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TOWNSEND

Center. Friends in town of Dr. Clarence Chandler, of Fitchburg, note with interest the announcement of his wife's recent acceptance of the position of soprano soloist in the mixed quartet choir of the Rogers Memorial church in Fairhaven, one of the most desirable church positions in New England. Not only is the church one of the handsomest edifices in New England, but from the beginning its music has been conducted on an especially high standard and its quartet choir has invariably been made up of well-known Boston and New York singers. While many applications had been made for the vacancy the position has been offered twice to Mrs. Chandler during the past few weeks.

Mrs. John R. Freeman, of Providence, who was a visitor in our village during the summer months and enjoyed the privileges of our public library, has recently presented the library with a gift of appreciation—two new books, entitled "Once upon a time in Delaware" and "Once upon a time in Providence," written by Katherine Pyle and published by the Colonial Dames.

At the Townsend Brotherhood banquet to be held on Tuesday evening, December 7, Dr. Charlton will deliver the lecture, "Adrift and at anchor."

At the Congregational church Sun-

day morning Rev. A. L. Struthers' sermon subject will be "The elder brother." C. E. evening topic, "Mission work in our community." Leader, Miss Twombly.

At the Methodist church on Sunday Dr. Charlton will preach in the morning a sermon appropriate to the new ecclesiastical year. In the evening he will exchange with Rev. Joseph MacKean, of West Townsend.

Miss Hattie Smith and Miss Margaret Struthers, of Fairhaven, arrived home on Wednesday evening to spend the holiday and week-end with their parents.

Mrs. Abbie Finnegan, who is in the homeopathic hospital, Boston, for the removal of cataract, is improving as well as could be expected.

Mrs. Blanche Wheeler and the Misses Helen and Caroline Kendall, of Boston, were the holiday guests of Mr. and Mrs. C. W. Hilliard.

On Friday evening, December 3, the "Big Three" will hold a dance in Memorial hall. Music provided by Thayer's orchestra, of Pepperell.

Mrs. L. U. Clement has been enjoying a few days' visit this week with friends in Worcester.

Frank B. Higgins attended the Harvard-Yale football game at the Stadium last Saturday.

The next meeting of the Monday club will be held with Mrs. Robert

Pessenden, hostess Monday evening, November 30, gentlemen's night.

Mrs. Lizzie Hildreth has closed her house on Elm street and will spend the winter with her sister, Mrs. Sarah Howard, in Lowell.

Mr. and Mrs. George French entertained a family gathering of nine over Thanksgiving. The same number, including the three Piper brothers, and their families, gathered about the festive board at the home of Mr. and Mrs. John Piper, Judge C. F. Worcester and family spent the holiday in Winthrop as guests of Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Worcester, where the Worcester family reunion was held.

Word was received in town Monday morning of the death from heart trouble of George L. Dix, of Leominster, aged sixty-seven years. Mr. Dix was a native of this town and resided here for a number of years at the Park hotel with his father, the late William Dix, proprietor of the hotel, twenty-one years ago Mr. Dix, with his wife, left town and have since resided in Leominster. Mrs. Martha Blood, of this town, a sister of the deceased, attended the funeral which was held Wednesday from his late home in Leominster. Interment was in Leominster.

PEPPERELL

News Items.

Rev. and Mrs. Dudley B. Child were "at home" to their friends and members of the First Parish at their residence on Monday afternoon and evening. It was the most brilliant social event of the season. The host and hostess proving themselves thoroughly proficient in the fine art of entertaining. They were assisted in their hospitality by Mrs. H. W. Hutchinson, Mrs. M. Gage, Jr., Mrs. Leon Richardson, Mrs. C. A. Mills, Mrs. C. G. Heald, Miss Nellie Mayhew and Miss Ethel Lillibridge, who served refreshments. The members of Mrs. Child's class, Clifford Bailey and Edward McCord, acted as ushers.

The Boy Scouts assembled at the home of Harold Copp on Wednesday evening of last week to listen to an instructive talk on "first aid" given by Miss Hays, the district nurse. This is one of the essentials in their work and a very important one.

Miss Virginia Stockwell of Boston visited at the home of her nephew, Rev. D. R. Child, last week.

The public schools closed Wednesday afternoon, allowing the teachers the privilege of spending Thanksgiving day and the week-end at their homes.

A reunion of the Woodward family was held at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Spargeon Outherson on Thanksgiving day. Mrs. Outherson's mother, Mrs. M. E. Woodward, came from Hanover, N. H.; Guy Woodward and wife from Dedham; Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Hutchinson and family from Milford, N. H.; and Arthur Branch, from Stratford, Conn.

A council-fire meeting of the Pennequin circle with every member present was held with their guardian, Mrs. W. H. Beers, on Monday evening. Plans have been made for a special meeting of both the Pegasus and Pennequin circles to be held in one week, Monday evening, November 29, at the home of Mrs. H. N. Tower.

Miss Hays, the district nurse, will speak to them on hygienic subjects and give instruction on "first aid."

None of the deer hunters in this vicinity report any "first" with a return of only 27 killed in Middlesex county this is not surprising. It is also concluded that the drive made by the hunters during the recent fox hunt may have frightened the deer into the thicker woods.

Mr. and Mrs. Henry Hill moved here this week from Fitchburg. Mr. Hill is employed at the Champion Card shop.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Greene, of Boston, were Thanksgiving guests of Mr. and Mrs. Harris Tarbell.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard Lynch, from Leominster, and Bert Lynch, from Billerica, were guests Thanksgiving day at the home of their sister, Mrs. W. J. Rouse.

Friends of Mr. and Mrs. Allan Parker are glad to learn of their safe arrival at their destination. Postals were received from them at their stopping place, Savannah, Ga., and this week from Orlando, Fla. Mr. Parker stood the trip remarkably well and he and his wife, with the old fellow and his old dog, they have already made friends in their new winter home. With the ground white with snow as we write, we congratulate them on their warmer location.

Mr. and Mrs. Clarence A. Cook entertained Mr. and Mrs. J. P. Brown and daughters, Helen and Marion, Mrs. Harriet Warner and Mr. and Mrs. Edward L. Greene, all of South Lancaster, at the New Prescott over Thanksgiving.

Miss Fannie Peabody of Lunenburg visited her relative, Mrs. S. E. Patch, until Wednesday evening.

The condition of David Weston, of Pleasant street, remains about the same. He suffers considerable pain which tends to weaken him, and is allowed but few visitors as he is extremely nervous. He received Rev. Mr. Noon, a former pastor, who was in town on Tuesday, but suffered after effects. Mrs. George Buck, his daughter, is still with him, Mr. Buck having returned last week to his position in a paper mill in Maine.

LITTLETON

News Items.

The Thanksgiving service on Thursday morning at the Congregational church was well attended and of much interest. Miss Emma E. Tenney, of Lowell, was the soloist. Thanksgiving selections were rendered by a choir consisting of Frank Piper, Misses Gladys and Beatrice Woodbury, Mr. Whitney and F. H. Woodbury. Rev. H. I. Calkins read selections of scripture and offered prayer. The spirit of the occasion was voiced in a very fitting sermon by Rev. O. J. Fairfield from the text, "Wherefore, receiving, let us have grace whereby we may offer service well pleasing to God, with reverence and awe." The vastness of the service after the harvest season was felt by those in attendance.

The young people's choir rendered three Thanksgiving anthems at the morning service of the Baptist church last Sunday. The choir consisted of Misses Gladys and Beatrice Woodbury, Elsie Whitney, Edith Whitcomb

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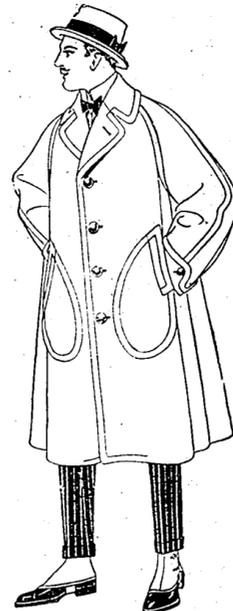
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WESTFORD

Center. The Unitarian parish is to be congratulated upon again having a resident pastor. Mr. and Mrs. Buckhorn are pleasantly established for the winter in Mrs. Skidmore's cottage on Depot street. Their new telephone number is 46-4.

Mrs. J. Herbert Fletcher and son John are enjoying a week's vacation in Ludlow, Vt.

Thanksgiving service was held at the vestry on Wednesday evening.

Mr. and Mrs. John Wilson and Miss Jennie M. Chandler were guests for the holiday at John M. Fletcher's.

Bert Walker's many friends are glad of continued good reports of him from the hospital. Not until the first of this week did his attending physicians pronounce him out of danger and it will be some time yet before he will be able to move home.

Mrs. Hazel B. Hartford, who has played the organ at the Congregational church so acceptably and efficiently the past two winters, resumes this work commencing Sunday.

The Arthur E. Day's are making quite extensive alterations and improvements in their home.

Mrs. Edmund Day quietly and pleasantly observed her eighty-third birthday at her home on Tuesday of this week. The day was made pleasant by comfortable health and calls and messages from friends. Mrs. Day went with Mr. and Mrs. Watson to spend Thanksgiving day with the Groton kinpeople.

A good delegation from the C. E. society went to Lowell on Monday evening to a temperance mass meeting under the auspices of the Lowell C. E. union at the Congregational church and listened to the fine address of D. A. Polling, associate president of the United Society of C. E. His subject was "The dawn of national prohibition." A supper and social hour preceded the program.

Among those who went from here were Rev. and Mrs. David Wallace and Miss Helen Wallace, Mr. and Mrs. William C. Houdenshush, Mr. and Mrs. A. E. Day, Otis Day, Charles Roby, Miss Young, Miss Edith Wright, Leonard Burland, Harry Edith, Mrs. Day, L. W. Wheeler and Miss Mabel Prescott.

Oscar R. Spalding has been having alterations and improvements in the interior of his main barn.

Mr. and Mrs. Leonard W. Wheeler spent their Thanksgiving with relatives in Newport, R. I.

Among those entertaining large family groups for Thanksgiving were the H. V. Hildreths, A. W. Hartford, Mrs. Francis H. Prescott and Rev. and Mrs. David Wallace.

Miss Loker and Miss Bunch went to Lowell to spend the holiday with the Misses Carrie and Maria Bunch.

Very stormy weather impaired the success of the Ladies' Aid sale and recreational vestry last week Friday afternoon and evening of last week. There were sales tables for fancy articles and aprons and tea cream and cakes were on sale. The entertainment in the evening was excellent and it was regretted that the storm kept so many away. Following the program, piano duet, Miss Julia Fletcher and Mrs. Watson; reading, Mrs. Belle Harrington Hall, of Lowell; Mrs. Taylor; Mrs. Fenner; Mrs. Hall; Mrs. Taylor and Mrs. Pease; reading, Mrs. Hall; solo, Leonard Burland; reading, Mrs. Hall; duet, "Land of Dreams," Mrs. Fenner and Mrs. Taylor.

Considerable work is being done at Whitney playground putting it in order for the winter, shrubbery being moved, top soiling, etc.

About Town. Rev. Julian B. Pennington, formerly of the Unitarian church here, is enjoying a series of interesting addresses in Charleston, W. Va., Sunday mornings and evenings.

The Alliance of the First Parish church will hold a food sale in the vestry of the church on Monday afternoon of next week.

The next meeting of Middlesex North Pond Grange will be held on Friday, December 3, at Odd Fellows' hall, Bridge street, Lowell. The meeting session will be devoted to a discussion of "Woods on the farm," "Woods in the garden," George W. Trull; "Woods of the mind," Mrs. W. A. Sherburne; "Woods for medicine," Mrs. E. F. Hildreth. The afternoon will be provided for by Hon. Edward Fisher, personally or by proxy.

Noak Swanson, Jr., has bought the barn and land of Arthur G. Boynton lying between the Chelmsford Road and the road leading past the house formerly owned by Trueworthy Keyes. This land once being a part of the Keyes farm. Mr. Swanson is intending building a house.

The woods on Francis hill are all alive with the nimble grey squirrels after the close of the open season. Tree food being scarce they are patrolling down the wooded hillsides for corn from the barn of the Old Oaken Bucket farm. It is wonderful how efficient and hungry provides such efficient and speedy transportation. Lug and tug away Mr. Squirrel, you are such an asset to life as the corn you are housing in your home in the forest for winter.

At the Agricultural Extension school which meets in Westford from January 17 to 21, the following teachers will have charge: Fruits, A. W. Rees; poultry, A. G. Dunn; dairy, Prof. W. F. Turner; soil fertility to be announced; home economics, Prof. Laura Comstock and Miss Marie Sawyer. The committee in charge are going to push for a large attendance and everybody not on the committee are invited to get into the push line and give the old town the appearance of a "together" dwelling place.

The mail on the Lowell road from

the Old Oaken Bucket farm on to wards Westford still adheres to the center of gravitation at Westford Center, notwithstanding the advice of "Send your mail to Chelmsford." Under the new revolution there is miles of travel for a half inch of business that don't come to a cent.

Westford station was broken into again Tuesday evening and a general ransacking followed.

Don't forget the farmers' institute which meets in Westford during the second week in December.

Grange. At the last meeting of the Grange there was a lively tilt and fro with Littleton Grange on the question: Resolved, "That whoever voted against striking out the word male from the constitution of Massachusetts at the recent state election voted against the fundamental principles of American liberty." There were an equal amount of arguments for and against the question, the constitution, declaration of independence, preambles, by-laws, resolves and other sideights being given the forenoon of the meeting.

The negative side won out on the vote, which was argued by Charles A. Kimball, George A. Cook, and Ivan Russell for Littleton. The affirmative side was supported by the ammunition of sharp arguments. The Westford batteries were manned by Herbert E. Fletcher, J. W. Kaffer, S. L. Taylor. Like the State Grange, the Grange voted against loosening the moorings by which it is tethered against the innovation of equal suffrage.

Grantville. The members of Cameron Circle, C. F. of A., held a very interesting meeting in their rooms on Tuesday evening of last week.

Several candidates were initiated. "Hanson's Hustlers" and "Hall's Hustlers" were bowling teams which met in Lowell, on last Saturday night and the Hustlers won by 1251 to 1256, taking three games out of four and winning the series.

Local bowling teams are now very much in evidence and the weekly and semi-weekly games played between the different associations are causing a great deal of interest.

Not one of the local hunters were fortunate enough in making a killing during the open season on deer, although several of the nimrods reported that they made some excellent shots, but the animals always got away.

Many of the local followers of horse racing took in the races at the Golden Cove park in Lowell on Thanksgiving afternoon.

The mills of the Abbot Worsted Company were closed on Thursday, Friday and Saturday this week and will start up again at the usual time on Monday morning.

After the sessions on Wednesday afternoon the sergeant school will remain closed until Monday.

Although we have enjoyed excellent weather of late the mill pond has already been frozen over a couple of times this season.

Forge Village. The regular meeting of the W. C. T. U. was held at the home of Mrs. Lionel Goucher on Wednesday afternoon.

Mrs. Amadee Canton lies critically ill at her home. She is the mother of twelve children, the youngest of whom is but a week old.

There was no meeting of the Ladies' Sewing circle held this week owing to the holiday.

Abbot & Company closed down their mills on Wednesday for four days. Work will be resumed again on Monday.

The Young People's Social club of St. Andrew's mission held their meeting on Tuesday evening in Recreation hall. Mrs. Warren Sargis had charge and proved a most interesting and instructive evening.

The go-to-church campaign which has been conducted at St. Andrew's mission has been the best for the past few weeks was brought to a successful close last Sunday. The services were conducted by Rev. Thomas L. Fisher, of St. Mark's Episcopal church, Leonard Burland, and members of the choir. The church was filled to the doors, people attending from Grantville, Ayer, Groton and Amherst. A very pleasing feature of the service was the singing of the vested choir of "The peace of Jerusalem." After the services the Leonard Burland and members of the Brotherhood of St. Andrews, with Rev. Thomas L. Fisher as guest of honor, were entertained at ten by the members of St. Andrew's choir.

Mr. Howard is to be congratulated on the success of the campaign of trees and shrubs along the borders. She also spoke of the Massachusetts plan of beautifying the circuit highway.

The setting out of white pines was suggested as a profitable and practical undertaking in many sections of this state now hardly more than waste territory. The expense, comparatively small—scarcely twelve dollars to the acre—might well repay the outlay. The names of the best shade trees were enumerated, but the climatic soil source of beauty and pride, was omitted because of the pests that have preyed upon it in recent years.

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Mr. and Mrs. John H. Hardy, Jr., have visited in her former home, Hyde Park, Vt., this week.

Mrs. A. W. Knowlton was the Thanksgiving guest of her cousins, the Fred Parkers, in Somerville.

Leonard Roberts is expected home for the holiday season.

John Merrillfield has bought the house and land on New Estate road belonging formerly to LeRoy Jowett, and he has also purchased a small territory of F. C. Hartwell adjoining the Jewett land.

The D. G. Houghton family entertained the Priest families on Thanksgiving day.

The Alliance will meet on Friday afternoon at the Unitarian vestry for its December meeting. Music will be furnished by Mrs. Martha Jones. The address will be given by Rev. Charles T. Billings, who is just closing a pastorate of nineteen years in Lowell and is going to Belmont. His subject will be "Our Unitarian mission."

The meeting of young people at 6.30 Sunday evening in the Unitarian vestry will be devoted to hymn singing, using the church hymnal. There are many evidences which point to a revival of the singing of church hymns, and for this meeting the invitation is extended to all who wish to help by their voice or by their presence.

Rev. O. J. Fairfield's sermon subject for Sunday morning will be "The church of the modern spirit—its opportunity and its duty." The collection of fruits and vegetables brought to the Unitarian Sunday school last Sunday was sent to the Rutland place on Tuesday and left for distribution through their charity work among the poor of Boston.

Mrs. Lawrence is spending the holidays in Woodville.

Fred Reed has added a second automobile for the conveyance of passengers and either he or one of his assistants meets nearly all the trains at Littleton station, thereby furnishing prompt service to a grateful public.

Miss Fannie Sanderson and Mrs. Gertrude Houghton went as delegates to the West Acton Woman's club on Monday, where president's day was observed. Miss Howard was unable to accept the invitation because the Littleton club claimed first attention.

A landscape gardener has been in town this last week and looked over the grounds at the Union and West schools. He offers a proposition by means of little expense to provide some of the public-spirited men will give the use of their teams and services for a short time. Following his suggestions the townspeople can convert the grounds about the Union building into one of the prettiest and most convenient school yards. The West school yard has also splendid possibilities.

L. W. C. The Littleton Woman's club held a good-sized and enthusiastic meeting on Monday afternoon. The few matters of business were quickly dispatched, and the president announced the program. Mrs. G. W. Prouty sang two songs, "The Cause of You," accompanied at the piano by Mrs. Marion Christie, and Miss Emma Tenney played two instrumental pieces. The two ladies making a pleasant musical introduction to the afternoon.

In the absence of the chairman of the conservation committee, the president, Miss Howard, presided over the speaker, Mrs. Joseph Leach, of Walpole, chairman of the State Federation committee on conservation, who gave a broad, thoughtful and very suggestive address on "Conservation." This subject, which has been under consideration but comparatively few years, is more and more receiving the active attention of federal and state government, municipalities and private individuals. Large districts are yearly set out with trees by the national government and still the possibilities are almost infinite. Massachusetts contains thousands of acres of land that might profitably be forested. Shade trees have not yet been planted in many of our towns. Littleton is among the towns that have not neglected the planting of shade trees, and the speaker commended our citizens for their activities in beautifying the roads and highways.

The benefits to water supply, commerce, health, homes and protection of birds, etc., were faithfully enumerated in Mrs. Leach's plea for reforesting the deserted areas left bare by the lumbermen. She urged the encouragement of home and school gardens where women and children might profitably spend much time and yield pleasure to many through the gratification of their aesthetic taste.

The Lincoln highway, that great memorial to one of our honored presidents, will be beautified in time by the individual states through which it passes. From New York to San Francisco, by the planting of trees and shrubs along the borders. She also spoke of the Massachusetts plan of beautifying the circuit highway.

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HARVARD

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Messrs. Lee and Fairbanks are putting on the finish work of Mrs. F. E. Hirsch's new house on Lover's Lane. Mrs. Hirsch expects to occupy soon.

John Morozov is quite ill at his home, but is expected as improving. Miss Mary Morozov is at the farm with her aunt, Miss Ellen Morozov.

Messrs. Maynard and Dadman have a good laugh in store for this Saturday evening's movies in "The O.G.H." "The mollycoddle" and "A child comedy." The feature reel will be the first of the "Navy of the navy" series.

The ladies of the Congregational church will give their annual church fair on Friday afternoon, December 3, opening at two o'clock. The tables representing the seven societies of women will be featured in the arrangement of the hall. Supper will be served in the lower hall at six and seven o'clock. At eight o'clock there will be a four-act comedy. The proceeds will be given with the following in the cast: James L. Peters, A. S. Branson, Arthur T. West, Reuben A. Reed, Benjamin Keyes, Harriet Thayer, Marjorie Thomas, F. Amsden and Dorothy Peters—a very breezy comedy full of good situations and humorous dialogues.

Mrs. E. W. Moses closed her summer home here Tuesday and left for Providence, R. I.

The next meeting of the class for the study of parliamentary law will be held at the Hazood Memorial rooms on Monday afternoon, November 29, at 2.30 o'clock. The third and fourth chapters of Mrs. Shattuck's manual will be discussed.

The following are the names of those changing high school in arithmetic work that has been done at home for a period of four weeks: Fidella and Flora Campbell, Alwood Dickson, Arthur Bigelow, grade eight; Alice Pottius and Priest, Elizabeth Sheehan, Wynne Cleaves, grade eight.

The special music at the Unitarian church on Sunday will be given as a duet by Malcolm Campbell and Miss Elvira C. Scorgie.

On Monday evening Mrs. Eugenia Barnard Whitney, wife of James L. Whitney, of this town, passed from this to a higher life. Her death came suddenly, although not unexpected. For several months she has been a sufferer from a cancerous trouble and although she received the best medical treatment and has had all that medical skill could do for her she could not rally to health again. For her bereaved husband and daughter, whose family circle is thus broken, deepest sympathy is felt. Mrs. Whitney bore her suffering with extreme fortitude and courage, and for her devoted husband and daughter, whose family circle is thus broken, deepest sympathy is felt. Mrs. Whitney bore her suffering with extreme fortitude and courage, and for her devoted husband and daughter, whose family circle is thus broken, deepest sympathy is felt.

Funeral services were held at the Unitarian church at two o'clock on Wednesday afternoon. Rev. H. B. Mason conducting the service. H. B. Thayer officiated at the musical selections. Burial was in Bellevue cemetery. The deceased was fifty-seven years of age. Beautiful floral offerings were sent to the respect and affection of a large circle of friends.

Church Notes. The morning preaching service at the Congregational church Sunday will be in charge of the pastor. Music in charge of Mr. West.

The bible school will meet at twelve o'clock. At the session last Sunday an expression of opinion in regard to the building of a new church was called and the result was an almost unanimous vote in favor of the same.

The Y. P. S. C. E. service on Sunday evening at seven o'clock will be in the form of an illustrated lecture, entitled "In Indian Territory." This lecture deals with one of the branches of work done by the American Missionary association and gives a faithful presentation of the present day conditions and problems to be found among the Redmen.

The Pro Christo Missionary circle of young ladies will meet in the chapel on Saturday afternoon of this week at 2.30 o'clock.

At the meeting of the Monday club this week current events were presented by Miss Celia Bagster. Papers on topics of English history were read by Misses Pollard, Jones, Farwell and Reed.

In the response to the call for contributions for the needs of the N. E. Home for Little Wanderers provisions sufficient to fill a barrel were received, together with a large quantity of other material. The money contributions amounted to nearly six dollars.

At the morning service on Sunday the usual annual offering will be taken for the benefit of the Christmas fund of the bible school.

New Advertisements. IN MEMORIAM Whitney. In loving memory of Augustus L. Whitney—June 15, 1845—Nov. 26, 1915. Addie H. Whitney, Ralph A. Whitney.

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SHIRLEY

News Items.

The Shirley Boy Scouts held a social last week Friday evening at the Shirley Inn.

The Jubilee Singers at Odd Fellows hall last week Friday evening, given under the auspices of Old Shirley chapter, were well received.

A linen shower was tendered Miss Esther Harris last week on Tuesday evening at the Altrurian club rooms.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold their regular monthly meeting and supper on Wednesday evening, December 1. Supper served at seven o'clock.

Old Shirley chapter, D. A. R., met with Mrs. Hattie W. Evans on Tuesday evening. A goodly number of members, with two guests, were present.

In a strenuous game of football on last Saturday the Shirley Industrial school team was defeated by Fitchburg high 16 to 2.

Mr. and Mrs. John G. Conant entertained on Thanksgiving day their daughter and family.

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Rev. G. E. Woodman was one of the speakers at the Fitchburg Ministers' Union on Monday.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Tewksbury entertained at their home on Thanksgiving day Mr. and Mrs. William Gale and son Perry, of Fitchburg.

Mr. and Mrs. Fred Holden, of Shrewsbury, with son Roger, spent Thanksgiving at the home of his parents.

Mrs. Lucy J. Morrison left the first of the week for a visit of several weeks at the home of Francis E. Merriman in Louisville, Ky.

John M. Adams passed away at the Worcester state hospital last week Friday from the effects of a cancer which destroyed the sight of one eye and finally affected the other.

The remains of John Merritt Adams, eighty-seven years of age, were brought to this town Monday morning from the Worcester state hospital and placed in the receiving tomb at the village cemetery.

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LENGTH OF LIFE INCREASED

Not Yours or Mine, but Those of the Coming Generation of United States Citizens.

Dr. Victor C. Vaughn's assurance that the average length of life in the United States has been increased ten years since 1880 makes cheerful reading. Coming from a man who has been president of the American Medical association, the information is doubtless exact, but it may be easily misunderstood.

The gain of ten years to which Doctor Vaughn refers has been effected by saving the lives of children who would formerly have perished of preventable diseases. Each child thus saved increases the average length of life, though mature persons go on dying prematurely, just as they did before. Statistics are sometimes very delusive.

The rapid extinction of our elderly men with the rescue of young children from untimely death is filling the country with a comparatively youthful population. The phalanx in the neighborhood of forty years is increasing rapidly. That between fifty and sixty is diminishing in proportion to the whole number. This is not as it should be.

WIFE TAUGHT HIM A LESSON

Mistake While in Fuddled Condition Brought Home to Him the Morning After.

"Some wives," remarked Sam Bernard the other day, "have terribly effective methods in training their husbands."

"A young man had the habit of returning home from the club occasionally in a state of semi-intoxication. He married not long ago, and, although he decided to turn over a new leaf, the old habits were too strong for him, and one night while out with the boys, he took on board a trifle too much.

"Next morning he came down to breakfast with the dark brown taste. There was something on the plate before him which had evidently been cooked and was supposed to be food.

"He took it up on his fork and held it up, looking at it in wonder. "What in the world," he demanded, "is this supposed to be, dear?"

"Well," replied the young woman, with disdain, "it looks very much like your new soft felt hat, but you pulled it out of your pocket when you came home last night, and told me it was a nice, juicy steak, and that you bought it on the way home, and you wanted it broiled for breakfast. You can have it all. 'Im not hungry.'"—Green Book Magazine.

Kill Nerves to Cure Neuralgia. Severe neuralgia can be cured by injecting alcohol into the nerves, but the cost is terrible, for the price is the death of the nerve, with paralysis as the result.

Such, in brief, is the conclusion which Dr. Williams B. Cadwalader reports to the Journal of the American Medical association after experiments made at the Laboratory of Neurophysiology of the University of Pennsylvania.

The alcohol kills not only the nerves of sensation, but the motor nerves as well. In a nerve like the sciatic this would be serious. For the nerve may remain paralyzed for a year after the injection of the alcohol.

In trifacial neuralgia, which is caused by a purely sensory nerve, this action is of little importance. The cure is not permanent, however, but affords freedom from pain for several months, perhaps as much as a year. The nerves regenerate just as they do when severed.

The Unwelcome Truth. "Miss Braddon, the English novelist," said a publisher, "made \$500,000 out of her books, her publisher's share being \$1,500,000.

"Miss Braddon's great success, she once told me, was due to her avoidance in her books of truth. Truth, she said, is the one thing the average novel reader doesn't want. For truth, you see, is unpleasant.

"She illustrated her point by a wife who asked her husband: "George, how do you like the new shade I've had my hair done?" "Well, my dear," George began, "to tell you the truth—" "Stop right there, George," his wife interrupted. "Stop right where you are. When you begin like that I don't want to hear you."—Washington Star.

Kid Glove Making in France. The superiority of French kid gloves over all others is due above all to the perfection of the skins, the kids being reared in villages by peasants who own only a few goats and, therefore, take great care of them. Another reason is that in France one workman takes the prepared skin and manipulates it himself right up to the finished glove.—Newark News.

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MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF REAL ESTATE

By virtue of a power of sale contained in a certain mortgage deed given by Vincenzo Liponi, dated the first day of March, A. D. 1914, and recorded in the Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 3866, Page 514, will be sold at public auction for breach of the conditions of said mortgage, on the premises hereinafter described on Saturday, November 27th, 1915, at three o'clock p. m., all and singular the premises conveyed by said mortgage deed therein described as follows:

One undivided half interest in a certain parcel of land with the buildings thereon situated in the northerly part of said Groton containing about seven and four (7 4/10) acres, bounded and described as follows: Beginning at the Western side of the road leading from Groton to Nashua at a stake and stone at land now or formerly of Thomas Johnson, thence, running Southwesterly by said road fifty-eight (58) rods ten (10) feet to a stake and stone at land now or formerly of Joseph Sanderson; thence Southwesterly by land of said Sanderson twenty-five (25) rods to the end of a ditch; thence, in the same direction by the center of said ditch sixteen (16) rods to a stake and stone; thence, Westerly by said Sanderson's land as the fence now stands to the Southeast corner of land now or formerly of Abel H. Fuller; thence, Northerly by said Fuller's land and land now or formerly of said Johnson to a chestnut tree; thence Easterly and Southwesterly by land of said Johnson to the place of beginning.

From the above described parcel a lot of land containing about six (6) acres is excepted said lot having been heretofore granted by deed dated November 9, 1899, and recorded in the Middlesex South District Deeds, Book 2848, Page 534, being the same premises conveyed to myself and the grantee by deed of George W. Wood and Harold L. Brown, dated December 1, 1913, and recorded in said Registry, Book 3844, Page 216.

Terms cash. Other terms and conditions of sale will be announced at the time and place of sale.

PHILIP PUCCIA, Mortgagee, Pepperell, Mass. November 11, 1915. 3w10

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the estate of AUGUSTA A. NYE late of Littleton in said County, deceased: Whereas, EDWIN N. ROBINSON the executor of the will of said deceased, has presented to said Court, the true and correct account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-ninth day of November, A. D. 1915, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be allowed.

And said executor 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, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, post-paid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, first Justice of said County, the tenth day of November in the year one thousand nine hundred and fifteen. 3110 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

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ANNOUNCEMENT

The Christian Science Society of Ayer, Mass., announces a Free Public Lecture on Christian Science, by Willis F. Gross, C. S. B., Boston, Mass., a member of the Board of Lecturers of The Mother Church, the First Church of Christ, Scientist, in Boston, Mass., in the Town Hall, Ayer, Sunday, November 28, 1915, at 2:30 P. M. You and your friends are cordially invited to be present.

GROTON

Miss Phyllis Roache was operated on for appendicitis after noon and at last reports everything seemed favorable for a good recovery.

Irving C. Davis, of Acworth, N. H., was the Thanksgiving guest of Mrs. Davis, Mrs. M. J. Houghton, with whom their mother, Mrs. Davis, is spending the winter.

The slum which bounded about five o'clock last week Friday afternoon was for a fire at Currier's restaurant on Main street.

The fire originated in a rooming store which was hurriedly thrown out of doors as quickly as possible and at what seemed considerable risk to those who handled it.

Joseph E. Raddin left on Monday morning for Beaver, Pa., where he will spend Thanksgiving week with his son, George G. Raddin, and family.

Funtington School defeated Lawrence academy last Saturday afternoon by the score of 19 to 9.

There was a pleasant social at the Baptist church last week Thursday evening, the entertainers being a quartet of young ladies.

Mrs. Blanche M. Brown was elected lecturer at the Pomona Grand meeting in Lunenburg last week Thursday, instead of lady assistant steward, as given last week.

Mr. and Mrs. George H. Woods had seven and dinner on Thanksgiving day. Among the guests were Mr. and Mrs. G. A. Torrey of Brockton, and Mrs. Torrey's mother, Mrs. Lucy Torrey of Dorchester.

The public library desires to join in the work of the Boy Scouts by observing the proposed juvenile book week. For that purpose the books in our library which are best and most interesting will be placed in a "book night" in town worthy of mention in these columns.

loaded down with spoils—seven coons, each weighing from 15 to 22 1/2 pounds. The load was quite a heavy one and some of the hurgsmen took chairs in waiting back four of the coons were found in one place and three in another.

Mrs. Isabel Hawkes, who is staying in Worcester with friends, was over on Tuesday night and took in the Grange meeting.

James Rowe is making plans to leave Groton soon—we understand the change is to be permanent and will make his home with his relatives, Mr. and Mrs. Tupper, who formerly lived in Groton.

Edmund O. Collier is very ill with pneumonia, but was reported more comfortable on Friday morning.

Mrs. Walter H. Dodge and little son, Charles H. Dodge, have arrived home from Natick, where the baby was born in the hospital about three weeks ago.

Mrs. Tainter, mother of H. P. Tainter, is ill with acute rheumatism and under the doctor's care.

Prof. and Mrs. Scott and daughter from South Hadley, spent Thanksgiving with their two sons on Chicopee row.

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Mr. and Mrs. C. E. Warren, of Groton, are planning to go to Ayer on November 30, December 1 and 2, to the Union Fair; if not why not?

Union Service.

The union Thanksgiving service of last Sunday evening called out a large number. Fully two-thirds of the seating capacity of the main auditorium of the Congregational church was taken. It was truly a union service.

He found many things to be thankful for, mentioning as one, the wonderful achievements of science. He had a healthy vision of a time when mankind somehow and sometime would learn to live in peace and brotherly love.

It seems a pity that so few of our people heed the excellent lecture given in the hall last week by Mr. Hubert on "Korea and the far east."

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Deaths.

son, Mark, died in infancy. She is survived also by two grandchildren; also, by three brothers and one sister living in Maine.

The funeral was from the home of her son, G. W. Shattuck, Rev. G. M. Howe officiating, reading as a part of the service, the same verses which he believed slept in his heart.

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There was a good attendance at the services on last Sunday morning. The music as well as the subject was of especial interest to all present.

On next Sunday morning the pastor will exchange with Rev. M. Howe of the Congregational church.

The subject of the evening service will be, "Who are you?"

The cradle roll now has twelve members.

A camp-fire social was held for the boys at the parsonage on Tuesday evening. A fire was burning in the open grate, around which gathered twenty-two boys.

West Groton.

Mrs. Charles Babby and daughter Ruth spent Thanksgiving and the week-end with relatives in Wellesley Hills.

H. C. Potter spent the holiday at his home in Athol.

Miss Kathleen Melowian has returned to Wellesley Hills, where she is in her last year of training.

Mr. and Mrs. John McCann and son Robert, Mr. and Mrs. James Fallon and son William and the Misses Downs and McQuinton attended church wedding in Lowell on Wednesday evening, returning on the following morning.

Mrs. John Lacey and two sons are spending Thanksgiving week with relatives in Hingham, N. H.

Mr. and Mrs. Joshua Babby enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. W. V. Babby on Thanksgiving day.

Thanksgiving exercises were held in all the school-rooms on Wednesday.

At the election of officers at Groton on Tuesday evening Mrs. W. V. Babby was elected Clerk and Leo Babby as secretary.

The Ladies' Aid society will meet on Thursday afternoon with Mrs. C. L. Roy. The semi-annual fair of the society, with supper and entertainment, will be held on Thursday afternoon and evening last Friday evening, December 3 and 4.

Successful Operation.

while at camp last August, though at the time she thought herself badly scratched and did not think, the possibility of the point remaining in the flesh. It was taken out an inch or two below the little scar which showed the point of entrance.

Revolutionary Soldiers.

Oliver Farnsworth's name appears on the muster roll of Capt. Henry Farwell's company of minutemen in Col. William Prescott's regiment, who marched from Groton to New York, April, 1776. He enlisted on July 7, 1776; time of service, 2 months, 25 days; delivered to five soldiers out of yellow town stock to Oliver Farnsworth 1/2 pound powder, 1 flint and 20 bullets.

Jonas Taylor was in Capt. Henry Farwell's company of minutemen in Col. William Prescott's regiment, who marched from Groton to New York, April, 1776. He enlisted on July 7, 1776; service, two days; reported returned home.

Capt. John Williams was a sergeant in Capt. Asa Lawrence's company; service, six days; first lieutenant in Capt. Lawrence's company, list of officers of Col. Prescott's regiment, recommended in committee of safety at Cambridge on June 23, 1776, for commissions, ordered in provincial congress on June 25, 1776, that second Lieutenant in Capt. Lawrence's company, Col. William Prescott's regiment, muster roll dated August 2, 1776.

He was an ensign in Col. William Prescott's regiment at Bunker Hill, first lieutenant in 1776; commissioned captain July 7, 1777 in the twelfth regiment, and was in Vose's first regiment from 1781 to its disbandment on November 3, 1783.

He was the son of John and Elizabeth Williams, who were born in Groton on July 4, 1746; died there on July 1, 1822. Married Molly Everett and had twelve children, five of whom died young.

Boxborough.

Linwood Richardson, who had the misfortune to fall from an apple tree and break four ribs about a month ago, is again, but not yet able to do much work.

Andrew Walker has gone to Spruce to visit his sister.

Edward Braham spent a few days this week with friends in Warwick.

The young men began a series of Saturday night dances at the hall last week. Music is furnished by the Colonial orchestra.

A change has been made in the rural district of Groton, which is not pleasing to either the carrier or the patrons.

The committee who have been working for the purchase of the church fair certainly had good cause to feel rather discouraged when the rain fell so steadily last week Friday.

It is probable that the usual number of Thanksgiving guests visited in West Groton Thursday, but it has been impossible to obtain a list.

Miss Elizabeth Wright returned home on Friday and Miss Florence French to begin for the holiday recess.

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Mrs. Hattie P. Holden and son, Robert H. J. Holden, of Harvard law school, spent Thanksgiving at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Hattie P. Barnard, at the village.

Miss Ruth M. Graves, of Lancaster, spent the holiday at the home of her parents, Mr. and Mrs. H. Graves.

A hearing was held in the town hall on Wednesday evening on the petition of the Shirley Electric Company to run its line from Clark road through the East on the way to Popperell.

HARVARD

Next regular meeting of the King's Daughters will be held on Thursday afternoon of next week at the regular hour with Mrs. Jennie Dickson.

Mr. and Mrs. C. Russell Miner spent Thanksgiving with Mr. and Mrs. James McMahan, Ayer.

Mr. and Mrs. William Hanna went to Waltham on Wednesday for the holiday and week-end with their daughter and family, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Hapenny.

Miss Edith Hapenny, with a friend from Somerville, spent the holidays with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. J. G. Hapenny.

Charles L. Clay, for fourteen years the superintendent of schools in Harvard and adjoining towns, now at North Danvers, visited in Groton with Mrs. Harriet Dickinson and family. Last week Friday he started for a trip to the California exposition to be gone several weeks.

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Mr. and Mrs. Harry Gale, with Mr. and Mrs. George Gale, spent the holidays with Mr. and Mrs. Harry A. Wood in Worcester.

Arthur Brown, of Northbridge, was at his aunt's, Miss Helen Barnard, this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Will Roche entertained a party of friends at their new home on the state road last Saturday evening, the event being a house warming for the new house. The guests were Mr. and Mrs. Roche and left with Mr. and Mrs. Roche as a token of their interest a gift of twenty-five dollars.

Harry Whitney continues to improve and says he will be out by next week.

Those who left the weather kept them from the concert given last week Friday evening by the Julia Pickard young ladies.

The annual ball given by the members of the chemical company on Thursday evening was well attended about seventy-five couples dancing. Newell's orchestra gave very good music, and the session of the Musical Camp-fire girls prepared a lunch of ice cream and cake for the party.

The regular meeting of the Woman's club was held at the Still River chapel on Monday afternoon, November 22, and although the attendance was small on account of the weather a delightful afternoon was spent in listening to the current events papers by different members, and in an interesting report of the convention in Beverly, given by Mrs. Helen L. Morse. Music was furnished during the afternoon by Still River young ladies.

During the business session Mrs. Chas. B. Bigelow and Mrs. Lizzie Eagles were elected members of the club and three new names were proposed for membership in the social hour consequent on the program, tea being served by the Still River members. The next meeting of the club is to be on Monday, December 6, when Miss S. B. Bigelow, president of the Woman's club, will give a talk on "Tobacco."

Are you planning to go to Ayer on November 29, December 1 and 2, to the Union Fair; if not why not?

Still River.

The Boston Store GEO. B. TURNER & SON AYER, MASS.

Advertisement for The Boston Store featuring men's underwear. Includes items like Glastonbury Wool Shirts and Drawers, Berkshire Wool Shirts and Drawers, Peerless Union Suits, Double-breasted Fleece Shirts, Heavy Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, etc. with prices.

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Obituary notices for Mrs. Susan Parker Fitch and Mrs. Edith Wright.

TOWNSEND

The union Thanksgiving services held last Sunday evening at the Congregational church were well attended by a congregation from both churches. Supt. Herman L. Knight read the President's Thanksgiving proclamation and Dr. Charlton delivered the sermon of the evening. Special music was rendered by the chorus choir of young people.

Mrs. Florence Gwin visited this week at the home of her brother, Ernest Clark, Lynn, when she saw for the first time her little nephew, Eugene Clark.

The many friends of Miss Grace T. Hall will be sorry to learn of her recent serious mastoid bone operation. She has been critically ill, but is reported as more comfortable.

Last Saturday afternoon the high school football eleven from Ayer played the local eleven at Athletic park to a tie score.

Nilo Woods shot a ninety-pound doe near the Warner place on the edge of Pepperell last Saturday afternoon.

Mrs. Ralph O. Reed, of Manchester, N. H., was the week-end guest of Henry B. Hildreth's while her husband, in company with his colleagues, was in attendance at the Harvard-Yale football game in Cambridge last Saturday. Mr. Reed joined her here for our Sunday.

On last week Friday afternoon in the Congregational vestry a reception was given to the members of the cradle roll and their parents. Over fifty were present and were tendered words of greeting by the shepherdess, Mrs. Carrie Stuber, by the pastor, Herman L. Knight, the cradle missionary boxes were opened during the afternoon the contents amounting to five dollars. The members of the Wide-awake club entertained the gathering by recitations and a pretty little doll exercise that was given by Mabel Clement and Florence Higgins. Members of the Wide-awake club also presented the playlet "Surprise." Refreshments were served and a social hour enjoyed. A noteworthy feature of the evening was a goodly number of babies were present who exchanged greetings in their own special language.

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Charles Donley, clerk at I. P. Sherwin's, shot a 150-pound deer while on a hunting trip last Saturday in the north part of the town, near the home of Lewis K. Blair.

Paul Toupin and family of Bayberry had their winter cottage taken there to Fitchburg, where he is employed.

Successful Affairs.

The Ladies' Baptist Benevolent society on Wednesday evening of last week held one of the most successful and financially yet held. The vestries were crowded to their utmost capacity and all the sales tables were well patronized. The fancy articles and aprons were in charge of Mrs. Boynton, Mrs. Abbott Hodgman and Mrs. Charles Patch and Mrs. Ellen Pratt; fruit and vegetables, Mrs. George Welch, Horace A. Welch, Mrs. Bertha Boynton; candy, Misses Gladys Rawson and Marion Boutelle, assisted by Miss Arline Clark of the Center, a guest of Miss Rawson, and Mrs. Charles Hodgman was in attendance at the mystery table. Ice cream and cake were sold at the close of the program by Mr. Drake, from the Center, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch.

A donation which was greatly appreciated was several potted plants which were contributed for this sale by Mrs. Charles Welch, Horace A. Welch, Mrs. Bertha Boynton; candy, Misses Gladys Rawson and Marion Boutelle, assisted by Miss Arline Clark of the Center, a guest of Miss Rawson, and Mrs. Charles Hodgman was in attendance at the mystery table. Ice cream and cake were sold at the close of the program by Mr. Drake, from the Center, assisted by Mr. and Mrs. Fred A. Patch.

The program was given by the kitchen orchestra in charge of Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin, director, in which the following participated: Mrs. Fred Patch, Mrs. Frank Hamilton, Miss Bertha Reid, Miss Gladys Rawson, Miss Marion Boutelle, Mrs. I. P. Sherwin, Mervin Wares, Albert and Charles Hodgman, Mrs. Bertha Boynton, Mrs. Alice Welch, Miss Alice Welch, Miss Gladys Rawson and Mrs. Alden Sherwin, an instrumental duet, Mrs. Fred A. Patch, flute, and Ian Rusk, accordion.

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Miss Ellen Sawtell has been having her house and barn reshiped with fireproof shingles.

John Whitcomb's horse took fright last week Friday afternoon on Canal street and making a quick turn upset both delivery team and himself, spilling grocery orders all over the muddy road. He was caught and held without any further damage.

Miss Blanche Fessenden and Bernard Slocome motored to New Boston last week Friday and were the guests of Miss Mattie Kent. Miss Kent returned with them on Saturday for a few days' visit with Mrs. Fessenden.

Arthur Goss left last Monday for Bangor, Me., where he is to visit relatives and friends for a week or ten days.

The next meeting of the Loyal Veterans is to be held at the home of Mrs. John Whitcomb, November 30.

LUNenburg

News Items.

The community Christmas tree met with such favor last year that it has been decided to repeat what was so successful that it is not regarded as an experiment any longer, but an established fact. Therefore, it has been decided by the different societies to hold a Christmas party in the town hall similar to the one of last year, and everybody is invited to participate and feel that each one has a hand in the success of the affair. The committee are arranging plans of operations.

The woman's club started a box of supplies on Monday for the French hospitals which are sadly in need of material for the care of sick and wounded soldiers. Other supplies are being prepared which will be sent out later. The Camp-fire Girls, now wishing to be outside or left behind in benevolent work, will be held on Friday and made rompers for destitute Serbian children. Their next meeting will be at the home of Miss Vesta Alexander on Wednesday, December 1.

James S. Gilchrist and party, who have been spending a week in hunting and visiting in Vermont, returned on Sunday afternoon, bringing with them a fine buck.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Watson left town on Friday last week for New York, where they expected to sail for Cuba on Wednesday. They intend to spend the winter with their son and family, Rev. Edward W. Watson, at El Cristo, Province of Oriente.

A special town meeting will be held on Monday evening in regard to the sewage property, and what steps should be taken in regard to the taxes assessed by the city of Fitchburg, collecting, etc. Various opinions are expressed pro and con and they are to be threshed out at this special meeting.

Despite the very heavy rain of last week Friday about thirty members of the Woman's club met in the Methodist chapel and listened to a very interesting and instructive lecture by Mrs. Root, from the Providence library, upon the subject of "The public library and the community." Mrs. George B. Grant, Jr., and Mrs. P. Dickinson were the hostesses and served dairy refreshments. The next meeting will be held on Friday afternoon, December 3, at the home of Miss Martha A. Abernethy. The subject for consideration will be "Now and then" and Mrs. Horace Parker will be in charge.

On last week Friday evening the C. E. society held a social in the Congregational vestry. A scalloped supper with all the "skins" was served to which everyone present did ample justice and increased the fund in the treasury thereof. After a supper possessing content on the hidden titles of books and poems proved very interesting and amusing. Mrs. Julia S. Bailey was the winner, she having guessed 33 out of the 58 given.

Two changes in real estate, in which many people were interested, have occurred here during the past week. Miss Cora N. Richards has sold her place on Oak avenue, consisting of house, barn and carriage house and 2½ acres of land, to Mrs. C. P. Dickinson. Sidney H. Francis et al. have sold the Hunting house, society on Chestnut street, to George A. Paize and wife, who take possession this week.

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There is a reason for the disagreeable and fretful nature of many children. Think of the unrest when the child's body is possessed by tiny worms sapping its vitality and clogging its functions. Whatever may be the cause—"that children have worms is a fact." Your child's peevishness, loss of appetite, or a cough, give Kickapoo Worm Killer a chance and if worms are there this humanly harmless remedy will eliminate the annoying parasites. 25c. a box.

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COW TESTING HELPS FARMER

Members of Associations Enabled to Hire Tester to Keep Records—Expense Is Not Great.

(By PROF. OSCAR ERF, Ohio State University.)

Year after year many farmers milk cows that do not pay for the feed that they eat. Cow testing associations assist the farmer in finding out those cows that cost him money to keep and those that are making money for him. Some cows start their lactation period with a heavy milk flow, but soon drop to an ordinary flow. Other cows give a more regular flow throughout the year. At the end of the year the latter cows will have probably produced the most milk, but the farmer very often will consider the cows that started well the most profitable. The main purpose of cow testing associations is to enable the members to hire a tester to keep records which, in practice, it is almost impossible for farmers to keep for themselves. Another feature of the tester's work is to work out for the farmer the most economical rations for their herds. The expense to the members of the association will be \$1.50 per year for each cow in their herds.

To many farmers it may seem unnecessary to hire a man to do work which they are perfectly capable of doing. Many farmers are unquestionably able to do this work, but it is unlikely that, during the pressure of farm work, they will do it. Experience has made the tester rapid and accurate. He has at his finger ends the strength of the acid he uses, the amount to charge for roughage and concentrated feeds, and the analysis of the common feeds. It will take the average farmer some time to become familiar enough with the things to do the work as well as the tester.

Not only do the tester's records show which cows make or lose money for their owners, but they show to what extent each cow is profitable and what kind of feed at the prevailing price produces the most economic returns.

ATTACHMENT ON COW'S TAIL

Prevents Introduction of Dirt, Dust and the Like into Pail During Milking Operation.

The Scientific American in describing a cow's tail holder, invented by E. Quick of Trinidad, Colo., says:

"The main object of the invention is to secure the tail of a cow that the animal may not switch its tail in an effort to rid itself of insects, such as

flies, mosquitoes, gnats, etc. It is well known that cows switch their tails continually, either to brush off insects, or from a nervous habit, and this tends to brush foreign matter, such as dirt, dust, and the like into the pail during milking, particularly when the tail is filled with the filth of the yard or pasture. The invention prevents such milk contamination.

Foundation for Separator.

A good, solid foundation is very essential to the smooth running of a separator, to be sure, but the separator must not be bolted down solid to the foundation. Just simply screw it down tight and level, care being taken not to have it down too tight.

Feeding the Dairy Cow.

When feeding the dairy cow remember that she cannot do two things with the same feed—that is, she cannot make beef and milk at the same time.

Effective Beads.

Yellow beads on a black cord, or beads combining green, gold and blue tones on a dull blue cord, are very effective, as are amber and jet beads on a yellow cord. Pretty combinations can be made, and, as they are not at all expensive and can be made at home, one can possess a number of them. Some are finished with a silk tassel, while others are made from small beads in tassel form, ending at the top with a large bead. Quite new are the long braided chains made of flat silk cord, using two contrasting colors to each strand and braiding as flat as possible. Finish each end with a tassel made by fringing the braid.

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FARM POULTRY

PREVENT LOSS OF DUCKLINGS

In Many Cases Filth in Poultry Yards is Responsible for Fatalities—Keep Quarters Dry.

Providing the right kind of food and in the proper amounts is not all that is necessary to success in raising ducklings. It should be known that they will not thrive if they are crowded or if their yards are filthy. It is often puzzling when apparently healthy ducklings die, and there is but little opportunity to try remedies. In many cases the filth in the yards is responsible for the fatalities, as the ducklings will swallow droppings in their eagerness to pick up anything that they see. And when this happens they are liable to die suddenly.



Fine Rouen Duck.

deep enough in the trough to permit the duckling to bury its head in the mud. It will eat a little and then run to the trough. That is why they trough so much of the water out of the trough and on the ground, as they are then washing their heads, bills and nostrils. When ducklings are fed very heavily on an exclusive grain diet they will sometimes have giddiness, weak legs and may be unable to stand. Damp quarters also cause weak legs. Shade must be provided for the ducklings in hot weather, as many losses will occur if they are exposed constantly to the sun's rays.

Rats seem to prefer a diet of duckling to one of chicken when in the same yard. For this reason, if all rats cannot be wiped out, floors should be used in the coops and the ducklings should be fastened in each night, though ample ventilation must be provided. A duck should be full grown when three months old, so far as size is concerned.

PRODUCE FIRST CLASS EGGS

Hens Should Be Given Proper Quantities of Wheat, Bran, Clover, Oyster Shells and Grain.

Just because an egg is freshly laid by an apparently healthy hen it cannot be assumed that it is always a good egg. It requires plenty of clean, wholesome food for the production of first class eggs. Hens that are forced to obtain the greater proportion of their living as scavengers and given a poor range to work on, cannot produce eggs of as good quality as can a flock which is regularly fed a good ration.

Eggs lacking in protein have a watery white and the shell is apt to be thin owing to the partial absence of lime. Such eggs, as well as being of less value as a food, are more than likely to bring forth puny chicks of low vitality, subject to white diarrhea and an early death. With proper quantities of wheat, bran, clover, oyster shell and sound grains in the ration fed to laying hens, eggs with a firm shell, rich in protein and delicately flavored are sure to result, providing, of course, that the flock is given clean nests and runs and is kept free from lice and mites.

PLAN TO PREVENT FIGHTING

Where Male Birds Run Together There is Always Danger of Quarrelling—Fowl's Memory Short.

If male birds are running together, there is always danger of fighting. If they are not with the females, cutting the beaks will put a stop to the fighting; but sometimes it seems best to keep two males with one hen. A chicken's memory is short; one day's confinement in a coop away from his companion will apparently make the two look on one another as strangers, and they promptly square off for a fight to the finish.

To prevent this, if males have been separated, or a new one is to be introduced where there is already a male, tie the two together with a soft, strong cloth—a strip of fannel is best—taking one leg of each—and let them get acquainted. They are unable to fight, and in an hour or so are so weary of one another's company that they have no inclination to fight. If they try it on being released, tie them up again until they learn their lesson.

GROWING USE OF ASBESTOS

Fiber in Constantly Increasing Demand and New Fields for Mining Being Developed.

Asbestos, which is rock matter, but nevertheless almost as soft and pliable as cotton or woolen fabric, is a potential life saver. The fireproof theater curtain is made of asbestos, but it has many other uses. It is used in making lumber, roofing, plaster and stucco. Houses that are built largely of asbestos afford their occupants not only complete protection from fire, because it is a "nonconductor," but assure them also the comfort of freedom from extreme heat and cold.

The asbestos-producing industry of the United States is growing. For many years we have been the greatest manufacturers and users of asbestos, drawing our raw material from Canada, but we are now getting some excellent fiber in our own country. The most notable feature of the asbestos industry in 1914 was the development of a new field in Arizona, which is furnishing a grade of fiber that compares very favorably with the Canadian. As the mineral occurs in the Grand Canyon, it is frequently designated Grand Canyon asbestos, although the deposit in that remarkable natural wonder is not yet producing asbestos commercially. For electric installation the Arizona asbestos is even better than the Canadian product, for it contains a lower percentage of iron. Asbestos of a low grade has been produced in Georgia for many years.—Newark News.

WAS A THOUGHTFUL SUITOR

Assured Father His Daughter Would Not Have Home Like She Had Been Used To.

"Young man," inquired her father sternly, "will you give her a home like the one she has been used to?" "No," replied the truthful suitor, "for there will be no grumpy father to come home and make everyone miserable by his kicking over trifles and swearing at matters in general. There will be no mother to scold her from morning to night for wasting time merely because she wants to be neat. There will be no big brother to abuse her for not doing half of his work, and no little brother to make enough noise to drive her crazy when her head aches. There won't be any younger sister to insist on reading some trashy novel while she does all the work. She will not have with me a home like she has been used to, but I can help it."—Boston Journal.

Dinner From a Lobster's Claw.

The Bath Times had not long ago in its window the largest lobster claw probably ever seen in these parts. The claw alone measured 10 1/2 inches in length and some six inches in width. It was brought into the office by the well-known diver Scott Tibbetts of Woolwich, who found it recently while doing some work at Barter's Island. Some of his dredging apparatus, probably the bucket, separated this claw from the rest of the lobster. Judging from the size of the claw, the lobster itself must have been several feet long and a monster. The meat in the claw was of good color and fit to eat and enough for a dinner for several people. The claw alone weighed three pounds, and he estimated the weight of the lobster at thirty pounds.—Kennebec Journal.

Lines to Be Remembered.

These then are my last words to you: Be not afraid of life. Believe that life is worth living and your belief will help create the fact. The "scientific" proof that you are right may not be clear before the day of judgment (or some stage of being which that expression may serve to symbolize) is reached. But the faithful fighters of this hour, or the beings that then and there will represent them, may then turn to the faint-hearted, who here decline to go on, with words like those with which Henry IV greeted the tardy Clillon after a great victory had been gained: "Hang your self, brave Clillon! We fought at Arques, and you were not there."—William James in "The Will to Believe."

Ships Are All "Ladies."

The word "ship" is masculine in French, Italian, Spanish and Portuguese, and possesses no sex in Teutonic and Scandinavian. Perhaps it would be error, suggests the Marine Journal, to trace the custom of feminizing ships back to the Greeks, who called them by feminine names, probably out of deference to Athene, goddess of the sea. But the English-speaking sailor assigns no such reasons. The ship to him is always a lady, even though she be a man-o'-war. She possesses a waist, collars, stays, laces, bonnets, ties, ribbons, chains, watches and dozens of other distinctly feminine attributes.

Russia's Butterfly Belief.

Small boys and girls in Russia often do not have the joy of butterfly chasing or collecting, for the popular and pretty belief of the peasants is that these swarms of fragile, lovely insects are the earthbound souls of the dead, compelled to linger for some minor expiation of sin. As the nurses of the children of all below royalty are from the peasant class, they impress on them at an early age how wicked it would be to catch and torture a soul and thus imbue them with a superstition that lasts until they are well grown.—New York Tribune.

HOLLIS, N. H.

About Town.

Carl Brown and family have recently moved to their new home. They will reside there for the present and carry on the farm, as his father, Chas. P. Brown, has accepted a position at Hood's creamery in Keene and will probably remain there indefinitely.

Mrs. Wm. J. Gates expects to entertain the Home Economics club at her home on December 11.

Anna Keyes Powers chapter, D. A. R., met on Saturday afternoon, November 13, at the home of Mrs. Geo. H. Hays and on an interesting meeting held. After the business meeting Mrs. Leonard Lawrence favored the ladies with a piano solo. Mrs. M. J. Powers read an original poem, "Thanksgiving." Mrs. Emma Van Dyke read the first Thanksgiving proclamation issued by President Washington. The regent, Mrs. Miss Dean, now of South Acton, was present.

George W. Woods has been appointed to the school board to fill the vacancy caused by the resignation of Charles P. Brown, who has left town to take up his position at Hood's creamery in Vermont. Mr. Brown has been a very faithful member on the school board and will be missed very much.

Mrs. Mabel Guething has been visiting in Boston the past week.

There has been considerable talk of omitting the Wednesday evening prayer meetings on account of such small attendance.

Charles Clenton has returned after a week's visit in Lynn, Mass.

Mrs. Norman Bennett and son Leonard returned home last week, after spending several days in Cambridge, Mass., with friends.

All the schools closed Wednesday for Thanksgiving and the remainder of the week.

Mr. and Mrs. Francis M. Jameson and youngest child were visitors in town on last Sunday.

The town basketball team went to Leominster to play on Tuesday evening. They made the trip in an auto from Nashua.

Samuel Bascom has finished shingling the tower on the town hall. As it was rather a hard task to do, it being so high, he was very glad to get it completed.

Ralph Muzzey and Charles Clenton went to Milford last Saturday evening to witness the girls' basketball game. The rays of a late fall morning shined on the Milford boys had a game also. John McGuire was one of the players and played a first-class game as usual.

George Stickney and son from Waltham, Mass. spent the week-end with Mr. and Mrs. George Woodin, making the trip in their car.

Miss Annie B. Newton spent Thanksgiving and the remainder of the week at her home in South Ashburnham, Mass.

Miss Mildred French, who attends Wheaton college, was at home for the holiday with her parents and sister.

William T. MacMaster had the misfortune of breaking his wrist on his right hand last Saturday morning while trying to start his automobile. Dr. Hazard set the bone and thought it would be six weeks before he could use it again.

Albert Hildreth is at work putting in a new telephone line which is to connect Warren Guild's over to George H. A. Dickerman's.

Golden Wedding Anniversary.

Mr. and Mrs. George E. Muzzey celebrated their golden wedding anniversary at their home on Tuesday, November 16. Their children and families all gathered at the pleasant home of the day and helped to make the occasion one to be long remembered by Mr. and Mrs. Muzzey. Those who were present were Mr. and Mrs. Fred Nelson of Watertown, Mass.; Miss Nelson is the oldest daughter; Miss Florence Muzzey of Worcester; Fred G. Muzzey and family and Albert Muzzey and family of this town; Mrs. Muzzey's two daughters, Mrs. Charles Lowe of Winter Hill and Mrs. Frank Soule of West Somerville, Mass.

A most bountiful dinner was served and many reminders of the occasion were left. The relatives gathered with this happy couple. Many friends and neighbors called throughout the afternoon and evening to extend congratulations and best wishes. A very catchy original poem for the occasion written by Mrs. Soule, was read and their grandson, Ralph Muzzey, also read a very fitting poem for the occasion. Mr. and Mrs. Muzzey have many friends in town who wish them many years of happiness to come. They have lived in town for several years in Mrs. Sarah Baker's cottage, coming here from Cambridge, Mass., where Mr. Muzzey had been connected with the Cambridge fire department for many years. He is also a veteran of the Civil War.

Death.

Lewis Gray Woods, a life-long resident of Hollis, died at the home of his daughter, Mrs. E. Leo McEnnis, on Thursday morning, aged seventy-nine years. He had been in bad health for a few years and had grown very feeble of late. A few days before his death he had the misfortune of falling down stairs and although he did not break any bones it probably hurt him internally and as he was in such a weak condition he could not survive the shock of the fall.

Mr. Woods was a man of sterling qualities and only words of the highest praise can come from the lips of all who knew him. He leaves to mourn his loss a widow and two daughters, Miss Daisy Woods and Mrs. E. L. McEnnis. The funeral was held from his late residence on Saturday afternoon and burial was in the East cemetery.

Fitting Tribute.

In last week's issue in the obituary of Charles A. Hale it spoke of the lines which were composed by a friend of his and read by Rev. Robert M. French as Mr. French's body was slowly lowered to its last resting place. The lines were most fitting for the occasion and it was requested by several that they be printed in this week's issue. They were composed by Major David E. Proctor of Wilton.

Why do we mourn, why be cast down And why in sorrow weep, For God has loved his loneliness Giveth His beloved sleep.

The darkest clouds which hid his sun With dark and angry frown, Are now dispelled, the victory's won, For him the victor's crown.

His march is done, the camp is here, His tent among the dead, The bugle's wild and war-like note Is simply sound of rest.

We place the flag upon his breast, That flag he fought to save, May it now guard his final rest, As it waves above his grave.

News Items.

Last Saturday afternoon the Nisittisitt Camp-fires No. 1 and 2 met with Carrie Brown. The afternoon was spent in making fudge, molasses and vinegar cream candy. The next meeting will be held on Saturday afternoon at the home of Mrs. Robert M. French.

Last Saturday evening the Hollis girls played the Milford girls in Milford and were defeated by the score of 13 to 3.

Last week Friday evening the high school team defeated Peterborough here at basketball by the score of 61 to 5.

Frank Proctor was in town a few days this week, but has returned to his home in Roxbury, Mass.

Dr. Frank Bell spent a few days in Nashua this week.

Miss Emma Van Dyke and her brother left town Monday. After spending a few days in Manchester they started for Florida and expected to spend Thanksgiving in Washington, D. C.

James W. Oikle and family, who have been living in the Worcester house, have returned to Ayer to live.

Mr. and Mrs. Edward Hills and children and Mrs. James Hills and Frank Hardy left two weeks ago for Merritt's Island, Fla., and a few in town have received news from them several times. They were often savannah here as Jacksonville, and often saw them to load freight and had time to see the city. Cocoa, just across the river from Merritt's Island, was where they spent the night before crossing the Indian river. The boats there are bringing oranges from the island and through the season to lack and forth daily. Mrs. James Hills read the trip very well.

Edwin H. Morrill, brother of George Morrill of this town, and who lives on Bush Hill, Hudson, had his building burned last Saturday morning. It is thought that the fire was started by tramps. Several cows and a few hens were burned.

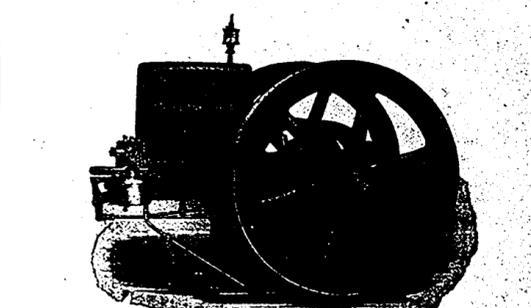
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