other papers: "I venture to predict that the years will not be many ere Mr. Tower stands at the summit of the cello players in America."

Major M. P. Palmer attended last Sunday the funeral of his sister, Mrs. Elizabeth Hale Wallingford, at her home in Groveland where she died on Friday, April 17, at the age of ninety years. She had passed a very long and useful life and was greatly beloved and respected by the very large attendance of friends and the great profusion of flowers bore testimony.

Major Palmer was accompanied by his daughter, Mrs. Charles Kimball, of Littleton. The death of this sister leaves Mr. Palmer the last remaining of his parents' family of five children.

Lawyer Perle P. Fallon, of New York, came home on Saturday after his attendance at the Clark college Alumni banquet at Worcester last week Friday night, leaving town again on Sunday afternoon.

After a visit with relatives in Newton, Center, Miss Annie L. Gilson plans to return to Groton soon for the summer. She will live with Mrs. Susan Wright, of Hollis street, who is to be her housekeeper.

James W. Wilson, auctioneer, will sell by auction on Wednesday afternoon, April 22, at 1 o'clock, a lot of real estate, part of the property of Lawrence Brooks.

The body of Joseph Freemont Small was brought from Portsmouth, N. H., on Tuesday, April 21, for burial in the Groton cemetery. Mr. Small married Miss Grace Culver, formerly of Groton, who was well known here. The news of his death is a great shock to all her friends who held Mr. Small in high esteem. His age was 57 years, 5 mos. and 18 days and he died from meningitis. Interment was in the Culver lot in Groton cemetery.

The Groton School played Worcester North high on Wednesday afternoon and beat them 17 to 4.

John H. Woodcock of Nashua is visiting his son, Geo. S. Woodcock, on Chicopee road.

Charles P. McKean is taking in Concord and vicinity this week.

Clay Evans McKean, son of Mr. and Mrs. S. P. McKean, who is stationed at Boston and is a musician in the Marine corps, telephoned his parents Wednesday that he had been in Boston Thursday and four battleships left at the same time for the same place.

The W. R. C. met in regular session at hall in Palmer's block Tuesday. It was voted to purchase all necessary things and proceed with their work. The next meeting since the corps was burned out.

Mr. and Mrs. Herbert Culver are guests for a week of his mother, Mrs. George Culver.

Chief Dowling is rooming at Miss Helen Moore's. He intends to move his family here as soon as he finds the right tenement.

Daniel Neidham is home from the law school for a week's stay.

The fire that ran over about ten acres of woodland belonging to Levi Phelps was first discovered by a motorman on the electric running from Lowell. He telephoned immediately to Groton central when the alarm was given. It was fortunate that he saw it when he did.

Dr. W. A. Gobie is on the sick list this week. He is kept away from his office and under the doctor's care.

The Neighborhood club met pleasantly as usual with Mrs. Theophilus G. Smith on Wednesday afternoon. There was a business meeting and a committee was chosen to plan for another year. There was no special entertainment program. The usual quotations were given and some of the ladies gave the current events. Refreshments were served and the club song was sung. At the next meeting there will be the annual election of officers.

Leaving Thursday noon Arthur H. Mason has gone to St. Louis, Mo., expecting to arrive there Saturday afternoon. He is accompanied by his wife and two children. He is associated with the P. & R. Amusement Co. at Delmar Park about three miles out from St. Louis. This park is on the former exposition grounds. Before returning from his six months' leave of absence Mr. Mason will probably visit relatives and other friends in Springfield, Mo. and Chicago, Ill.

Groton high was beaten 6 to 5 in a game with Bromfield school of Harvard on Wednesday afternoon.

The Lawrence academy first team went to Pomfret, Conn., to play on Wednesday afternoon and won by a score of 10 to 0.

The fire alarm sounded about 12:30 Thursday morning for a forest fire near the ridges. The fire company responded and found members of the Blodgett family already hard at work in putting it out. Several acres of woodland belonging to Levi Phelps of Ayer were burned over.

Marie Frazee, daughter of H. Frazee of Elm street, is out of school with whooping cough.

Miss Gertrude Forbes of Worcester was at home for Sunday and Monday. Mrs. Forbes is entertaining her sister, Mrs. Whitcomb of Sharon.

A set of twenty-six pictures from the Wallace Nutting collection will be on exhibition at the public library from April 25 to May 11. Mr. Nutting has shown great skill and taste in his tableaux illustrating old fashions, occupations and social scenes, set in beautiful old New England houses as well as in his photographs of natural scenery and the coloring is done most artistically. Mr. Nutting is a descendant of John Nutting of Groton.

The current events department of

the Groton Woman's club will not meet as announced with Mrs. Waters Friday, May 1, as the regular meeting of the club comes that afternoon.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Blood of Beverly were week-end and over holiday visitors at the home of his mother, Mrs. M. J. Blood.

James F. Shattuck of Commonwealth ave., Boston was out for Patriots' day at the home of his brother, Grant W. Shattuck.

The Boy Scout dance of Friday evening was a well attended and very pleasant party. The proceeds over all expenses were twenty-eight dollars.

It was Reciprocity day with the Woman's club last week Friday afternoon. There was an attendance of seventy-five or more, which includes the visitors from other clubs. Eight were present from the Ayer club, which gave a play Xing. This was dramatized by one of their members. In humorous portrayal the play showed up some who pretend to know more than they do. There was a brace of songs by Mrs. Hyman of the Groton club. Afternoon tea was served, Mrs. Robertson and Mrs. Lamb pouring and some of the younger members assisting.

Mr. Hastings, florist at the Fitchburg Normal school, spent last Sunday afternoon at H. Huebner's, staying to lunch and going through the several greenhouses on the place.

Fred O. Porter has had town water introduced and otherwise improving and renovating his house and barn on School street.

Mrs. Kane is more comfortable and has a trained nurse in attendance.

Henry W. Whiting is better from his illness which confined him to his bed and placed him under the care of his physician.

The Groton friends of Mrs. R. E. Stone of Bradford, Pa., are glad to hear that she is so far recovered that she has gone home from the Bradford city hospital.

John H. Robbins, who has been spending the winter in Pasadena, Cal., lost \$10,000 in a fire there the first of the week according to the news dispatches in the Boston papers. The fire destroyed several buildings and was caused by a gas stove. Mr. Robbins' total loss reaching \$400,000.

May services will be held at the town hall at 7:30 in the evening as follows: May 3, Rev. Hughell E. W. Folbrook, D. D., Episcopal Theological school, Cambridge; May 10, Rev. Arthur E. Lloyd, D. D., president of Board of Missions of the Episcopal church; May 17, Rev. Charles Slatery, D. D., Grace church, New York City; May 24, Rev. George Hodges, D. D., dean of Episcopal Theological school, Cambridge; May 31, Rev. William Lawrence, D. D., bishop of Massachusetts.

The following is the schedule arranged for the high school baseball season:

April 22, Bromfield high at Harvard; April 25, Lunenburg high at Groton; April 29, Lawrence academy at Groton; May 2, Groton at Groton; May 5, Pepperell high at Pepperell; May 9, Ayer high at Groton; May 11, Groton at Groton; May 13, Pepperell high at Groton; May 16, Juniaita club at Groton; May 20, Middlesex School second at Concord; May 23, Groton at Groton; May 27, Shirley Industrial school at Groton; June 3, Ayer high at Ayer; June 10, Shirley Industrial school at Groton; June 13, Juniaita Athletic club at Groton; June 27, Groton high school alumni at Groton.

Changes Hands.

The Messrs. Scott, three brothers, sons of Professor Scott of Tufts college, have been occupying the Dr. F. E. Gilson place in Chicopee for several days. It is understood that they have bought the place to make their home there and that their parents will come to live with them a part of the year. About one hundred acres of this place was the home place of Noah Torrey, who came from Weymouth to settle in Groton, and later it was the home of his son, Freeman Torrey. Still more remote owners of this place was the Shepley family, whose names figure in the oldest annals of the town. One of the Shepley sons was Judge Ether Shepley, LL. D., of Maine. He was chief justice of the supreme court in Maine and considered an authority in law.

This recalls an incident in his life how after long years of absence from his native town he came one day when an elderly gentleman in 1887 to Groton, stopped at dinner at the home of his cousin, the late Samuel Williams. Judge Shepley said he had a strong longing to visit once more the scenes of his birthplace and early life and taste again if possible some of the apples that used to grow on the place. He was accompanied by his son, Gen. George F. Shepley, of the civil war service, at one time provost martial of Louisiana. Together they went down to the old apple tree in the view of the present and earnest efforts to beautify the town, both the village and outlying roads, that this using of the highways for dumping places must be just a matter of forgetfulness. Groton, beautiful and clean, should be the slogan of all its citizens.

The Bird Club.

The regular April meeting of the Groton Bird club was held in the lower town hall on Saturday evening, April 18, at eight o'clock. In the absence of the chairman of the committee on feeding and nesting boxes the president reported for these committees. About ten more boxes have been hung along the public way and the Meriden food house has been received and can be erected at any time. Miss Gertrude Gerrish read a report on the junior work, which was accepted and placed on file. William A. Lawrence moved to amend the constitution by striking out in Article VI, section 1, the word Saturday, where it occurs in that section and substituting therefor the word Monday. This motion was adopted. A two-thirds vote of members present at the May meeting will be required for the final adoption of this amendment.

On motion of Mr. Sturgis it was voted that the president confer further with the representative of the local grange with a view to arranging a lecture on birds under the joint auspices of the grange and the bird club. The matter of bird baths was then brought up and it was suggested that a large one be installed on the

Unitarian common together with the other attracting devices.

Miss Elizabeth Hill's notes on later winter and early spring emigrants were read and commented on by Mr. Sturgis. The later referred especially to an Acadian chieftain which had stayed near his house from February 5 to 15. A remarkably late record in the opinion of Mr. Chapman, the well known ornithologist. A photograph of this bird taken by Mr. Sturgis will appear in an early issue of Bird Lore.

The president reported that the English sparrow trap had arrived and would be tried out in his henyard. He asked that members whose boxes were being occupied by English sparrows make application to him for the use of the trap.

West Groton.

Miss Isabelle Bixby of Boston is visiting at her home here and Miss Grace Bixby of Lincoln was at home over Easter.

Harry Gilechrist of Worcester with a friend from Fitchburg was a guest of Mrs. M. E. Williams over the holiday this week.

Miss Alice Humiston, sister of the late Dr. Humiston, of Jaffrey, N. H., was a guest on Thursday of Miss Kate A. Tarbell.

Mrs. Martha Tarbell has not been in her usual health during the past few weeks and for a part of the time has been confined to the bed.

Mrs. M. P. Lane, though able to be about the house, has suffered an ill turn this week.

It is reported, we believe on good authority, that Mr. and Mrs. Rufus Burgess of Bar Mills, Me., are to return to Groton and will occupy their house on Main street.

Going on Saturday Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Adams with their two children spent the holiday in Lowell, returning on Monday evening. They were accompanied by two friends, visitors, who returned with them, remaining until Tuesday.

Coming on Friday of last week Mrs. C. L. Ellis of Danvers is a guest of her daughter, Mrs. C. R. Dudley. Mr. Elliott came on Saturday evening, remaining for the holiday.

Miss Bridget Moran of Fitchburg is spending a week in town and is a guest of Miss Flora Kemp, Mrs. J. T. Shattuck, and several other friends and former neighbors.

Mrs. M. P. McGowan was called out of town recently by the death of a cousin in Dorchester.

On Wednesday Frank Powell received a summons to join his regiment.

Mrs. J. L. Nutting returned to West Groton on Saturday of last week.

W. V. Bixby bought on Thursday a fine pair of large bay horses just from the west.

The contract for the new school building to be erected in West Groton has been awarded to the M. W. Allen Construction Co. of Walpole.

A supper and social under the auspices of the Ladies' Aid society will be given in Squannacook hall on Friday evening, May 1, with Mrs. G. G. Hilditch as chairman.

Two members, Mrs. Pierce and Mrs. Kimball, have been recently welcomed by the L. A. society.

Word has been received here that Miss Adele Sparrell, a one time pupil in West Groton, also niece of Mrs. A. H. Tompson, is to be married on Saturday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alfred Sparrell, of Belcher town.

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

Mrs. Oliver Hallett, who has spent the winter with her son, Edward Hallett, at his home in New York, and will return to her home after a visit in New York city.

Entertainment.

The entertainment given by the Boy Scouts and Camp girls on Saturday evening proved to be very novel and interesting. Dr. A. G. Kilbourn served as scoutmaster and the Scouts were alert and ready. They gave the Scouts' oath, law, emblem, sign and salute. They performed a play ready for emergencies in camp life. Among the various feats performed perhaps the most interesting were the improvised ladder and the stretcher on which a comrade, supposedly ill or wounded, was carried. The Camp-fire girls, West Groton and Groton together, dressed in their ceremonial dresses and beaded headbands, went through their ceremonial exercise under the direction of Miss Susan A. Taylor. They were very pleasing to the eye and their work was well done, the singing being especially good.

The larlat throwing by Mr. Holman of Pepperell was heartily enjoyed and the night of the girls' play was pronounced a success. The play was pronounced a wonder. At the close of their work the girls received each a prize bead. These are of various colors, given in recognition of a task creditably performed and may be worn as decorations.

All the Scouts and Camp-fire girls of the town form together "The Wauban Scounet camp." Those of West Groton are known as "The Squannacook camp."

Wedding.

The subject of the following sketch has a number of friends and former classmates in this village, who we feel sure will read the notice with interest.

Miss Margaret Lillian Weldon, elder daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Weldon, was married on Wednesday at the Sacred Heart church of West Fitchburg to George A. Espie, of the same village. The bride was attended by her sister, Miss Genevieve Weldon, as maid of honor, and Miss Pearl Burns, of Westminster, as bridesmaid, while Marion Dugan, of West Groton, dressed in shadow lace over pale blue China silk and with cap to match and carrying a basket of sweet peas made a charming little flower girl.

The bridal gown was of white charmeuse, lace trimmed, the finishing touches being given by the flowing veil and shower bouquet of sweet peas. The maid of honor and bridesmaid were gowned in shadow lace over pink and Nile green crepe, respectively, with hats to match, and each carried a bouquet of sweet peas. The groom's brother, Charles Espie, acted as best man.

Following the ceremony a wedding breakfast was served to about fifty friends at the home of the bride's parents on Eureka street. Mr. and Mrs. Espie, amid showers of rice and confetti, left for parts unknown, but will be at home to their friends after May 1 at their home at 52 Norwood street, West Fitchburg.

Improvement Society.

At the annual meeting of the Village Improvement society on Tuesday evening various reports were read, showing the work of the year by the various committees. A number of the officers declined re-election and the officers were finally filled as follows: A. F. Cottrell, pres.; Mrs. H. Spaulding, v. p.; Mrs. A. F. Cottrell,

sec.; C. R. Dudley, treas.; G. H. Woolaver, aud.; Mrs. M. F. McGowan, ex. com. 3 yrs.; Miss Sylvia Lawrence, chairman Junior dept.

A number of new members joined the society and it is earnestly hoped that all present members will remain for the new year just begun. We feel that this inexperienced society has in a short time accomplished much on good and we feel very sure that much more work will be done.

Mr. Cottrell reported the organization of an athletic club. Provost Thompson, special committee on birds, gave interesting information on the shape, style and material of nesting boxes for the various species of birds that are inclined to make their habitations near our homes. The committee on cleaning-up day reported a big day's work, but delayed by rain and handicapped by insufficient help they found it impossible to complete the work. Next year's cleaning-up day will need more men and teams and a generous appropriation for the treasury.

W. V. Bixby reported work on the new park on Saturday afternoon by twenty-five enthusiastic men. It was voted to continue this work on Saturday of next week and it is hoped that fifty or more men will volunteer. As the Village Improvement society, not being incorporated, cannot hold property, it was voted to empower the giver, G. H. Bixby, to deed the ten acres of land to the Water Supply District which includes nearly all families in West Groton. The water commissioners jointly with a park commissioner elected by the Village Improvement society, will have the park in charge. In honor of the giver, G. H. Bixby, it is the policy of the public spirit that prompted the giving of the tract was given the name of Bixby park.

LITTLETON.

News Items.

An epidemic of measles prevails in Littleton and the Center school has been closed. Among those who are sick the following have been reported: Hazel Murray, Charlotte Woodbury, Marcia Wilcox, Margaret Brown and Marion Drew.

Mrs. Mabelle Hartwell Robbins, of New York, recently underwent an operation and is recovering from the effects of the satisfaction of physicians and nurse.

Patrik Dorsey, of Taylor street, has been and still is quite sick.

The supper committee made a little more than fifty dollars at the sunset party on Monday.

Miss Emily Adams has spent her vacation in a trip to Washington, D. C., taking advantage of an excursion for teachers.

John H. Hardy, Jr., has sold six power sprayers to his fellow townsmen and others to out-of-town parties this spring.

Fred W. Cross, of Royalston, a member of the educational committee in the house of representatives, will deliver the Memorial day oration in Littleton. Mr. Cross is a veteran Memorial orator, having delivered at least twenty orations on similar occasions.

Mrs. Harriet Whitcomb, of Somerville, is visiting her son, X. H. Whitcomb, who is the guest of her sister, Mrs. M. F. Robbins, recently.

The Choral society met with Mrs. Gardner W. Prouty on Wednesday evening and held a business meeting. A permanent organization was formed and officers for next year were elected as follows: Clifford Shedd, pres.; Frank H. Hill, v. p.; G. Frank Hubbard, sec.; Dorothy Priest, treas.; Karlton K. Priest, asst. treas.; Mrs. M. E. Somes, librarian. It was voted to have a membership list of twenty-five cents. The society sang all the selections taken up in the course of last winter and concluded the very pleasant evening with a social. The hostess served delicious ice cream and fruit and cookies.

Mr. Blodgett, who works for Conant Company at the depot store, has moved into Mrs. J. W. Ireland's house. He has preface life in Littleton by entertaining the mumps.

It is reported that Miss Woodbine, teacher of the fifth and sixth grades, has received a request from Kendall Porter, one of our former townsmen, who has been the happy possessor of the Post case for several years. Mr. Porter is nearly ninety-three years of age and is remarkably strong and hale so far advanced in years. The picture is taken with the cane which Mr. Porter justly prizes.

The high school juniors cleared about fifty dollars at their dramatic entertainment last week Friday evening.

The Mannion children, the Wainwright children, Carolyn Conant and Paul Woodbury have measles.

Mrs. Emma Dix, widow of the late J. Morton Dix, and daughter of the late Henry T. and Martha W. Taylor, all former residents of Littleton, died on Wednesday, April 22, after a long illness from heart disease and other troubles. The funeral will be held this afternoon in the Unitarian church, Littleton, at two o'clock in the afternoon. Mrs. Dix is survived by a son and an adopted daughter, and made common with the latter.

At the Congregational church tomorrow evening there will be an illustrated address on "New life in the near east." This lecture deals with conditions in the Balkans. All are welcome.

Frank E. Priest, who has been a great sufferer from an abscess in the throat, is improving and is now able to sit up a little while each day.

Marjorie Lucile is the name Mr. and Mrs. Clifford Shedd have given to their little daughter born last month.

Miss Bertha Love, who was recently operated upon for appendicitis, has returned home from the Lowell hospital and is constantly improving in health. Her sister, Miss Josephine, has given up her school and come to help her mother.

Mr. and Mrs. John Chisholm, of Danvers, have spent a week with her mother, Mrs. Gregory, at Mrs. Chisholm's home. Miss Mabel Reed before her recent marriage.

Mrs. J. N. Murray brought home a blue ribbon with her French bulldog from the dog show last week.

Owing to the prevalence of measles in town grades seven and eight have been closed indefinitely by order of the board of health.

Hazel Murray, who has been very ill with measles, is convalescent.

Willard Blodgett has the measles. Mr. and Mrs. C. K. Houghton and Miss Elizabeth Houghton attended the funeral of their uncle, Mr. Hayward, in Ashby on Thursday.

Edward Eaton has been at home from Tufts college for spring vacation.

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Miss Edith L. Longley took part in a performance of the first of Dvorak's Piano Trio in B flat major at a pupils' recital of the New England Conservatory of Music, Boston, last Saturday afternoon. Her associates were Ignace Neuwirth, New York city, and Miss Mildred Ridley, of Chelsea. This trio was enthusiastically received by an audience filling the hall of the conservatory building.

The monthly meeting of the W. C. T. U. will be held in the vestry of the Baptist church on Friday afternoon, May 1, at 2.30 o'clock. Cards are out announcing the marriage on April 15 of Miss Mary Carolyn Bryson, of Somerville, and Oliver Kendall Pierce, Robbins, son of Mr. and Mrs. Edward F. Robbins, of Fitchburg, formerly of Littleton, Mr. and Mrs. Robbins will be at home to their friends after June 1 at Laconia, 109 Highland avenue, Somerville.

The high school baseball team defeated the Crescents at the town park on Monday afternoon by a score of 23 to 2. The spring rush of hobbos has begun and from now on the police expect to have their usual summer work of keeping them moving. This being a large railroad center is responsible for so many coming this way. The railroad men say that they are a nuisance, as they hang around the yards looking for a chance to jump freights and some of them will steal whatever they can get their hands on.

meantime a settlement may be made out of court. James Loughlin, of Concord, appeared for the complainant and Attorney Wilson, of Maynard, for the defendant. Tony Cochey, Walter August and Roman Mosler, all of Peppercell, were found guilty of drunkenness and disturbing the peace on Tuesday. The former complainants were fined and on the latter they were fined five dollars each. Through their counsel, Francis G. Hayes, of Groton, they entered a plea of nolo.

The railroad depot was broken into Tuesday night by some person or persons evidently not professional. The gum machine was rifled and the telephone instrument was found undisturbed. On the next morning the depot was closed and the next morning down on the tracks east from the depot. Not a great amount was taken in all.

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Commonwealth of Massachusetts, Probate Court, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of MARY J. HASTINGS late of Shirley in said County, deceased. Whereas MARY J. HASTINGS, late of Shirley in said County, deceased, has presented for allowance, the first account of administration upon the estate of said deceased. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in the County of Middlesex, on the 25th day of May A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed. And said administrator is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to all persons interested in the estate 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, Massachusetts, on the eleventh day of May A. D. 1914, 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. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this sixteenth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. 3133 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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HOLLIS, N. H.

About Town. Ross Hobkink, who has worked for some time past for Henry A. Wilson, has accepted a position in Natick, Mass., on a large farm and he is to have charge of all the chickens.

Two new cottages and possibly more are to be built at Silver Lake soon. The Camp Delta girls that occupied Mrs. Colburn's cottage last year are planning on coming to Hollis again this summer and have hired the Ford cottage now owned by Mrs. Atherton of Nashua.

Richard Hardy returned home last week for an indefinite stay. Mrs. Henry Blood and youngest child spent a few days in Ayer last week with relatives.

Miss Lillian Terrell and little niece from Hollis spent a visit recently at Mrs. George W. Hardy's.

Miss Ruth Goodwin invited a few of her friends to her home last week Friday evening for a social time and to meet Miss Helen Crathern, of Worcester, Mass., who was visiting there.

Mr. and Mrs. Otis Goodwin and little son spent Sunday and Monday with Mrs. Emma Goodwin and family.

Miss Adelaide Colburn is making an extended visit with her grandfather, Franklin P. Colburn, and her aunt, Miss Minnie Colburn.

Mrs. Frank Bell has returned home from a several-weeks' stay at David J. Wright's.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Fields and a niece from Amherst attended the grange meeting here on Tuesday evening.

Miss Minnie Bancroft was in Boston a few days the past week. Miss Adelaide Colburn assisted at Mrs. Richardson's during her absence.

News Items. Daniel Goodwin is at home from Durham academy for a two-weeks' vacation.

Among the names of those who are to join the church on Sunday the young of George Ladd's was omitted last week.

Mrs. Hamilton, with her daughter, Miss Hamilton, from Worcester, spent Sunday and Monday with Mrs. Leslie and family. There was a good crowd at the camp.

A district convention of the Sunday school was held in town on Wednesday. Brockline, Merrimack, Littlefield, Milford and Hollis are in the circuit.

Miss Helen Crathern has returned to Worcester after a week's visit at Mrs. Goodwin's. Ethel Goodwin returned with her for a week's visit.

Rev. Mr. French has invited the Odd Fellows to meet in a body for the observance of Odd Fellows' day and listen to a sermon.

News Items. Rev. and Mrs. James N. Seaver, from Milford, were guests in town last week.

Mrs. Lilla Hardy has moved her household goods to Lowell, Mass.

Mr. Anderson and friend, of Pepperell, and Mrs. M. J. Powers, of Hollis, were guests in town on Sunday.

A part of the household furnishings of Rev. Charles Dockrill arrived in town last Saturday.

Many friends are glad to welcome Mrs. Ellen Sweet back for the summer.

The Loyal Workers were entertained at the home of Miss Josephine Seaver and Mrs. Hattie Stiles on Thursday last week. The day was stormy but a good number were in attendance and plans made for the entertainment to be given on Friday evening, April 24, under the auspices of the young people of the Methodist society. At about four o'clock Mrs. Hattie Stiles served some of that hot cocoa which is so famous, and her excellent cake for which the ladies shrank her. On Thursday April 23, the Loyal Workers are invited to meet with Mrs. Nellie Dugrey. A good attendance is called for.

In place of eatables put out lint, strings, etc. for the birds to build their homes of. They will carry away a large lot of such material and it is much easier for them than to be obliged to hunt around for it.

Mrs. Lamprey is still confined to the house by illness.

Mrs. Mary Cox has been the guest of Miss Bradley at her home in South Brookline.

Death. David S. Fessenden, aged 75 years, 10 months, 5 days, passed away at his home at South Brookline on Wednesday, April 15, caused by venereal disease of the heart. Although he had been in failing health for a number of months he was about and doing light work the evening before he died, talking with his family he seemed especially happy and remarked he had felt better for a long time. He was taken ill early in the morning. It being less than a hour before he passed away, being conscious to the last, and realizing he was going, sent for his only child, Orville D. Fessenden, who was quickly by his side.

The son of the late Aaron Fessenden and wife, the deceased was born in Townsend on June 10, 1835, and was one of seven children and is the first to pass away. A man of sterling worth, a faithful and devoted husband and father, a true friend and neighbor—what more can be said.

He represented the town of Brookline in the legislature and also served on the board of selectmen for several years, being chairman of the board the last year of service, October 6, 1890. He united with Samaritan Commandery, U. O. G. C. and held this membership to the last, passing through the chairs with honor, representing the commandery several times in the grand commandery of New Hampshire the last time being on April 1. Twenty years ago he became a charter member of Brookline grange and was its first secretary. Several times he refused the master's chair on account of his business at South Brookline, where he was a valuable assistant in his son in the lumber business. He was also a member of North Star Lodge, I. O. O. F. of Townsend, being a true and loyal member to all, and was always interested in the church and it work, willing to do anything to aid its advancement.

He leaves besides his widow a son, an only child, Orville D. Fessenden, of this town; three grandchildren, Walter Fessenden, of this town, and Eldorus Fessenden, of Newton, Mass., and several great-grandchildren; one brother, James Fessenden, of Newton, Mass.; five sisters, Mrs. Mary F. Barber of Townsend, Mrs. Augusta Gould, Mrs. Nancy Daniels, Mrs. Athena Campbell of this town, and Mrs. Anna Bryant, of Manchester, and friends without number.

The funeral service was held on Friday afternoon, April 17, at 1:30 in the Methodist church, following prayers at the home. Rev. Charles Dockrill spoke words of comfort to the bereaved friends. A choir, Mrs. Hattie Stiles, Miss Josephine Seaver, Mrs. Lizzie Maynard, Mrs. Jennie Boutelle, Delbert Porter, Lewis Fessenden, sang "Looking this way" and other appropriate selections. Near the casket stood a beautiful floral arrangement of the employes of O. D. Fessenden, with a beautiful wreath of flowers resting in their sweet innocence around the casket as tokens from many friends. Brookline grange and the U. O. G. C. attended in a body and delegates from several Odd Fellows lodges were present. Burial was in Townsend. Many attended the services from out-of-town.

There will be an auction sale of antiquities in New Lexington on Friday, May 8, at nine o'clock. The goods are the property of W. L. Burrill. Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer.

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Bids must be made upon blanks to be furnished by the Commission. A pamphlet containing the necessary information and blanks will be furnished on application, upon receipt of a deposit of \$2.00, said amount to be returned if the person taking the pamphlet makes a bid for the work on the form provided in said pamphlet at or before the time of opening of the bids.

No bids will be received unless accompanied by a certified check for the sum of \$250, payable to the Commonwealth of Massachusetts.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS Middlesex Probate Court. To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, and all other persons interested in the estate of ALFRED HOLDEN, late of Pepperell in said County, deceased.

Whereas, a certain instrument purporting to be the last will and testament of said deceased has been presented to said Court for probate, by E. ALONZO BLOOD who prays that letters of administration on the will annexed may be issued to him or some other suitable person, the executrix named in said will having declined the trust.

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And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks in the Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on the 15th day of May, 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this thirtieth day of April in the year one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. 3132 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Worcester, ss. Probate Court. To the heirs at law, next of kin, creditors and all other persons interested in the estate of CLARENCE W. GREEN late of Harvard 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 ELIZABETH T. GREEN of Harvard in said County of Worcester, without giving a surety on her bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Worcester, in said County of Worcester, on the twenty-eighth day of April A. D. 1914, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Harvard Herald, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be on one day at least before said Court.

Witness, William T. Forbes, Esquire, Judge of said Court, this fourth day of April in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and fourteen. HARRY H. ATWOOD, Register. 3131



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LITTLETON.

News Items. Again the Backlog club triumphed over wind and rain and filled the town hall with a company of merry dancers at the sunset party given Monday afternoon and evening...

The topic of the meeting of the Guild tomorrow evening at 6.30 at the Unitarian church will be "The plans for the celebration of the one hundred years of peace between England and America..."

Mrs. Annie C. Smith has returned to Worcester after a stay of several weeks at home.

Oscar Shafter is beautifying his pleasant cottage on King street by the addition of a spacious piazza on the front and the west side.

Everett Kimball is the possessor of a new Ford touring car and G. W. Prouty has a new Buick.

Mr. and Mrs. George Newcomb have been entertaining friends from Boston.

Mr. Locke, of Newton, has sold what is known as the Dea. James Parker place to a Gleasondale party by the name of Priest.

There will be an important meeting of the Improvement society this evening in the selectmen's room. Everybody is urged to be present.

There is much sickness in town due to colds and sore throats. Joseph Wainwright's family has had a siege with the prevailing disease.

Mr. and Mrs. H. F. Proctor entertained at their Sabbath and holiday guests the Misses Helen and Marion Brown, of Cambridge.

Judge Elihu Loomis and housekeeper, of New Bedford, spent Sunday in town and attended his former home church, the Congregational.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Gordon and daughters, Helen and Betty, of Newton, were holiday guests of the H. S. Browns of King street.

Miss Gertrude Griffiths, of Waltham, spent Sunday and Monday with the home people.

Mr. and Mrs. Ralph W. Conant and young son joined the W. E. Conant family for Sunday and Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Guy Green, of Peppercell, were recently the guests of her mother, Mrs. J. W. Ireland.

Clifford Smith and little daughter were at C. L. Smith's over Sunday and Monday.

The members of the Alliance are invited to the guest afternoon of the Ayer Alliance in their vestry on Thursday afternoon at two o'clock.

Speakers will be Rev. O. J. Fairfield and Mrs. Alice Reynolds Keyes, of Concord.

Raymond Smith is again living with his home people, going to and returning from work in Boston daily.

Miss Mabel Pickard and Miss Cora Wainwright were at J. F. Warren's, Foster street, for the holiday.

The junior class of the high school justly deserves the flattering compliments given them by the large audience in attendance at the play "Tommy's wife," so well staged in the town hall last week Friday evening.

Not the least prompting was needed or given and the acting was certainly worthy of a cast beyond the realm of amateurs.

Much commendation is due the faithful teachers who spared no pains in bringing the performance to so high a degree of perfection.

Several musical numbers were given that were enthusiastically received. These included a piano duet by Misses Ruth Weston and Margaret Taylor, and piano solos by Misses Elsie Whitney, Elizabeth Brown, Florence Hunt and Margaret Conant.

Misses Grace Needham and Elsie Whitney played for the dancing, which followed the dramatic entertainment.

William H. Davis has bought an automobile that he is rigging up for the conveyance of the Nashobah school children.

The Alliance will meet for its annual meeting in the Unitarian vestry on Friday afternoon of next week at 2.30.

The reports of the year will be made, officers elected and plans made for the coming year. A full attendance is desired.

Mrs. Helen Swift Morris and daughter, of Chicago, Ill., were guests of the Misses Sanderson last week.

Children's afternoon will be observed at the Woman's club on Monday afternoon. The first children of the first six grades are invited to be present.

There will be story telling by Mrs. Winnifred King Rugg, a former high school teacher in Littleton, and music by home talent.

U. S. Knox has bought of F. C. Hartwell the house on Taylor street occupied by him since his fire five weeks ago.

Town water has been put into the Tuttle house at the corner of King street and Hartwell avenue, owned by F. C. Hartwell, and into the Somes house at the Center, owned by Mrs. Alex Gregory.

Mrs. Mary J. Priest's house on Foster street is equipped for electric lighting.

Stacy C. Bates will have his portable home for a few days.

The Catholic club will give a May party in the town hall on Friday evening, May 1. Music by McNally's singing orchestra. Dancing from eight until twelve. Refreshments from 6.30 to 8.30.

HARVARD.

News Items. A guest at the home of B. J. Priest this week was George Dunn, of Mansfield.

Announcements are out of the marriage of Walter Wright Bagster to Miss Ella Mabry Ryder. The ceremony took place in Portland, Me., on Friday, April 17.

Mr. Bagster, who has been at West Pownal, Me., for the past two years, is to locate at Harvard for the present, his home being at West Pownal, Me.

The bride is a Maine girl. Both have many friends here who will be glad to have them settle in town.

Elliery Royal entertained a couple of his student friends from Worcester Polytechnic over Sunday and Monday at his home here.

While working about the curbing stone on Tuesday George Ryan accidentally loosened the pinnars under one of the large ones and it tipped, catching Mr. Ryan across the right foot, luckily a small bar taking part of the fall.

As it is Mr. Ryan is badly crippled, although no bones were broken.

The Young Ladies' Social club met

with the Misses Thayer on Wednesday afternoon. Miss Mildred Fairbank, who was the special guest, was given a linen shower by the club. Some very dainty and attractive gifts were given Miss Fairbank.

Finishers are at work on the new house of E. W. Moses on the Bare Hill road. This very attractive house will be ready for occupancy about the first of June.

Bromfield School Notes.

The B. A. A. played the first of their inter-school games for this season on their home grounds on Wednesday, April 22, with the Groton high school. The ball was left at home the Bromfield team winning by a score of 7 to 6.

The following is the schedule of the games arranged for this season: April 25, Crescent A. C. at Ayer; April 29, Peppercell high at Peppercell; May 3, Peppercell high at Peppercell; May 6, Ayer high at Ayer; May 9, Crescent A. C. of Ayer, at Harvard; May 13, Lunenburg Normal at Harvard; May 23, Groton high at Groton; May 30, Lancaster at Lancaster; June 3, Lawrence Academy 2d at Harvard; June 6, Lunenburg high at Harvard; June 10, Peppercell high at Peppercell; June 13, Lawrence Academy 1st at Peppercell; June 17, Ayer high at Harvard; July 4, pending with Groton.

The dance party given on Wednesday evening by the Bromfield school was largely attended and was a very successful affair, socially and financially. The proceeds are to go towards defraying the expenses of the B. A. A. games.

H. W. C. On Monday, April 20, the Harvard town hall, through the efforts of Mrs. Edith Morse and assistants, was converted into an attractive reception hall for the first guest night in the history of the Harvard Women's club.

A corps of ushers, Miss Helen Dickson, chairman, presented the large number present to the receiving matrons, Mrs. Luther Willard, Mrs. Charles Hayward, Mrs. Marcia Sawyer and Mrs. Frances Hartshorn.

A pleasing entertainment consisting of a piano duet by the Misses Reed and Stone, a group of songs by the ladies, double quartet, readings by Mrs. Grace Sanborn Cole of Boston, vocal solos by Mrs. J. F. Coughlin of Clinton, were all thoroughly enjoyed by the audience.

One may judge by the hearty applause which greeted the different numbers and the generous responses given by the entertainers kept the company in great humor.

A march, with variations, gave an opportunity for sociability which whetted the appetites of all and full justice was done the substantial lunch prepared by Mrs. Louise Putnam and other members of the hospitality committee. Singing, directed by the audience closed a happy evening.

Congregational Notes. The usual services will be held on Sunday. The subject of the pastor's sermon in the morning will be "Within the law." Music in charge of Mr. West. The choir will sing "Jesus, Jesus, Jesus" by Galbraith and solo, "Jesus lover of my soul," arranged by McDougall.

The Bible school meets as usual at twelve o'clock with classes for students of all ages. The whole school is studying the life of Jesus.

The C. E. meeting in the evening will be in the form of a Bible and testimony service under the direction of the prayer meeting committee. The subject is "Our tongues for Christ."

At the bible school session last Sunday Wynne Cleaves, Leona Gabrielson and Raymond Kinsman were awarded the gold pin for constant attendance. Leon and Carrie Hazard were awarded the second year gold wreath, not having missed a Sunday for twelve months.

Unitarian Notes. At 10.45 service of worship with sermon by the pastor. At twelve Sunday school. Classes for all. The Men's class at this session will continue the discussion "Soulmates."

The quarterly meeting of the Harvard Temperance society, which is to be held in this church, has been postponed to Sunday, April 26.

Plans for the May party of the Sunday school have been progressing well so that an interesting and lively time is assured. This occurs on Thursday evening, April 30, at seven o'clock.

Envelopes for the annual offering to the American Unitarian association need to be in Sunday, April 25, in order to be forwarded in time to be counted to the church's credit.

TOWNSEND.

West. The Ladies' Mission Circle held their regular monthly meeting at the home of Mrs. Justin C. Hodgson this week Thursday afternoon with an attendance of nine and a most interesting program was presented and enjoyed.

Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence on the subject "A hundred years of missions." The next meeting will be held at the home of Mrs. Lucy A. Lawrence and the topic will be "Missions and the Sunday school," under the direction of Mrs. Justin C. Hodgson.

Mr. and Mrs. Winfield Reed, from Quincy, enjoyed an auto trip to town last Sunday.

Herbert Wood has left the employ of Danley Coffey at the town farm and is at present at his home here.

Mrs. M. O. Prime, who is assisting at Augustus Stevens', has been quite ill, threatened with pneumonia, but is reported as much improved. Dr. Hopkins, of Ayer, her home physician, was called last week.

Mrs. George Tenney and son Fred visited friends in Fitchburg last Monday.

G. A. Seaver spent Tuesday in Dorchester visiting his daughter, Mrs. R. H. Willard.

There will be a business meeting of the social committee of the Brotherhood to prepare for the monthly banquet at the home of Mrs. R. S. Ely on Saturday evening.

Clarence Stickney has been on the sick list at his home for a few days.

Mrs. R. A. Smith entertained six of the children of the neighborhood at a farewell party to the Reynolds children, who moved to Boston, on Monday afternoon. The afternoon was enjoyed by all. The afternoon was passed in games and music and at the close light refreshments were served.

Word has been received here by the friends of Mrs. R. A. Thompson of her safe arrival at her destination in California and the very pleasant, though fatiguing trip.

The last meeting for the season of the Ladies' Study club was held at the reading-room on Monday evening, April 20, with an attendance of eleven. All the members but two being present. The president, Mrs. G. A. Seaver, presided over the business the annual election of officers took place with the following members elected for the coming year: Mrs. Emily J. Leach, pres.; Mrs. Richard S. Ely, v. p.; Mrs. Fred A. Patch, sec. and treas.; Mrs. George A. Seaver, Mrs. M. E. Turner, Mrs. M. E. Adams, program committee. A vote of thanks was given the retiring committee and the program was presented, which proved an interesting discussion of favorite books was taken up and current events. After the discussion a dainty refreshment consisting of ice cream and cake was served under the direction of the program committee. The ladies were seated at a reading table, the color scheme being

green and gold, and a very jolly time was enjoyed through the month.

Seven from this town took the civil service examination as applicants for the West Townsend postoffice, some going to Ayer, some to Clinton, one to Worcester and two to Fitchburg.

There was a large attendance and a brisk sale of goods at the auction of the week from E. B. Richards, property on Monday afternoon. At the appointed hour the real estate was sold to Charles R. Farwell, of this village.

Mrs. Mary Welch, who has been visiting her son in Rochester, N. H., has returned to this village and opened her cottage, which has been closed for some winter. Her daughter, Miss Alice Welch, of Everett, is with her at present.

Mrs. W. Webster is at present caring for a patient at the Center. Daniel Harrington of Lowell spent the week-end with friends in the village.

Mrs. Kirby and party from Boston were holiday guests at the Squannacook hotel.

Miss Agnes Wilson of Waltham spent the holiday with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Bruce G. White of Fitchburg.

Mrs. Susan White of Ashby visited relatives in town last week.

Mr. and Mrs. Dunn of Beverly spent the week-end at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Perry W. Sawtelle.

Rev. J. D. Graham of Colrain occupied the Baptist pulpit last Sunday as a candidate and proved a very interesting preacher. The address, "The brotherhood at noon and although the attendance was small the meeting was much enjoyed. The Y. S. C. F. meeting at six o'clock was well attended and was conducted by Miss Gladys Rawson.

Mrs. Fannie Lawrence has been quite ill for the past few weeks, but at this writing is reported as much improved.

Mrs. Allison has been on the sick list for several days at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Mervin Hodgman.

Mr. Reynolds and family have moved from the little cottage in the railroad yard to a farm in Mason, N. H., for the summer.

Mrs. Mary Tucker and family moved this week from the tenement in Wm. Brown's house on Main street to their former tenement in Mr. Lewis's house next to the Baptist church.

Richard McElhott, who has been spending a most enjoyable winter in Florida, has returned and opened his house here.

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Saturday, April 25, 1914.

PEPPERELL.

About Town. Howard Denham was in town from Lowell at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Chas. S. Denham, over Sunday and Patriots day.

Dr. and Mrs. Frank Luce Dow of Worcester were recent guests at the home of Dr. F. W. Lovejoy. Mrs. Dow remained over to the recital on Tuesday.

E. J. Darling has resumed his work in the papermill on repairs. Harry Hutchinson has resigned from the board of water commissioners and at a recent meeting of the selectmen, Arthur Wright was chosen to fill the vacancy.

William Hanna entertained his brother Arnold with his friend, Guy Clark, over the holiday. They are young recruits in the service of Uncle Sam and look very trim in their suits of khaki and blue.

The Misses Mary and Theresa Tully came from Beachmont to spend Sunday and the holiday with their sister, Mrs. Joseph Davis, on Nashua street. The gift of \$10,000 from the estate of Jennie L. Williams was made known at a recent meeting of the board of trustees of the Lawrence library.

A. R. Paull has been notified of his re-election as superintendent of the schools of Pepperell, Dunstable, Harvard and Bolton for a term of three years. At a recent meeting of the committee of twelve there but two dissenting votes.

Rev. and Mrs. P. R. Stratton and son returned home on Tuesday. Mr. Stratton has been at the annual conference held at Malden and has been assigned to a pastorate in another town. His people took advantage of the church supper on Wednesday evening to welcome him back among them.

James Johnson has leased the Kendall house on Townsend street for one year with the option of buying at the expiration of that time. He and his family lately moved here from Colorado, occupying a house on Groton street.

A party of sixteen members of Prescott grange drove to Hollis Tuesday evening to celebrate the anniversary of the fourth degree was conferred on a class of more than twenty candidates. It was ladies' night and a short program was arranged including a farce. A bountiful New Hampshire supper was also arranged by them and a large company did justice to it about eleven o'clock. A very pleasant evening is reported as the night was fine, though cool, and the roads were found in an improved condition.

Since Monday is on record as the coldest April 13 for forty years and Sunday is on record as the hottest April 19 ever recorded, it proves conclusively that we are having a real New England April with no sham in the making.

Miss A. E. Pierce of Lowell was a week-end guest at the home of E. A. Glison on Groton street. Frederic Belcher, of Winchester, was a week-end and holiday guest at the home of his brother-in-law, G. E. Shattuck, at Brookside farm.

Glen Upson has been taking an enforced vacation from his duties in the railroad office in Boston, as he has been suffering from an attack of tonsillitis. Miss Margaret West, of West Somerville, was the guest of Mr. and Mrs. Nell McWilliams over Sunday and the holiday.

The salad supper served by the ladies at the Methodist vestry on Wednesday evening was very well patronized. There was a fine assortment of salads at a very low price, and under the efficient management of Mrs. Jerry Annis was most temptingly arranged.

News has been received from Mrs. Eliza Going that she arrived at her new home at Newton very comfortably last week, not greatly fatigued by her journey. Brooks Phelps has leased his place on the Nashua road to C. F. Clements. Mr. Phelps will move to the new house on Nashua where they will occupy one of the new houses recently built by him.

Mrs. A. H. Harris entertained her sister, Miss Lois Patterson, of South Merrimac, N. H., on Sunday and Patriots day. Arthur W. Lawson came from West Haven, Conn., on last Saturday and returned on Sunday, taking back his little boy who has been spending a few weeks with his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. Henry Wright.

Frank W. Fuller, a former hardware dealer in town, has moved to the home of J. A. Donnelly. Mr. Fuller is now located at Mainstream, Me., and returned home on Tuesday.

An alarm was rung in about noon on Thursday for a forest fire. It came by telephone and resulted in the fire on the Nashua road as smoke could be seen rolling up in that direction. Two of the engineers started with fire extinguishers and other apparatus. After following up the clue for some time they came to the conclusion that the fire was beyond the borders of the town, and some one, becoming alarmed at its apparent proximity, had caused the alarm to be given needlessly.

Mr. and Mrs. Walter H. Drury spent Sunday and the holiday with relatives at Holderness during Monday night. Mrs. W. J. Thayer has been entertaining her cousin, Mrs. Hannigan, at her home on Pleasant street. She left on Wednesday for her home in New York city.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Nash came last week from Chelsea to open their week on Park street. Mr. Nash returned to his duties on Tuesday, but as his health is not as good he will probably soon make arrangements to come back here for the summer. Ernest Nash and family came up over Sunday and the holiday. Mrs. Nash and her daughter returned to keep Mr. O. M. Nash company.

Florence Ames came from Winchendon to spend the holiday with her parents on Shirley street. Chester Parker moves this week from the Miner house on Townsend street and will occupy a part of his father's house. Mr. and Mrs. E. Chapman and wife devote a portion of his time to farming and the chicken business.

Bernard Shattuck and Leslie Reed, of Boston, each spent the holiday with their parents on Main street. Acoma lodge, D. of R., will entertain the Alpha association on Tuesday afternoon, Noble Grands on Tuesday afternoon, April 28, at the I. O. O. F. hall. About twenty of the surrounding towns are included in this association and many faithful members are represented. The supper committee of Acoma lodge will serve a public supper from six to seven o'clock at the banquet hall to which a cordial invitation is extended

to all. The regular meeting of the lodge will be held in the evening as usual.

Mr. and Mrs. George Herrig and daughter Rachel, of Somerville, were at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Herrig over the holiday. Mr. Herrig returned to his duties on Tuesday morning, but Mrs. Herrig and daughter will remain during the week and probably over April 28, as Mrs. Herrig is one of the past grand of Acoma lodge and will wish to be present at the meeting of that date.

John Hayes, of Waltham, visited his mother in town over Sunday. Mrs. Florence Robbins was a recent guest at the home of relatives in Mason and her daughter at Smithville, N. H., returning on Tuesday.

Lester Stevens, who took the position of baggage-master at the station of Groton, Nashua and Lowell, is on leave during the absence of Oliver Thayer in the south, is now working for I. J. Rowell in his grain store.

Wallace Willoughby, who was thrown out of employment by the closing of the paper mill, is working for John Frossard at present. Earl Parker, who has been confined to his home for a few weeks past with an attack of scarlet fever, is out once more, although not sufficiently recovered to go back to his position in Boston.

Mr. Charles Stinerford has been entertaining her mother, Mrs. Stratton, of Littleton, this week. Norman Upson, who has been out of employment at the paper mill for several weeks, has gone to Middleboro to work at the state sanatorium under W. G. Atkinson.

George Frossard is having a bathroom fitted up at his residence on Cross street. John Bartz is doing the work. Spring moving is still going on in town. Mr. and Mrs. Albert Koch moved Saturday from the Pike house on the Tucker farm to a tenement on Mill street in the house occupied by Mrs. Koch's parents. The house was immediately taken by Mr. and Mrs. Howard Willoughby who had been occupying the upper tenement in the Palmer house near by.

Miss Hattie Kendall is in town packing her household goods preparatory to removing them from her house which she has rented. Miss Kendall will take the position of companion and housekeeper with Mrs. John Frazer, Church place, going to New York.

The playground is coming into use of late which we are glad to see, but we are sorry to see some of the young lads, juniors in the high school and even younger, going along the street afterward smoking the poisonous cigarette.

George Hanna and family moved on Monday from the Charles Parker house at East Village to the house on Cross street recently vacated by Charles Messer. Mr. Hanna is employed by Mr. Rowell to whom the house belongs.

The auto truck from the Fitchburg packing house once more bringing paper to the card shops in town. Kenrick McCord, the ten-month-old son of Mr. and Mrs. E. P. McCord, is at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, where he underwent an operation upon his ear and another for adenoids.

Mr. and Mrs. E. P. McCord, is at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, where he underwent an operation upon his ear and another for adenoids. Mr. McCord is with him and expects to bring him home this week as the operation by Dr. Kittredge is reported as successful.

Deaths. Two of the town's aged citizens have passed away recently within a week of each other. On Tuesday, April 14, Samuel Lakin died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. A. H. Gilbert, with whom he has resided during the winter. Although he had been feeling unwell for some time, the end was unexpected and sudden and was due to heart trouble.

Mr. Lakin was a native of Pepperell, the son of Edmund and Clarice (Hosley) Lakin, and had lived all his life in the town. He was a native of the western part of the town, near Townsend Harbor. His grandfather was one of the defenders at Bunker Hill. Since the death of his wife about five years ago he has lived in town much of the time. He was seventy-nine years of age.

The deceased is survived by one daughter, Mrs. Jennie Lakin Gilbert; also by a brother, Nathaniel S. Lakin, who is also a farmer in the western part of the town, and by one sister, Mrs. Mary Shattuck, who resides on Franklin street.

Services were held at the home of his daughter on Friday afternoon of last week, Rev. Henry Shattuck, officiating. Interment was in Woodlawn cemetery. There was an abundance of flowers from many friends and acquaintances. The bearers were Joseph French, of Townsend; Mr. George M. Newhall, Lawrence Morgan and George Hamblet.

On Friday afternoon, April 17, William A. Chapman passed away at his late residence on Shirley street, a little over a week. Although it had been noted that he was becoming more infirm he was often seen on the street during the winter, and even up to within a few days of his death. He was taken on Thursday with an attack which seemed like acute indigestion. A physician was called who gave some relief, but on the return of the attack on Friday it was pronounced to be neuralgia around the head which proved fatal.

Mr. Chapman had lived in Pepperell all his life, being employed for years in Leighton Brothers' shoe factory. He is survived by a widow, two sons, Elbert G., who resides on Elm street, and William E., who resides on the lot adjoining his parents on Shirley street; also, by four grandchildren—Lloyd, son of Elbert, of Great Falls, Montana, and the three small children of William E. Chapman. He also had an aged brother, Mr. in the west, James Chapman, of Minneapolis, Minn.

Services were held at his late home on Monday afternoon, Rev. Dudley T. Child officiating, and interment was in Woodlawn cemetery. Wedding. The marriage of Miss Josephine Gardner and Charles William Lorden occurred at St. Joseph's church at nine o'clock, Wednesday morning, April 22. Rev. Thomas Coghlan officiating. The bride was Miss Josephine Gardner, of Dennis, Mass., from New York city, was best man. The bride was charmingly attired in white messaline, draped with tulle, and wore a veil caught up with flowers. A reception was held at the home of the groom on Taber street. Mr. and Mrs. Lorden left on the 12.20 train for a trip to New York City and on their return will begin housekeeping in the tenement already fitted up with the groom's parents on Taber street. The bride and groom were accompanied by many useful and beautiful presents.

The bride wore a traveling suit of blue cloth with white hat, and her friends at the station sprinkled her plentifully with confetti and rice.

Fine Recital. The concert given Tuesday evening, April 21, for the benefit of the District Nurses association was an unusual treat for Pepperell. Miss Mary H. Pumphrey, piano and Frank Stanley Tower, violin, played the following program with many encore numbers to an enthusiastic and appreciative audience: Saint Saens, Allegro Appassionato; Beethoven, Minuetto; Stecherhaffner, Marston; Chopin, Nocturne; Liszt, Hungarian Rhapsodie; Old Songs; Last Rose of Summer; I Love You Truly; Good Bye Sweet Day; Liszt, Hungarian Rhapsodie; Van Goens, Scherzo; Bocherini, Rondo.

Miss Pumphrey showed extraordinary command of technique in every number which she played. While brilliant characteristically playing ease and simplicity in her interpretation of the most difficult selections increased the charm of expression, felt by all. In Liszt's Hungarian Rhapsodie, especially, she amazed the audience by her skillful presentation of a composition of such difficulty.

Mr. Tower pleased his many friends in this town by remarkably sympathetic and expressive work on the piano. His playing of Van Goens' Scherzo and of the Rondo by Bocherini displayed a mastery technique which delighted his listeners, and his rendering of old songs touched them by its depth and sweetness. Throughout the program Mr. Tower showed himself a real artist.

Entertainment. The senior class of the high school gave an entertainment in Prescott hall, Friday evening, April 17. The following program was well received: Selection by the high school orchestra, recitations by Ivan Whitcomb and Harriet Hagerty, song by girls' chorus, song by boys' chorus, both of which were well received. The entertainment was given by the senior class, a chemistry experiment by Karl Newhall, Guy Nutting, Sidney Tower, Albert Pillsbury, Harlan Whitcomb and Edward Duffee.

An interesting part of the entertainment was the recitation of Macbeth. Preceding this scene a synopsis of the play was given by Kathleen Rouse. A piano solo by Adele Boynton concluded the program. The high school orchestra furnished the music for dancing which followed the program. This was closed by Principal Whitmarsh earlier than usual.

Nashua River Paper Company. The situation at the papermill, as it has developed, reveals the fact that the property has passed again into the management of its former owners, and is once more running under the name of Nashua River Paper Company, with George T. Keyes at the head of the concern. Many changes have already been made among the office force and mill operatives, and quite a few are out of employment as the result of the reorganization. Only three machines will be started now, and this necessarily lessens the number of all the working force. The mill at Hollingsworth's is running full.

The townspeople are generally inclined to take a hopeful view of the situation and look for better times, as it seems evident that owners residing in town will be more interested in the property than as though they lived in Pennsylvania.

Annual Meeting. At the annual meeting of the Woman's club held on Tuesday afternoon a half hour's most interesting talk on the "Ravines, wild flowers and ferns" was given by Mrs. Susan E. Tucker. This being the annual meeting the election of officers was held, resulting as follows: Mrs. J. Luetta Boynton, pres.; Mrs. Elizabeth E. Tait, Mrs. Louise B. Chapman, rec. sec.; Mrs. Alice W. Miller, cor. sec.; Mrs. May E. Tarbell, treas.; Mrs. Abbie C. Woodward, cust.; Mrs. Martha M. Denham, aud.; Mrs. Gertrude S. Taylor, Mrs. W. D. Saunders and Mrs. Evelyn W. Kemp, directors for two years.

At the conclusion of the meeting the retiring president, Mrs. Lovejoy, was presented with a shining gold piece, as a token of appreciation for her services to the ladies of the club with whom she has worked so faithfully. The presentation was made by Mrs. Tower and gracefully acknowledged by Mrs. Lovejoy.

News Items. Leroy Card had a narrow escape on Wednesday morning from a serious accident. His horse became unmanageable and the boy was pulled along under the horse's heels and was in fact on the ground when by quick twist of one rein the animal was turned into the dump near the covered bridge and was stopped by Adam Raffles and Mr. Lorden. Roy was started again right side up none the worse for the incident.

Roger Robbins, a senior at Tufts college, spent a few days last week at his home on Elliot street. Lillian Frost returned on Monday from Proctorville, Vt., after a two-weeks' visit with her sister, Mrs. Leon Farr. Bernard Shattuck, of Boston, spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. George Shattuck, on Main street. Arthur Bolles, cashier at the Hotel Touraine, Boston, is enjoying a short vacation with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Frank Bolles, on Heald street. Rev. J. B. Lewis, of Huntington, will supply the pulpit at the Congregational church on Sunday morning and evening.

The first game of ball came on Monday afternoon in which the high school was defeated in seven innings by a score of 6 to 2. The town team was faster and stronger.

The new suits have arrived. The first interscholastic game will come on April 25 at Groton.

The debate between Milford and Pepperell high schools is scheduled for May 14 at Prescott hall. A small admission will be charged. The money received will be used for athletics. The debate will be a double one, of interest and everybody should plan to attend.

We hope the girls will get busy and form tennis clubs for inter-class games and games with other high schools.

The high school paper is not having the sale it should have to make itself self-supporting. Why do not more pupils take hold and try to sell copies? A half dozen pupils cannot do all the work.

By some oversight all of the advertisements contributed were not included in the snowball. The money will be refunded to every advertiser who was omitted. We shall not defraud anyone deliberately, and every mistake will be rectified as far as possible.

The class day parts were assigned on Monday as follows: Oration, Newhall; history, Breen; prophecy, Irene Whitcomb; statistics, Ruth O'Neil; will, Pillsbury; poem, Bernice Holmes; ode, Mildred Sartelle; presentation of gifts, Sidney Tower. The pupils who will appear on the program are: Newhall, Whitcomb, Duffy, Sullivan, Miss Hagerty, Miss Hall, Miss Rouse and Breen.

There are seven more weeks of school. Time perhaps for some pupils to crawl up to the pass-mark. Call from Miss H. H. H. of the Boston Conservatory of Music on Wednesday morning.

Candidates for college, at present, are Newhall and Breen; for Normal school, Harriet Hagerty and Irene Whitcomb.

D. A. R. Prudence Wright chapter, D. A. R., celebrated Patriots' day by holding its regular monthly meeting on Saturday, April 18. This was the first meeting of the group in the chapter house and was very well attended. In the absence of the regent, Mrs. Gutterson, in Washington to attend the Continental congress, the vice-regent, Mrs. Blood, presided. Delegates and alternate to the officers of each house. Mrs. Reed and after the routine business was disposed of the hostesses of the afternoon, Mrs. Hutchinson, Mrs. Reed and Mrs. Wright, presented a short, but interesting program, consisting in part of an historical paper by Mrs. Reed and an original tale, "The haunted village," by Miss Sibley. The historian's April item was a brief account of the famous ride of Paul Revere and William Dawkins on April 18, 1775. Refreshments and a social hour ended the afternoon.

The Heavens in April. The sky is a field filled with much glory this year when all of the seven planets are visible during at least part of the month, four in the evening and three in the morning. Mercury was farthest from the sun on the sixth and as the seasons on this planet are contrary to those on Earth, it will be at its winter on Mercury.

Venus is moving rapidly away from the sun. On the first of April the planet was in the constellation of Gemini and on April 30 this interval will have increased to nearly two hours and at the end of the month it will be in Taurus, south of the Pleiades, and will be by far the most brilliant object in the evening sky.

The most visible throughout the month and farthest from the sun on the 25th, Mars is receding from the earth and the combined effect of these two planets is the most brilliant object in the morning sky, rising on the first at about 2:20 a. m. and on the 30th at about 1:30 a. m. Saturn will be visible in the early evening hours. It set about 11:20 p. m. on the first and will set about 8:30 p. m. on the 30th. Uranus is in the southeast after midnight. Neptune is seen through the telescope; it is near Mars.

The days gain in length now giving us fourteen hours of daylight at the end of the month. We have already passed the vernal equinox which regulates the date of Easter in the christian calendar.

Methodist Church Notes. "The golden rule" will be the subject next Sunday morning. At seven in the evening there will be a service upon the text, "Thou shalt love thy neighbor as thyself." There ought you to have done and not to leave the other undone.

The bright hour service of the Epworth league will be held at six o'clock. Why any one should sign the temperance pledge. Leader, Mrs. P. R. Stratton.

There will be a meeting of the finance committee Monday at 7:30 p. m. The Tuesday evening service will be held at 7:30 o'clock. The Bible study and teaching training class at 8:30 p. m. The regular business meeting of the Epworth league will be held on Friday at 7:30 p. m. The annual election of officers and other important business will come before this meeting.

Harvard. The Nineteenth of April saw quite a number of home-comers and visitors, among them being Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Muller, of Lynn, and Misses Agnes and Nellie Joyce, of Boston, with their mother, Mrs. Bridget Joyce; Miss Minnie Farnsworth, of Boston, and Miss Edith Farnsworth, of Springfield, with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Farnsworth; Malcolm Campbell, of Amherst Agricultural college, at Mrs. E. P. Scales; Luther H. Bateman, of Arlington, at F. W. Bateman's; Edna Flanders, of Worcester, at E. D. Stone and daughter; Ruth of Ayer, at Mrs. Annie Flanders; Norman Marshall and children, of West Newton, at his sister's, Miss Alice M. Marshall.

Tuesday evening Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Hutchinson took Mrs. Jennie Willard, F. W. Bateman, Edna Bateman, Thomas Muller, of Lynn, and Misses Agnes and Nellie Joyce, of Boston, with their mother, Mrs. Bridget Joyce; Miss Minnie Farnsworth, of Boston, and Miss Edith Farnsworth, of Springfield, with their parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. A. Farnsworth; Malcolm Campbell, of Amherst Agricultural college, at Mrs. E. P. Scales; Luther H. Bateman, of Arlington, at F. W. Bateman's; Edna Flanders, of Worcester, at E. D. Stone and daughter; Ruth of Ayer, at Mrs. Annie Flanders; Norman Marshall and children, of West Newton, at his sister's, Miss Alice M. Marshall.

The people of West Groton have been considering this problem and I have no other suggestions to offer, feeling that they know more about it than I. It is unfortunate that we have not easy and frequent communication between the two villages of West Groton and the Center. As it is, many phases of work have to be duplicated by the two villages. We are really one town with the same interests. Anything which affects one village affects the other, and as communication grows easier, we shall be able to do all our work together. While the need is not so great as it has been I still think that we can help. The prosperity of the community which is dependent in some degree upon the character of the mill hands is the prosperity of the whole town and I wish to emphasize my feeling that this work can easily

A family have moved into the north tenement of Viles Parker house. The man works on Clifford Dudley's farm. Mrs. Lucy Townsend was called to Barre, Vt., last week on account of the illness of her grandmother.

Hubert Robinson and lady, of Fitchburg, were guests of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Robinson, Sunday.

Mrs. Walter Haskell is entertaining another from Nashua. Chester Willard is repairing and enlarging the coal sheds at the railroad station formerly owned by A. A. Hutchinson.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Haskell celebrated their tenth wedding anniversary by visiting in Boston on Monday.

It is not to be expected that the school committee will be pioneers in all phases of progress in the schools. They are very busy trying to keep the wheels of public opinion from slipping. An example of this is seen in school garden work which was first started by the village in Groton society and being successful was taken up by the town with the approval of the selectmen of each town.

We have made improvements over the schools of our grandmothers' day in our ideas of what shall be taught and in the science of teaching. The sanitary conditions are much as they were fifty years ago in the little red schoolhouses which have also survived. I have been reading conclusions of the National Council of Education in co-operation with a special committee of the American Education Society on health problems in schools. They say "400 cities look after the health of their school children, but not one state in five cares for the physical training of children in rural districts." This committee has been studying for two years the health of children in rural schools under the direction of Dr. Thomas D. Wood, Columbia university. They cite statistics from every state, specific instances from Massachusetts, Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Virginia. The data collected shows a larger percentage of defective children in the rural districts.

Wherever urban and rural statistics were contrasted the country child was found to be anywhere from five to twenty percent more defective than the city child. Statistics from twenty-five cities were studied and 431 rural districts in Pennsylvania, Massachusetts, Cape May and Cumberland county, N. J., Saunooke county, Idaho, Orange county, Va. They showed mental defectives, rural 8 percent, city 2 percent; heart troubles, rural 14 percent, city 10 percent; eye defects 3.1 percent, rural 2.98 percent.

I wish I might quote from this report. It is a staggering document. I hope that the showing that Massachusetts made and that our town could make is much better than the statistics. We have town water for the large proportion of our schools, but in the high school building no town water not analyzed. So far as known no one had died from ill effects of the water, but where it costs only the trouble and expense of making it seem worth while to know whether the water is good or not.

In the high school building until recently there has been no opportunity to wash the hands and no towels. Children came on the cars and from a distance in teams, stayed at home, ball, marbles, etc., ate cold dinners and went home without ever having an opportunity to make their hands clean. This is probably a true picture of the other school buildings. Are we satisfied with this showing? A set bowl in every schoolhouse cannot be an expensive, paper towels come in rolls and can be torn from the roll like toilet paper. Is there any excuse for this condition so unsanitary?

Within a short time paper towels have been bought and placed in some schools to see if it is possible to use them regularly to all the schools. "It would seem as if the plan would admit of a ready answer. Are we proud of our record?"

In my school days children were always getting hurt, jammed fingers, etc. I do not know that anything happens nowadays, but if it does the only first aid to the injured, I am told, is the handkerchief which is not so effective as an up-to-date sanitary system. It would seem as if a small sum of money well spent would improve matters from a hygienic and educational material. In New York city they had and probably still have a system which provides for the use of paper towels, each board having two free schools, which they visited, and from time to time this board made suggestions of improvements to the school boards, which if not accepted, the women could appeal to a higher authority.

Miss Lakin, one of our Groton girls, who is doing good work in that city, much of it pioneer work, was one of that committee of women. She noticed an investigation it appeared if a child had some eyes or other small ailments he was sent home to have his eyes, etc., attended to by his parents. The only knowing what to do, the child was no better the next day, and so much of schooling was lost. Miss Lakin said that they are allowed to fit out a small room in each of the three schoolhouses and that a nurse should be in attendance each morning at such times as the nurses' settlement to pay costs. The decrease of absenteeism was most marked. So successful was the plan that the school committee adopted it for those schools, paying expenses, and eventually it was adopted over all New York city and the system of employing nurses for schools in the cities has spread rapidly over the whole country.

The employment of such nurses extended to the rural schools. The busy physician can make an examination of the children but a nurse can not only supplement his work, but would have time to know the condition of each child and to work with the parents in seeing that the child was not do not know whether we would have the right to appropriate money for a school nurse, but if we cannot do it now by our influence, let us endeavor to induce the legislature to pass a law to make it permissible for an obligatory of the towns to employ nurses for schools.

We secured an appropriation for payment of a district nurse for families who are unable to pay for such services, as asking the town to pay for nursing necessitated the printing of names of those thus helped, the money remained in the treasury of the town. There are not so many persons who need a district nurse among those who own a horse, a cow, a pig, a dog and have to go without such services. It does not seem possible, although it is done in some neighboring towns, that we should have a school nurse by voluntary contributions. Perhaps by a house to house canvass, if each family would pledge something each year, we might have one. We might combine the school nurse and district nurse, we might secure one, and she would be the only one. We are, I think, the first town of our size in the country to employ a district nurse, and it seems a pity not to keep on in the good work.

I think the important part of civic betterment is to help the individual, especially the young. We are also a part of the work to improve the physical features of the town. We are fortunate in our natural advantages, hill and dale, a number of small lakes and an amphitheatre of mountains, fourteen to be seen on a clear day, eight or even ten on a hazy day. The fog or smoke which have been seen in the Massachusetts towns which are considered the most beautiful in the state, are not so much a nuisance as they are. We have more beautiful main street by nature than ours—neither on a dead level or hilly, but a gentle undulating. Then, too, it is not a straight street, but a winding one, and by design it is unfortunate that we cannot know to what we are indebted for the beautiful curves are worthy of the best landscape gardeners of the present day. Even our rural roads have these same beautiful curves, rarely giving way to the necessities of the automobile that there may be no collisions between them and the carriages and foot passengers. (To be continued.)

Otis H. Forbush, auctioneer, will sell the entire herd of cows, and heifers, consisting of twenty choice cows, seven and one bull, the property of Daniel Lynch, Causeway, Medford, on Friday afternoon, May 1, at 1:30 o'clock.

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