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Men's Supper.

A large gathering of over one hundred and twenty-five people enjoyed the very excellent four-course supper served by the men of the Unitarian church in the vestry last week Friday evening. The supper was planned and carried through from start to finish by the men in a highly efficient, interesting and enthusiastic manner, every detail being attended to very carefully, and it is safe to say all enjoyed the feast. The company Men's Supper.

start to finish by the men in a highly efficient, interesting and enthusiastic manner, every detail being attended to very carefully, and it is safe to say all enjoyed the feast. The company of workers included Dr. H. B. Priest, W. E. Beckford, Herbert Farnsworth, Dr. Wylle, Robert Murphy, Howard Fletcher, H. M. Beverly, Frank Fletcher, Theodore Barry, Lucius Fairchild, Paul Fillebrown, Herbert Proctor, Newbert Sanderson, L. H.

time had a chance to look over the building.

The speaker of the evening was Rev. Edwin A. Rumball, who is working for church efficiency in the interests of the American association. He spoke of the great movement of Unitarians were another apathy, especially of some people who had said Unitarians were people who had said Unitarians were all dead or had moved away until they really believed it. He said Unitarian christianity was variously defined by different people who knew nothing of it. He brought out many points that should be known.

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"Face to face" and "The christian's good night" were rendered. The floral tributes were many and beautiful, which showed the esteem that was held by relatives and friends. The remains were entombed at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodlawn cemetery and burial will be later in the family lot at Woodla

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Unitarians emphasize the divinity of human nature being obliged to do this to offset the depravity of human nature as emphasized by other decomminations: The word Unitarian is the only denomination whose name can be pronounced by a Japanese. He said Unitarian christianity was the best religion he knew. That it should be advertised with the four words, "never genuine without character." that it is for living purposes only, that the people should create an atmosphere and see the vision. Every city in the land is ready for us. He space of the cancel and the people should create an atmosphere and see the vision. Every city in the land is ready for us. He space of the cancel and the people should create an atmosphere of the necessity of giving; people do not give what they can. We should standardize our giving, a man should

last August.

The funeral took place from the home of his son Charles on Tuesday aftermoon. The officiating elergyman was Rev. S. D. Bingtose, paster of the Highland Eaptist church, Fitchburg, of which Mr. Washburn had been a member for many years. The hearers were his three sons, Charles L. and John B. of Ayer, Frank E. of Fitchburg, and his grandson, Albion A. Washburn, of Hopedale. His other son, Fred A., of North Leominster, suffered a broken leg recently and was

when he went to reside with Charles L. Washburn on East Main street. He was a member of Montgomery lodge, A. F. and A. M., of Milford, and the New England Raifroid Veterans as-

Mr. Washburn's wife died

Mrs. Catherine Coote, wife of Wilhiam Coote, deceased, passed away on Saturday noon, January 22, at the age of 81 years, 7 months. She was born of \$1 years, 7 months. She was born on Prince Edward Island, June 15, 1824. She came to Boston in her girlhood and in 1871 was married to William Coote. When he retired from business in 1885, they removed to this town and bought the place which has since been her home. She was a woman of a remarkably happy, cheerful disposition, which enabled her to overcome obstacles which to others of

Dr. Wylie, Bobert Murphy, Howard Fletcher, H. M. Beverly, Frank Fletcher, Theodore Barry, Lucius Flitcher, Theodore Barry, Lucius Flitcher, Paul Fillebrown, Herbert Proctor, Newbert Sanderson, L. H. Cushing, I. G. Dwinell and Norman Fletcher. Rev. Frank B. Crandall, the pastor, was everywhere to assist in many ways.

After the suppor the people, still scated at the tables, Mr. Crandall in troduced Mr. Swett, a classmate and a graduate of the Harvard School of Architecture, and an architect located in Boston. Mr. Swett is to draw plans for a remodeling of the church building. He spoke very modestly of his anticipated work as he had not at the building.

The speaker of the evening was the many and beautiful, The speaker of the evening was the following the continuous process of the evening was tributes were many and beautiful, death.

joined the Masons in 1868 and became elder in 1878. He wrote many arti-cles for the press and published poems of merit. Two of his oldest daughters were residents of America and on account of his youngest son's health he emigrated from Roosiyn Castle, Scotland, direct to New Ipswich with his wife, two sons and two daughters in 1897.

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At the time of his death he was a deacon and the treasurer; also, the superintendent of the Sunday school of the Congregational church, treasurer of Bethel lodge of Masons, treasurer of Watatic Orange, representative to the state legislature, a member of the corporation of Mason Village Savings bank, a trustee of New Ipswich public library and a member of the Stearns lecture commission. He had filled with credit a position upon the local school board, the presidency of the Men's club of New Ipswich, was a member of Souhegan Country club and the Historical society.

Mr. Roger was a frequent visitor in Ayer.

Mrs. Ann Maria Barlow, aged \$1 years, 10 months, 15 days, died at the home of her daughter, Mrs. J. W. Brown, Monday. The cause of death was pneumonia. She had been a resident of Ayan for about ten years. Services were held at the house on Wednesday afternoon and the remains were sent by express to Cookshire, P. Q., Thursday, for interment.

John C. Normand, for more than fifty years a resident of Worcester, died from the effects of a shock on Wednesday night. He was employed for twenty-two years in the Washburn & Moen wire mills, retiring from active service-four years ago owing to ill health. Mr. Normand is the father of Charles A. Normand cashler of er of Charles A. Normand, cashier of the First National bank, Ayer.

Unitarian Church Notes. Sunday morning service at 10.45; preacher, Rev. Frank B. Crandall, the minister, on the subject, "Faith from the modernist point of view." Church school at twelve.

The church has purchased, through H. J. Webb, a quantity of new silver The new hymnal recently published by the American Unitarian association was introduced last Sunday. Mrs. Susan Barker secured the necessary

A congregation of eighty-five at tended worship last Sunday.

The full list of candidates for town offices for whom nomination papers have been filled up to and ending at five o'clock Thursday afternoon, is as follows: Thomas F. Mullin, Lyman K. Clark, John R. Murphy, John D. Carney, Douglas C. Smith, selectmen; E. D. Stone, treasurer; John B. O'Connell, sr., Charles C. Wood, assessor; E. W. Carley, tax collector; William F. Walsh, Charles W. Mahan, water commissioner; T. Henry Donahue, Eugene S. Barry, board of health; Geo. O. Fillebrown, Geo. L. Osgood, Howard M. Beverly, Thomas J. Ryan, Charles A. McCarthy, auditors; Huntley S. Turner, library trustee; Frederick T. Auld, Albert A. Fillebrown, Wm. F. Fitzgerald; Lyman J. Taylor, constables; Albert B. Downing, Douglas C. Smith, tree warden; Dr. Herbert Laba L. Laba L. stables; Albert B. Downing, Douglas C. Smith, tree warden; Dr. Herber H. Priest, school committee; John L. Kennison, park commissioner

Large crowds have attended the photo drama of creation given for four nights this week in Page's hall. four nights this week in Pages hand. The views are considered the finest ever produced. There will be a lecture given in Page's hall Sunday afternoon at three o'clock by John Hughes of Boston, who will give a summary of the events shown in the pictures. The admission to the pictures. pictures. The admission to the pic-tures and for the lecture is entirely free, the project being supported by voluntary contributions.

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The warrant for town meeting has been posted. It contains thirteen articles about all of which are of a routine nature. The poils will be opened at 5.45 a. m. and will be closed at four p. m. Monday. February 7.

Alexander C. McDonald has sold his house on Pearl street to Charles W. Mean and will move to Flichburg

about February 1. Mr. McDonald is foreman for the telephone company and has his headquarters in Fitchburg. Mrs. McDonald recently fell heir to £200 through the death of her aunt. Mrs. Durgin, in Company Mayor Later. Mayo, Ireland.

Miss Matilda Curran is quite sick at the home of her sister, Mrs. Charles Webber.

Ayer Council, K. C., held a very successful military whist party in their rooms on Thursday evening which was largely attended. The party was arranged through the efforts of George L. Wilson, the lecturer of the council. Light refreshments were

Citizens' Meeting.

A meeting composed of representa-tive citizens was held in the Board of Trade rooms on Wednesday evening to consider the matter of selecting candidates for the various town of-fices, with particular reference to the candidates for the office of selectmen. candidates for the office of selectmen. A committee was appointed pursuant children, Marjorie, Robert and Lillian, each of whom has received Grandma's tender love and devoted care. Although enjoying her life, the following stanza of a song she often sang expresses her sentiments in regard to death:

Who, who would live alway, away from his God,

Away from you heaven, that blissful

Away from yon heaven, that blissful abode.

Where the rivers of pleasure flow o'er the bright plains.

And the noontide of glory eternally reigns:

Where the saints of all ages in harmony meet.

Their Saviour and brethren transported to greet:

While the anthems of rapture unceasingly roll.

And the smile of the votes of his fellow citizens. He is a substantial business man, he being a member of the well-known cutlery firm of Robert Murphy's Sons Company.



OUR MID-WINTER COUNTER CLEARING

Mark-Down Sale

WILL BEGIN ON SATURDAY, JANUARY 29

In accordance with our fixed policy, of twenty years' standing, of disposing of our stock during the season for which it is made and not carry goods over from one season to the next, we will now make some genuine price reductions on the balance of our stock of Winter

On Saturday, January 29, we will begin our regular Mid-Winter Mark-Down Sale of the balance of our stock of

WINTER CLOTHING, HATS, CAPS and FURNISHINGS

In the face of the great advance in prices of all kinds of merchandise we have made our usual price reductions on our Fancy Mixture Suits and Overcoats, and more moderate price reductions on the

Look over the list of items carefully; you will find it for your interest to take advantage of this opportunity to secure standard goods at extremely low prices.

MEN'S SUIT BARGAINS

Balance of our stock of Fancy Mixture Suits are now offered at reduced prices. Many Shuman Suits among the lot.

\$12.00 Fancy Suits marked down to \$15.00 Fancy Suits marked down to \$10.47 Fancy Suits marked down to \$13.47 \$18.00 \$20.00 Fancy Suits marked down to \$14.47 Blue Serge and Staple Worsteds not included in this sale

CHILDREN'S SUITS

Ages 6 to 16

\$2.25 \$3.00 Suits marked down to..... \$3.50 Suits marked down to..... \$5.00 Suits marked down to \$3.47 Odd Knickerbocker Trousers

50c. Trousers reduced to.....

\$1.00 Trousers reduced to..... MEN'S WORKING TROUSERS

One lot Trousers, regular price \$1.75 for \$1.39

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der son. Fred A., of North Leominster, to complete a broken leg recently and was routine nature. The polls will be opened at 5.45 a. m. and will be closed at four p. m., Monday, February 7.

Alexander C. McDonald has sold his body was placed in the tomb at Woodlaws on Pearl street to Charles W. Mahan and will move to Fitchburg about February 1. Mr. McDonald is about February 1. Mr. McDonald is about February 1. Mr. McDonald is formed in the telephone company for the teleph 75c. Golf Caps for Men, now

\$1.47 \$2.00 Stiff Hats for men, now Stiff Hats for Men. Lamson & \$1.98Hubbard make, now \$1.98 \$3.00 Velour Hats for Men, now..... \$1.00 \$1.50 Velvet or Plush Hats, now..... 75¢ \$1.00 Velvet or Plush Hats, now..... Yarn Toques

One lot Yarn Toques for Boys and Girls,

25¢ 50c. grade, for FUR COATS AND FUR-LINED COATS

The balance of our stock of Fur Outside Coats

nd also Fur-lined Coats will be offered at a price reduction of 10 percent from our already xtremely low prices.

MACKINAW COATS

The balance of our stock of Mackinaw Coats for Men and Boys are now offered at a price reduction of 20 percent from our regular prices.

A FEW SPECIAL BARGAINS

Men's White Handkerchiefs President Suspenders, 50c. grade 35¢ President Suspenders 176 Police Braces, 25c. grade 29¢ Fine Lisle Braces, 50c. kind, for.....

SHOE DEPARTMENT

We have many broken lines and odd pairs of Shoes and Slippers for Women and Girls which we have placed upon the Bargain Counter for this sale.

Store Open on Monday, Friday and Saturday Evenings

FANCY MIXTURE OVERCOATS For Men and Youths

Every Fancy Mixture Overcoat are now offered at big reductions from regular prices.

Sizes 34 to 42-All Good Bargains

\$12.00 Overcoats marked down to \$15.00 Overcoats marked down to.... \$18.00 Overcoats marked down to.... \$20.00 Overcoats marked down to.....

Our Black Kersey and Gray Vicunna and Melton Overcoats are offered at a reduction of 10 percent from the regular price on tag.

BOYS' AND CHILDREN'S OVERCOATS Every Overcoat at Reduced Price

Ages 12 to 16 \$5.00 Overcoats marked down to......

\$7.50 Overcoats marked down to...... \$8.50 Overcoats marked down to Ages 4 to 12

\$4.00 Overcoats marked down to...... \$5.00 Overcoats marked down to...... \$7.00 Overcoats marked down to......

FURNISHING GOODS DEPARTMENT Shirt Bargains

One lot of Fancy Coat Shirts, the Stag Brand, regular \$1.00 grade, now..... (me lot of regular 50c. Coat Shirts, now.... One lot of Domet Flannel Working Shirts,

ular 50c. kind, now. Underwear Bargains

Double-breasted Fleece Underwear, a great bargain at 50c., now..... Derby Ribbed Shirts and Drawers, our regular 50c. grade, now Wright Health Fleece Underwear: The 75c. grade reduced to..... The \$1.00 grade reduced to..... Men's Double-breasted Camel's Hair Under-

wear, our regular \$1.00 grade, now.... Derby Ribbed Union Suits for Men, the regular \$1.00 grade, now Boys' Wright's Wool Fleece Shirts and

Drawers, our regular 50c. grade, for.... Boys' Fleece-lined Shirts and Drawers, the 25c. and 29c. kind, for

Men's Hosiery Bargains 25c. grade of Medium Wool Hose, now ...

15c. grade of Heavy Cotton Hose, in black Sweater Bargains

Men's and Boys' Coat Sweaters, a regular

75c. quality, now for..... Men's Coat Sweaters, a regular \$1.50 grade. all colors, now for One lot of Men's Sweaters, odd Sweaters, 34, 36, 38 sizes only, \$3.00 to \$4.00

kind, for One lot Men's Sweaters, odd Sweaters, with Collars, the \$5.00 grade, for

Neckwear Bargains

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Saturday, January 29, 1916.

WESTFORD

Emory J. Whitney, who has been among the shut-ins with sickness for the last four weeks, is still confined to his bed, although resting comfor-

word comes to Westford of the sudden death of John Langtry in Saugus last week, having died in a street car. He was eighty years of age. Mr. Langtry was a long-time resident of this town, having moved away some twenty years ago. He conducted a blacksmith shop at one time on the site between Samuel H. Balch's house and the one occupied by Walter L. Cutter, afterwards moving this shop on land near his house. His home was the place now owned and occupied by Perley E. Wright. In the later years of his living in Westford he carried on a successful fruit farm. and on duty again.

The committee of Middlesex North century ago. Mr. Young leaves be-Pomona Grange on good of the order sides his wife a daughter and five will meet at the home of E. F. Dick-Ingon Billarica Center this week Satinson, Billerica Center, this week Sat-

inson. Billerica Center, this week Saturday afternoon at three o'clock.

The next meeting of Middlesex North Pomona Grange wiii be held in Mestford Center, and later a small of the charter members and a paper by Mrs. Vickery, of Chelmsford, on "How to make the most of life." In one on Cold Spring road Tuesday, the afternoon E. W. Boutwell, of Andover, will illustrate with talk and stereopticon "A trip across the conti-

nent to the world's fair and back by way of Washington." This will be an open meeting.

Many friends of William O. Patten in Many friends of William O. Patten in this, his native town, and his large circle of friends elsewhere, will be refreshed to know that he is able to be about the house after several weeks of serious illness from pneumonia at his home in Worcester. He will be remembered by the older resident as a boy, scholar in the public schools and Westford academy, and as a man of wholesome habits affable in his friendship, constant to church and friendship, constant to church and Sunday school, of which the writer was one of an inquiring class. In addition to the recent loss of his

Albert A. Hildreth has lost valuable horse, cow and a small flock of poultry. This is a sad problem in addition.

Chaplain's night will be observed at the Grange next Thursday even-ing, in charge of Rev. and Mrs. David Wallace.

The next farmers' institute of Mid-dlesex North will be held in Wilming-ton, about the middle of February. with an address by Dr. Twitchell, of

Good Lectures

In the lecture of Prof. Harnes on "Corn" at the Extension school last week he said that land should be well tably.

Miss Hilda Isles is gaining each day from her recent severe illness, and while it will be some time before she can taken up her work again, Mrs. Isles resumes her management of the telephone switchboard this week.

Mrs. Charles H. Wright is among the sick ones and under the doctor's care, suffering with rheumatism.

The Ladles' Missionary society of the Congregational church met at the home of Mrs. John Perkins on Thursday afternoon. The program, "Awakenings in India," was in charge of Miss Loker and Mrs. Perkins.

Harry L. Nesmith, tree warden, and helpers, have been busy this week removing some decayed wood from the massive old elm tree near the Unitarian church. This is one of the historic old trees of the village, having been set by Sherman H. Fletcher's great-grandfather about 1832.

Miss Harriet M. Hodgman, of Dunstable, was the guest last week of Miss Corn full of moisture is liable to

miss Harriet M. Hodgman, of Dunstable, was the guest last week of Miss Emily F. Fletcher, and in attendance at the home-maker's course of the extension school.

A second little daughter has been born to Dr. and Mrs. George O. Clark, of Boston. Mrs. Clark was formerly Miss Carnzu Abbot, of Westford.

Mrs. V. C. B. Wetmore, of Nashobah farm, has gone to Jamaica for a six-weeks' stay.

Miss Marguerite Young, of the academy teaching force, who was obliged to be absent from school several days with a severe cold, is better and on duty again.

Uniform size of kernel gives a regular and even distribution by the corn planter.

Corn full of moisture is liable to freeze and thus lose the power to germinate. Each ear should be tested separately in a germination box in the seases; land should be down in grass and clover not less than one year in three; should contain one or more deep rooted crops; should not include crops of the same kind nor those troubled by the same kind nor those crops of the same crops of the same ter except in case of late fall plow

was the place now owned and occupied by Perley E. Wright. In the later years of his living in Westford he carried on a successful fruit farm. He was also one of the town's former tax collectors.

At the Sunday evening service at the Congregational church Rev. William A. Anderson was the speaker of the evening, giving a most interesting talk on "The real values of life."

The Agricultural Extension school, which proved so successful last week, leaves a balance in the treasurer's hands of \$28.28, which will be given to the J. V. Fletcher library trustees for the purchase of new books along the line of subjects exemplified in the school. This result was made possible by the selectmen allowing the use of the hall for the week without payment of rent; also, to the kindly courtesy of Arthur Fletcher in entertaining two of the men teachers at his home during the time that they were here.

Mrs. Sarah M. Harr, who has been fill for several weeks at the home of Mrs. S. B. Wright, was moved this week to the home of her marroed daughter in Somerville.

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The speaker of the afternoon was warren F. Spaiding secretary of the Massachusetts Prison association who spocke on "The treatment of crime— past, present and future" Mr. Spaiding, out of a wide experience, proved as most interesting speaker sketching and the first were conducted by Rev. Daniel reformatory and predationary methods in dealing with what he called the eight Mrs. Charles L. Hiddern, hearman, and John of the mentor was called to the program for the rest meeting, and John of Street Furnal was at the program for the rest meeting.

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About Town.

The town committee have called a caucus of the republicans to nominate candidates for town offices at the town hall on Monday evening. The democratic caucus will be held at the town hall on Tuesday evening. The annual town meeting will occur on Monday, February 14.

John A. Taylor writes from North Dakota that the weather is doing business at 42° below zero. At time of writing the weather here is trying to do business in the mosquito temperature.

The committee of Middlesex North Pomone Grange on good of the order.



RECREATION A NECESSITY.

Work Should Be Followed by Play, Not Simply by Rest

or Sleep.

by a reasonable fatigue. This fatigue can be remedied by sleep, but the endless routine of alternating labor and rest in time makes the individual pay the penalty. This penalty is lessened efficiency, a lowered morale and a shortened life.

Grow Old Too Fast.

well as the cure. Separate the word scribed monotony of gymnasium work into the prefix, "re," and the remainder or physical culture.

of the word, "creation." That is the word watch the little children for a mosecret of it. Recreation "re-creates." ment. You can almost see them grow Just as we put labor and rest as oppo-sites in the alternations of daily life

great industry and wise management in the home and other homes. She leaves an aged husband, who is over ninety years of age; a daughter, Mrs William Pollock, and three grand-children. The funeral was held on

Thursday afternoon from the home.

Mrs. Alma R. Hildreth, wife of Albert A. Hildreth, died at her home on the Concord road last week Friday after a brief iliness, aged thirty-nine

She leaves, besides her hus-

years. She leaves, besides her husband, three young children, her father, Samuel L. Bailey of Andover, and several sisters. She will be pleasantly remembered in town as Miss Bailey some time previous to her marriage, with smile and cheer and personality that left abundant optimism in her associations in the commanity. Sunshine aid cheer was her affinity by nature and cultivation.

The funeral was from her home last Sunday afternoon. The parlor, where

The funeral was from her home last Sunday afternoon. The parlor, where rested mortality, was where friends and relatives contributed their evi-dence of loss and appreciation by the unusual display of flowers. Rev. David Wallace conducted the service. The

bearers were Clarence and Arthur G. Hildreth, Balph Balley and Albert Trull. Bornal was it Fairview cem-etery beside an infant child.

Mrs. Susan (Tufts) Flanders, widow of Charles R. Flanders, died sed-denly at the home of her niece in Winthrop. She was the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Levi Tutts, who lived

Mr. and Mrs. Levi Toffs, who lived with his family on the Bost of road in Groton, long known as the Augustis Woods place, now occupied by Neshit L Woods. After the death of her father the family moved to Westford. For several years after her merriage to Mr. Planders they resided on a small form on the Gould road, close the Transfer of the father the family has been been deather than the family of the father than the father tha

to the Tyngsboto line, known as the Roswell Reed place. After the death of Mr. Flanders and their son Charles

George T. Day, Pres., Sherman H. Fletcher, Sec.

Miss Josie Provost, who has been

days, is getting along nicely and hopes to return to her home here in a few

she made her home with her

that we sober down too much and too quickly and become such slaves to money making and money spending and the ceaseless demands of the ma-chinery of the artificialities of social life that we get too serious and forge how to be merry. We should get down on the floor with the kiddles and romp

> Loosen Up. Dignity Is a Disease. Don't Be Stiff-Necked. Romp with the Kiddies. Dance and Play Games. Play Is a Necessity for Health. You Are Not as Old as You Think.

as they toss and tumble and run about, with their ceaseless activity and their

The Body Is Recreated and Kept Youthful by Wholesome Fun

and Pleasure.

By DR. R. KENDRICK SMITH, with them. Then we could acquire once more the spontaneous glee of care-free, innocent fun and the exhibitantion of the physical freedom of an all round as been characterized as "nature's sweet restorer," and this is true, but it is not by any means the only but it is not by any means the only but it is necessary to health, and work is necessary to health, and the property of the physical freedom of an all round any evidence of a smile? Is there even a hint of that twinkle which is always ling or the medicinal exercise of the previous first true with most of us adults that our cackle of a laugh is the result that our cackle of a laugh is the result of a theatrical jest or a neighbor's joke or a newspaper cartoon, rather than the always available opportunity for the wholesome jollity of youthful romp and play? If the latter makes such a very obvious difference in the actual shape and expression of the flesh of the face, is it not perfectly possible that the flesh of other parts of the body, including organs internal, may not also be changed in shape and function by the same thing?

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So our advice is for you to "loosen sites in the alternations of daily life should we put work and play. The hackneyed saying "variety is the spice of life" is true also in its biological and hygienic aspect. Dr. Richard Cabot in one of the "best sellers" of the day brings this out in the title of his book, which is "Work, Play, Love and Worship." In these five words he epitomizes the essentials of genuine life, and you will notice that second in importance only is "play."

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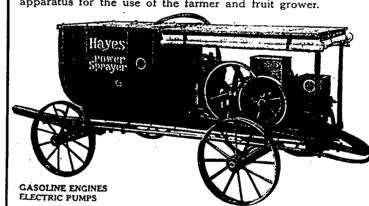
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that his early spring duties will not Firemen's Ball, interfere with his playing when Granteville and Westford meet.

| Many people tended the fire

The members of Cameron circle, C town he was endeared.

His character was strong, his feelings deep, his mind rich in wisdom, his spirit full of sunshine, and his hope ever high for America's future and our republic's prosperity.

His memory, so bright and beloved, will cheer us on our way and man F. of A., held a well attended and in-teresting meeting in their rooms on Tuesday evening. Much business of a routine order was transacted and a cial hour was enjoyed at the close of the session.

His memory, so bright and beloved, will cheer us on our way, and may those coming after us find a helpful leadership in his noble example.

Resolved: That a copy of these resolutions be sent to Mrs. Long with our deep sympathy for her and the members of her family, and also a copy be spread upon our records.

The spring-like weather that we have had for the past few days has put all thoughts of coasting and skating in the background.

There was no session held in the

Many people from this village attended the firemen's ball held in Abbot's hall. Forge Village, on last week Friday evening and with Flanagan's orchestra of Mariboro furnishing the music and all the "old timers" out, the affair was really in the nature of a reunion. The dance was in charge of the John Edwards hose company and as one member tomarked "this and as one member remarked "this is the first dance I have been to in eighteen years." It was plainly evident that at least one person hung fast to the rule of "gilde dancing only." It was surely one grand successive the surely one grand success. Deputy high chief ranger, J. A. Healy, assisted by R. J. McCarthy, Edward Riney and A. R. Wall installed the newly-elected officers of Court Wannaiancit, M. C. O. F., in North Chelmsford on last Tuesday evening. A social hour was enjoyed after the meeting, during which refreshments were served.

Is the first many and the state one person hung fast to the rule of "glide dancing following to the rule of "glide dancing only," It was surely one grand success socially and we trust financially, but as the committee run this affair for a good time only, it goes without saying that they accomplished their nurpose.

purpose.

Now that the Hose No. 1 company of Westford and the Hose No. 3 company of Forge Village have made their social bow this season, is it not about time for the Graniteville fire-

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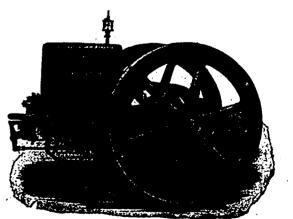
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PLUMBER

AYER, MASS.

Mrs. Herbert V. Martin, of New-on Upper Falls, spent the week-end and Sunday at the home of her sis-er, Mr. and Mrs. George H. B. Clark, Haskell street.

George Harris met with an acciden while in the discharge of his duties at the shop of Fred D. Weeks, which injured his face severely.

Mrs. M. M. Johnson, with son Milton, who have been visiting for a period of ten days with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Walter Knowles, return-ed to their home in Dorchester last Saturday.

Mrs. Henry Burrage is confined to her home with the grippe.

Mrs. Chester Parmenter, of Brock-ton, with daughter Lucile, are visitors at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. Ed-win Ponfret. Mrs. Parmenter was formerly Miss Stella Lawrence. a well-known resident of this

Mrs. Rockwood and daughter, o Lunenburg, spent the week-end and Sunday with Mr. and Mrs. Charles Dyke. The latter is Mrs. Rockwood's

Fred D. Weeks was confined to his home the latter part of last week with the grippe.

George H. B. Clark is confined to George H. B. Clark is commed to his home with pneumonia, which de-veloped from the grippe. A trained nurse, Miss Gregory, from the Boston City hospital, has arrived at the home. His wife, Mrs. Clark, is also suffering His wife, Mrs. Cla from the grippe.

By request the local board of health has received from the State Department of Health, Boston, a number of copies of the book entitled, "The baby and you," for distribution among the families of the town who are the happy possessors of babies. Mothers who wish a copy of the book can obwho wish a copy of the book can ob-tain one from the town board of health. The book contains valuable suggestions for the care of children. The reason the State Department of Health is taking this important step is to prevent the tremendous increase in infant mortality. The state department, upon expert analysis, has discovered that many deaths can be prevented through proper care on the part of mothers for their children. The books have been carefully compiled and are to be distributed free.

After an illness of seven years Sandy Gionet died in Caraquet, N. B. sandy Glonet died in Caraquet, N. B. Bast week Wednesday from the effects of tuberculosis. Mr. Gionet was a resident of this town for many years. The deceased is the son of Alevander Gionet and the late Hortense Bolger Gionet, of this town, and is survived by his wife, father and brothers, who are Patrick, of Dor-chester, and Frank and Felix, of this town; also, four sisters, Mrs. George Stebbins, Mrs. George Hache and Mrs. Archie Simard, of Shirley, and

Mrs. Aftenie Simard, of Smrley, and Mrs. Alphonse Leger, of Connecticut.

Mrs. Thomas D. Morin'is spending two weeks at the home of Mr. Morin's sister. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Clairmont, of Vermont. Miss Rosa Buckheim is at homeith tonsilitis.

Miss Ruth Whitaker is confined to er home by illness.

Mrs. Arthur R. Cummings, the re-tiring lecturer of Middlesex-Worces-ter Pomona Grange, was the recipient of a beautiful past lecturer's jewel on last week Thursday at the first meeting of the new year. The gift was from the members of the Pomona Grange, who took this manner to show their appreciation of the lecturer who has held the office for three consecution means the consecution was the consecution of the lecturer who has held the office for three consecution means the lecture of the consecution means the lecture of tive years. Hon, Charles M. Gardner the high priest of demeter, and past master of the Massachusetts State Grange, of Westfield, installed the of-ficers-lect, after which he made the presentation speech in his usual efficient manner. Mrs. Cummings was taken wholly by surprise and she re-sponded to that effect. Mr. Gardner, in his remarks, stated that this was the first time he had ever presented a past lecturer's jewel.

Mrs. Fremont W Keyes, of Auburndale, is spending a few days this week with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Ernest

George N. Hersom has been con

Earl C. Merriman is confined to his home this week with the grippe. John T. Smith is confined to his

Miss Dora Burnham, of Revere, is spending a few days this week at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Albe Annis. The Matrons' Aid did not meet o Tuesday with Mrs. Charles Bradford owing to illness in the family. The date of the next meeting will be an nounced later

i club will hold its next Thursday in the ns. This meeting will be in club rooms. charge of the music committee, who are Miss Mary A. Park and the Missel Martha J. and Annie B. Hunter.

The ladies of the Congregational church will hold its regular monthly supper, social and entertainment in the vestry next Wednesday evening. Supper will be served at seven o'clock. entertainment will take place at evening give mise of being one of special meri

The Hunter family, Harvard road, are this week installing steam heat in are this week installing steam heat in their home. Charles E. Perrin, of Ayer, is doing the work.

There will be a public meeting un-der the auspices of the Board of Trade in Engine hall on Friday evening, February 4, at eight o'clock to discuss the plans for the new school discuss the plans for the new school building. The architect, Georgé C. Halcott, superintendent of public buildings in Worcester, will be present; also, a representative of the State Board of Education. Ladies are in-

H. O. Peasley is confined to his home with the grippe.

Marie, the little daughter of Mr. nd Mrs. Albert Clemenzi, who was fatally scalded by failing into a tub of hot water while at play on Wednesday morning, passed away Wednesday night from the results of the injuries sustained.

are two more candidates who are out for the position of road commission-Arthur G. Dunn for town clerk.

Officers Installed.

The officers-elect of J. C. Ayer lodge, A. O. U. W., were installed for the ensuing year on Monday evening. The installing officers were Edward H. Harlow, d.d.g.m., and suite, of Leominster. The retiring master workman, Harry O. Bangs, was presented

close of the installation ceremony a brief, practical address was made by suite also made brief remarks. Re-freshments were then served and the evening most enjoyably spent. Visit-ing members were present from near-

by lodges.

The following officers were install. The following officers were installed: Harry O. Bangs, p. m.; Sylvester Chesbrough, m. w.; John Gilmartin, fore.; Morton E. Lawrence, o.; Walter Knowles, rec.; John H. Will, Iln.; John Simpson, g.; Fred Smith, i. w.; William Gilmartin, o. g.; Joseph H. McClellan, trustee 3 yrs. The treasurer, Charles W. Wolff, was not present to be installed, owing to illness in his family. his family.

Children's Ball.

The children's ball, under the direc-The children's ball, under the direction of Mrs. C. R. White, was held on last week Friday evening in Odd Fellows' hall, nearly 400 being present, including a number from nearby towns. The matrons were Mrs. Hittle W. Evans and Mrs. Lucy J. Merriam. The ushers were Earl C. Merriam and Arthur C. Annis. Mudgett's orchestra furnished the music throughout the evening. The various dances by the pupils of Mrs. White were very satisfactorily exhibited and easily held the pupils of Mrs. White were very satisfactorily exhibited and easily held the close attention of the spectators, while many handsome costumes were beautifully displayed. The grand march was led by Marforie Wheeler, and Laura West. Ernest White and Frances Hersom were the winners of the prize waltz and were presented with souvenirs by Mrs. White.

The ushers were May Stebbins, Doris White, Sarah Stevenson, Mildred Day, Lena Allen and Gertrude Day. After the children's part a large number of adults engaged in the

Day. After the children's part a large number of adults engaged in the dancing. Refreshments of ice cream and cake were served at 10,30. At twelve o'clock the dancing was brought to a close and the spectators reluctantly left the brilliant scene after congratulating Mrs. White upon the successful termination of the event of the evening.

The Altrurian club observed guest night on Tuesday evening at the Con-gregational church vestry. The room was transformed into a handsome reception room and many handsome re-ception room and many handsome flowers filled the room with fra-grance and beauty. The president, Miss Grace Kilburn, opened the meet-ing with a few well chosen words, welcoming all present with greetings. A large number of members, with in-vited guests, were present and a very A large number of members, with invited guests, were present and a very social time was enjoyed. Miss Mildred Sanders, of Ayer, rendered several time solos, Miss Edith Longley, accompanist. Miss Sanders has a very fine voice and charmed all present. S. Thompson Blood, of Concord Linctles, impresented and characteristics. Junction, impersonator, entertained those present with representations of lifterent nations and many inimitable illustrations of odd characters. The hospitality and entertainment commitee, assisted by the executive board arranged and served a yery appetizing collation, consisting of chicken patties, rolls, coffee, clives, ice cream and candy. Many were present from Ayer and enjoyed the hospitality of the

Proposed New School Building.

As stated in the school committee's eport upon the plans for the proposd new school building, they have been worked out for present and the more immediate future needs. But, as the financial resources of the town would be somewhat taxed to build the entire building now, it will be recomnended that the town build the cenral part. This would leave eight rooms to be added as circumstances

The building as thas planned, would architecturally complete external. It would contain in the basement her-mores and all the sanitary and pro-tours and all the sanitary and heating arraneoments; on the first floor the teachers' room, supply room and the space occupied on the full plum by the assembly room; and on the second floor the home room, recitation room, a commercial room for the high school; the science laboraory could be accommodated for the desent in one of these rooms. In the space on the first floor danned for the assembly room in the

completed building, two grade rooms can be provided that will accommodate the four upper grades. Leaving the present Church street building for the four lower grades. These could be placed in the two rooms on the first floor, the only ones really fit for pupils for main in steadily and the only two streeted member of Brookline. He attended church here and his w.fe. Mrs. Mary for remain in steadily and the only two streeted member of Brookline Grange streeted member of Brookline Grange. to remain in steadily and the only two originally planned for. The room oc-upled at present by grades three and four was taken out of the attic as a temporary make-shift, and has been ased too long as a regular class room. used too long as a regular class room.
The number of pupils in grades one and two will probably exceed fifty regularly hereafter. In this case the law compels us to hire an assistant to the regular teacher unless the town the regular teacher unless the town meeting votes otherwise. This assistant could take groups of children to the attic room for the recitation work. The present high school building could then be sold and the proceeds applied toward the cost of the new highlight.

uilding. The estimated cost of such a building is under \$25,000 if built of brick and in the so-called "slow-burning" type. If only the outer walls were constructed of brick the cost would be about \$20,000, while if a wooden building were decided upon the cost would be approximately \$16,000. The state law allows the payment of money borrowed for the construc-tion of school buildings to be distribu-

ed over a twenty-year period.
F. C. Johnson, Supt.

Mr. and Mrs. Arthur Cummings, Mr. and Mrs. A. A. Adams, Mr. and Mrs. N. R. Graves, Mrs. Bessie Bux-ton and William Jubb attended the on and William Jubb attended the nstallation of officers at the meeting of the Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Frange in Groton last week Thurs lay. Mr. Adams was installed as mas ter of the Pomona Grange for 1916 and Mrs. Cummings was installed in

village,

on Tuesday evening, February 1, will be "anniversary night." The evening's entertainment is in the court committee of the past master Adams, George Farmer, Harry Lynch, Harry N. Brown,

The last meeting of the negistrars of voters before the authoral town meeting will be held in the fown hall on Saturday, January 25, from twelve at noon until ten in the evening. Mrs. John C. Ayers, who is confined to her home with illness is reported to be slowly improving.

Phyllis Farrar, Mary Grout and Alta Graves spent last Saturday in Ayer at the home of their former teacher, Mrs. Margaret Daley.

Ernest Bohanon is spending a few days at the home of his aunt, Mrs. David Marsh, Center road. Charles E. Bradford, who has held the office of town cark for two the office of town cark for two years, will be unable to take the position again this year on account of the postoffice regulation which does, not allow postmasters to hold town offices. Nomination papers have been

nces. Nomination papers have been taken out for his son, Lewis H. Bradford, for this office. Mr. Bradford is a young man of good character, is well-known and popular, and his election will mean a continuation of the effection service of the past two years. It has become a tradition for the of-fice of town clerk to be held by some citizen of the Center, and the office should remain here, not only for that reason, but for the sake of efficiency, since the town records are kept in the vault at the town hall, and the town clerk should be so situated as to be able to have easy access to them.

Mrs. Emmaline Howard, of Westminster, is visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Ayers. Henry Walenta left this week for Boston, where he expects to find em-

Officer Burrill is looking for on Casey, who it is said is wanted for taking an overcoat and hat in Groton Casey made his home for a short time with D. F. Carkin, and later went to work at the portable mill at the East. Officer Burrill, with assistants, made a search for Casey last week Friday night, but were unable to find him in Shirley.

Indifference is Deplorable. As town meeting approaches the annual burst of excitement and inter-est is evident and frequent discus-sions are heard among the voters as to what should and what should no be done. These discussions are valuable, but they become useless if the voters will not take the trouble to attend town meeting and register their views. There are in Precinct A, which contains the Center, North and East, a number of voters who show no interest in town meetings and who no interest in town meetings and who haven't attended one for several years. Such indifference is deplorable, and it is not to be wondered at that issues which directly concern the Center are often passed over, because of lack of often passed over, because of lack of someone to support them. It cannot be expected that the voters of Pre-cinct B will take it upon themselves to carry issues for the Center, if the voters of the Center themselves show no interest.

At the coming town meeting there will be several articles in the warrant, which if they do not affect the Center directly, will affect it indirectly through taxation, etc. It is up to the through taxation, etc. It is up to the voters of Precinct A to be at the town meeting on February 7 and express their views on these matters, and not wait and do their objecting after the damage has been done.

BROOKLINE, N. H. News Rems.

Mrs. Carrie Whitcomb entertained er daughter, Mrs. George Falconer, of Milford on last week Wednesday. Frank Maynard recently entertained his brother. Wallace Maynard, of Barre, Mass.

Mr. and Mrs. Alpha Hall werg visitors in Concord, Mass. last week Wednesday.

While Orlando Barber, who died at his home on Townsend hill last week was not a resident of this town, he lived just over the fine and was so closely associated with the affairs of this town that he seemed more like a order thereon. Attest, iteland of the church have not been attended or any order thereon. Barber, is a prominent and highly re-spected member of Brookline Grange, He had many friends and close neighors in the town.

Ethel Taylor was a visitor in Pepperell and Nashua last week Wednes Miss Sophie M. Paer left last Sat-

urday for a visit with friends and relatives in Cambridge, Boston and

Mrs. Alexander l'Ecuyer was quite il last week with congestion of the ungs. She is on the road to recovery. Mrs. Henry Shattuck, who has not een well for some time, was taken to hospital in Nashua on Monday norning for an X-ray examination of ner stomach

Mrs. Lizzie Marnard was the gues ast week Wednesday of Mrs. Leonora Bradley in Milford.

The names of Mr. and Mrs. Clarence Russell were unintentionally omitted from the account of the installation of the officers of Brookline Grange last week. Mr. and Mrs. Russell were the installing officers, assisted by Mrs. Della Hall, and the work was done beautifully, showing the re-sults of much work and preparation. J. E. Durkes, of the King farm, killed a nine-months-old pig last week that weighed 357 pounds.

The warm weather of last week brought people from the surrounding towns in large numbers to view the ice cutting at the pond. The work of marking, cutting, shaving and packing ice by modern methods is quite interesting, and on pleasant days many people come and watch the work go-

count of illness and her place was serious illness of her father, William taken by Miss Madeline Logue, of the Marshall.

Fred Rockwood's Buff Wyandots made an excellent showing at the Boston poultry show, capturing the following prizes: 6th cock, 1st hen, 2d, 4th and 6th cockerel. 2d and 3rd pullets, 1st pen, special for best 3 cockerels and pullets, and the silver cup offered by the Wyandot club for the best display.

Capt. William Ledd Dodge passed away at 7.30 Monday morning at his Capt. William Lettl Dodge passed away at 7.30 Monday morning at his home after a long fillness at the age of seventy-four years. Since coming here from Boston about nine years ago he lived quietly, as a partial blindness did not permit him to take a very active part in the affairs of the town, though he made many friends during the nine years he has been here. He was a veteran of the civil war and was a member of Perkins post No. 78, of Hampton, N. H. He was also a 32° Mason of the Massachusetts consistory. Besides his widow, Mrs. Viella Dodge of Groton, Mrs. Pauline Mason of Bethel, Me., Mrs. Helen Foster of Republic, Wash,, and John Dodge of Frankingham, Mass. Rev. Mr. Dockrill othered prayers at Rev. Mr. Dockrill offered prayers at the home here on Wednesday after-noon at two o'clock, and on Thursday the remains were taken to Hampto for burial.

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Respectfully shews JOHN H. KANSANNIVA, of Maynard, County of Middlesex, Commonweath of Massachusetts, that he was tawfully married to
MARIA KANSANNIVA, of Kortesjarvi,
Finland, at Maynard said County, on
or about November twenty-fourth, A.
D. 1996; that they have since lived together as husband and wife in said
Maynard until May fifth, 1908; that
your libellant has always been faithful to his marriage vows and obligations, yet the said Maria Kansanniva,
being wholly regardless of the same,
did utterly desert your libellant at said
Maynard on or about May fifth, 1908,
which ulter desertion has continued
for over three consecutive years next
prior to the filing of this libel.

Wherefore your libellant prays that

wherefore your libellant prays that a divorce from the bond of matrimony may be decreed between your libellant and the said Maria Kansanniva and for such further orders and decrees in the premises as to law and justice may appertain.

JOHN B. KANSANNIVA.

Commonwealth of Mannachunetts Middlesex, ss. Superior Court, January 19, 1916.

Superior Court, January 19, 1916.

Upon the foregoing libel, it is ordered that the libeliant notify the libelies to appear before our Justices of said Court, at Cambridge, in said Court, at Cambridge in Said libel and of the order thereon to be published in Turner's Public Sparit, a newspaper published in Ayer, in the County of Middlesex, once a week, three weeks successively, the Last publication to be fourteen days at least before the said last mentioned day, and that an attested copy of said died and order thereon be sent by registered letter to the residence of the libeliee as set our in the libel, that she may then and there show cause, if any she have, why the prayer in said libel set forth should not be granted.

WM. C. DILLLINGHAM Clerk.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex ss. Probate Court
To the heirs at law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of JoHN L. SHATTUCK late of Pepperell in said County, deceased, intestate,
Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the estate of said deceased to JOHN F. SARTELLE of Pepperell in said County, or to some other suitable person.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said Courty of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of February A. D. 1916, 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 Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court.
Witness Charles J. McIntire, Esquire,

lication to be one day at least before said Court.

Witness Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fifth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

3121 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-iaw, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of GEORGE PARK-ER late of Pepperell in said County, deceased, intestate.

Whereas a petition has been presented to said Court to grant a letter of administration on the extate of said deceased to GEORGE P. PARKER of Pepperell in the County of Middlesex, without giving a surety on his bond. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the sixteenth day of February A. D. 1916, 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 clation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in The Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a newspaper published in said County the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire,



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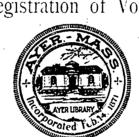
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> Thursday, January 20, 7,30 to 9,30 Saturday, January 29, 12 M. to 10

Registration will close at 10 P. M. Saturday, January 29, and no names will be added to the voting list after that date until after the next election, except the names of voters examined as to their qualifications between the preceding 30th day of April and the close of registering, or to correct a clerical error or mistake.

Persons wishing to register should oring a tax bill or a notice from the Collector of Taxes to show that they have been assessed for the year 1915. Naturalized citizens wishing to register must show their certificate of naturalization. PETER B. MURPHY.

FRANK J. MALONEY, LOUIS H. CUSHING, GUY B. REMICK. 3w19 Registrars of Voters

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS, Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the es-tate of EVELINE'S, PARKER of Peptate of EVELINE S. PARKER of Pepperell, in said County.
Whereas, FRED W. LOVEJOY, conservator of the property of said Eveline S. Parker, has presented for allowance, his first account as such conservator.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said Court.

sustained.

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Clinton A. Harris and Burt Woods are to more candidates who are out for Charles Haskims at the North for the position of road commissions, and Lewis Bradford will oppose Arthur G. Dunn for town clerk.

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The Girls' Sewing Guild held a pleasant meeting on last Saturday of rooten, the installing officers were Edward H. Arthur G. Dunn for town clerk.

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Saturday, January 29, 1916. GROTON

News Items.

Mrs. Woolley and sister, Mrs. Felton spent Tuesday in Nashua with Mrs. Catherine Woolley Cook and family.

The recently elected officers of the board of trade are Dr. Arthur G. Kilbourn, pres.; Wallace A. Brown, vice pres.; Frank A. Torrey, sec.; Carl A. P. Lawrence, treas.; John H. Sheedy, Geo. H. Hodgman, James B. Harrington, William A. Gobie, Joseph F. Peabody. directors. body, directors.

Word was received Sunday mornather home in Tewksbury of Mrs. Mary A. (Parkhurst) Bennett, after a wearisome illness of many years duration. Mrs. Bennett was the wida wearisome liness of many years duration. Mrs. Bennett was the widow of Henry A. Bennett and will be remembered by the older people here as Groton was her home before her marriage. She was born in Dunstable in 1833 and was the twin sister of William A. Parkhurst of this town. Besides her brother she leaves two sons, Edwin H. and George Bennett of the firm of Bennett Bros., who are well known in connection with their windmill and similar work. There are also four grandchildren: Mr. and Mrs. William A. Parkhurst, Mrs. A. F. Parkhurst and Mrs. G. H. Rockwood of Groton attended the funeral at Tewksbury on Tuesday afternoon.

Mrs. J. A. Burton is substituting for

Mrs. J. A. Burton is substituting for iss May, teacher of Moors school, Miss May, teacher of Moo who is ill with the grippe.

Mrs. Mary H. Lewis is the leader of the C. E. meeting next Sunday even-ing; subject, "Great missionaries."

In order to avoid a conflict with the Luther Blood course the readings by Mrs. S. W. Sturgls at the Groton library have been changed to February 1. W. Samuel W. Felton, accompanies.

Wallace A. Brown is a candidate for the office of tax collector.

hubs, making hard traveling.

Mrs. Maude E. Trayne received a er very successful.

ostal card Wedensday from Lebanon. The fourth in postal card Wedensday from Lebanon. N. H., poultry show, stating that she had been awarded two first prizes on her Japanese silkies. At the Nashua poultry show she was also awarded first prize with the same birds, there being twenty-eight birds in the Japanese silkies. At the Boston show she received second and fourth and at Wakefield first prize. Altogether there were six different birds shown.

the Unitarian church will be held next Thursday evening at the usual hours.
There will be a very good supper and
entertainment provided for the usual
large attendance given these annual social events.

Groton lodge, I. O. O. F., will hold their eighth annual concert and ball in town hall, Thursday evening, February 10. Music, Allen's orchestra of Natick. Concert from eight to nine. Dancing from nine to two.

Frank A. Torrey's term of office as The subject on Sunday morning selectman, assessor of taxes and overbe "Tightening the girdle chains." of the poor expires with this year.

election as tax collector.

fully through the operation at the Clinton hospital last Saturday. The operation showed that the diagnosis had been correct. The large gall-stones found weighed three and a half ounces. The largest, Dr. Goodwin says that he ever found in all his operations.

Mrs. Harry Shattuck is a patient at the Groton hospital.

Four of Mr. and Mrs. W. Felton Stone's children have the scarlet fever.

Grippe and grippe colds are widely prevalent here, almost every family has its one or more sufferers.

The fireman's annual concert and To the Editor: The fireman's annual concert and ball hield last week Friday was a very successful affair. Poole's orchestra of Boston furnished a high class concert which preceded the dance. Mr. and Mrs. Arthur A. Wood led the grand march in which were many couples. The turkey supper was an extra good one and was patronized by larger

Mr. Allen, the blacksmith, is now out of quarantine from scarlet fever and is returning to work. The report that he had sold out his shop is incorrect.

It is reported freely about town, and the report seems to have some foundation in fact, that the Moore's Store Co. has sold out. They are now taking an account of stock.

Clarence E. Tuttle, Samuel H. Rad-din, Frank D. Lewis, George S. Knapp and H. H. Gay were among those from this town who attended the Massachu-setts Fruit Growers' association in Boston last week.

Carl Gleason has been working in Worcester for a month or so, but his friends hear that he is now sick with the grippe. J. A. Sanderson had his birthday last week Tuesday. Friends from out

of town were among those who re-membered the day which passed off pleasantly except that Mrs. Sander-son was taken sick that morning.

The current events section of the Woman's club met with Mrs. William H. Whitehill on Tuseday afternoon. All but four of the members were

by Mrs. S. W. Sturgis at the Groton library have been changed to February 4 and February 11. All are cordially invited.

Mrs. Nora Folkins and Mrs. Blanche Brown accompanied Mrs. Grace Winslow, district deputy president, of Ayer to Fitchburg last Tuesday evening to install the officers of the E. Victoria Morse Rebekah lodge of that city.

Mrs. Samuel W. Felton, accompanied by her aunt, Mrs. Dudley Moors, inde by her aunt, Mrs. Dudley Moors, on her return from Detroit week before last and has since been visiting her mother. Mrs. Juliet Stone and others of the family on Court street and relatives, elsewhere. Mrs. Felton (Clara Stone) leaves to return to Detoit took this week Friday.

An unusually large attendance is

city.

Friends calling at the Groton Private hospital this week find Mrs. Eugene Collier very comfortable and well fifty partook of the excellent dinner and about two hundred were in attendance is reported at the Pomona Grange here last week Thursday. One hundred and fifty partook of the excellent dinner and about two hundred were in attendance of the excellent dinner and about two hundred were in attendance. on the road to recovery.

The Camp-fire girls will meet at the tendance at the afternoon session. The Camp-fire girls will meet at the tendance at the afternoon session. Mrs. James Pitch and Miss Hattie duration, Miss Edith Waters, next two of the installing officer. Hon. These A Brown is a candidate for the campaignees of the control Wallace A. Brown is a candidate for the office of tax collector.

During the warm April like weather of this week the frost has come out of the ground so that on the roads off the state road the mud in places is so deep that wheels go up to their the walking has been read an original poem. "Greetings of 1916." This was the first Pomona was altogethered.

will be the speaker. The public is cordially invited to this service.

Having been urged by friends to become a candidate for school committee. Mrs. Cora L. Farwell has consented to be a candidate for the office. Abraham F. Cottrell, jr., of West Groton, whose term expires, will not consent to serve again. Other candidates for this office are Henry H. Gay and Mrs. Mary W. Mansur.

There was a regular Grange meeting Tuesday night. At the business meeting it was voted to buy the so-called Erving property on Champney street. After that followed the conferring of the first and second degrees on a class of eleven. Then came selections by the orchestra. A farce, "Her weekly allowance." finished the evening's program.

The annual gentlemen's night at the Unitarian church will be held next.

The deceased was a woman who had experienced much sorrow and trouble, but who kept bravely on with her life was cherrically as many whose lives were more smoothly cast. She found the happiness in always doing for others. J.

Marion Arlene, the ten months old baby, the pet in the family of Mr. and Mrs. George Carkin, died unexpectedly in January 24. The little girl had a bad cold but it was not thought serious until Monday when a doctor was called. He pronounced her hopelession of the first and second degrees on a class of eleven. Then came selections by the orchestra. A farce, "Her weekly allowance." finished the evening's program.

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There is a Reaper whose name is Death, And with his sickle keen, He reaps the beared grain at a breath, And the flowers that grow between.

O not in cruelty, not in wrath. The Reaper came that day: 'Twas an angel visited the green earth And took the flower away.

Baptist Church.

The subject on next Sunday evening will be "Forgiveness of will be special music. "Forgiveness of sins." The subject on Sunday morning wil

seer of the poor expires with this year. He is a candidate for re-election.

Myron P. Swallow, whose term as electric light commissioner expires this year, is not a candidate for re-election, but he is a candidate for re-election, but he is a candidate for re-election, but he is a candidate for re-election.

Mr. and Mrs. Albert Farwell enter-tained the members of the choir at their home on School street, Monday evening. Some very interesting games were played, after which refreshments-were served. They all departed say-ing they had spent a very pleasant ing they had spent a very pleasant evening.

All boys are cordially invited to the freside gathering on next Monday evening; subject. "The best boy in Groton, who is he?"

ary 24.

I have been scheited by a number of the voters in the town of Groton to allow my name to be put in nomination as a member of the electric light

The turkey supper was an extra good one and was patronized by larger numbers than usual.

At the Congregational church social last week there was a good supper and good entertainment, but there was not a large attendance.

Mr. Allen, the blacksmith, is now out of quarantine from scarlet fever and is reported as quite ill and weak.

Ed.

I can only say this: That if you choose to place me in that position, I will endeavor to do my share to have an economical administration of the affairs of the electric light commission and will try osee that the town gets the value of whatever money is expended.

Mr. Allen, the blacksmith, is now out of quarantine from scarlet fever and is reported as quite ill and weak.

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Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Adams will expended.

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Groton School Notes. This term finds a new master at the school. Ashley Nagle has taken Mr. Gladwin's place in the French department during the latter's illness. Mr. Nagle is a graduate of Williams '12. While at college he took a prominent part in athletics and won his letter in football and basketball. Since ter in football and basketball. Since graduating he has taught at Dummer academy, Nichols school in Buffalo, and the Irving school in Tarrytown. He has already entered actively into the athletics of the school, for he is coaching the basketball team for its game with St. Georges on February

The sum of \$356 was collected from the school for Archdeacon Stuck for his work in Alaska.

The military uniforms for the Rifle club have arrived. At a meeting of the Dramatic asso-ciation on January 13, it was announc-ed that the play which is to be pre-sented on Washington's birthday is to "The man on the box." a comedy by Grace Livingston Furniss, adapted from the novel of the same name by Harold MacGrath.

Miss Rose Peabody, daughter of Rev. and Mrs. Endicott Peabody, is taking a three-months' course in nurs-ing at the Presbyterian hospital in New York.

The following baseball schedule has been arranged by Manager Lanman, which includes sixteen games

Noble and Greenough. Lowell Textile. Boston English high. Worcester South high. Boston Latin. Middlesex (at Concord). Harvard 2d. Worcester academy.

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Middlesex (at Groton).
Cambridge Theologica..
Harvard 1819.
Country lay.
Lawrence academy.
Powder Point.
St. Marks (at Groton).

There are three new teams added this year. Boston Latin, Worcester academy and Volkmann.

Thrilling Adventures.

meeting of the year and was altogether very successful.

The fourth in the Luther Blood free course of lectures will be given in the town hall this Friday evening. Lieut. Alfred H. Miles of the U.S. navy will give an illustrated talk on "Submarines."

Thriling Adventures.

Norman Prince, ex '05, who has been a member of the French aviation corps since the outbreak of the European war, gave an account of some of his adventures at a dinner given in his honor in Boston during his stay in this country on a short leave of absence.

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peared to President William Prince and his two companions. William Thaw and Elliott Cowden, interned on the grounds that they were belligerents fighting for a foreign country. However, nothing could be legally done to retain them, and they sailed on the Rochambeau on January 4 to rejoin their squad.

Town Warrant.

There are eighteen articles in the warrant for the town meeting this year and besides the regular routine order the town will yote to see if \$200 will be raised and appropriated fo band concerts; to raise and appropri ate \$2000 to purchase a parcel of land, build a lock-up and build storage sheds; to raise and appropriate \$450 to install a heating plant in Squanna cook hall; to raise and appropriate \$200 for the celebration of the Fourth of July; to raise and appropriate \$414.85 to pay outstanding bills; to see if the town will extend the electric lighting system on Mill street by erecting two poles and placing lights there ing two poles and placing lights thereon; to raise and appropriate \$75 for
the extension of the electric light line
from the Ed. Glison place to the John
Tuttle place; to raise and appropriate
\$1000 to grade the Tarbell and Boutwell school grounds, \$500 on each; to
see if the town will amend its by-laws;
to see if the town will vote to define
the bounds of the triangular parcel
of land lying between Hollis street; of land lying between Hollis street Common street and the land of F. A

New cases of scarlet fever reported

in bed for five weeks, seems a little better at this writing. She expects to spend a few days soon at Groton hos-pital.

Miss Helen MacChlerie is spending reside gathering on next stonds evening; subject, "The best boy in Groton, who is he?"

The men of the church will give a supper on Thursday evening. February of the same assume the supper of the same of the sa

ness of the same nature. Mrs R. H. Burgess has been ill several days this week:

John Winkle, who is employed in the bleaching department at the paper mill is suffering from the effects of an acid used in the process. He has not only burns caused by the acid but he nous fumes and P. W. Kane has had electric lighting inscalled in his home, the work being completed quite recently.

Mr. and Mrs. A. W. Adams will en-joy electric lighting in their home in the very near future, the wiring be-Asel Bates is with his aunt. Mrs.

McCarley, during the quarantine of his home. Edward Webber is out of school

and his little sister Georgia is suffer-this week with cold and indigestion ing from the latter trouble, which seems to be quite prevalent among the little ones. Neither is considered seriously ill. Mrs. Frank Humiston of East Jaf-frey. N. H., is visiting at the home of her mother, Mrs. Martha Tarbell.

Miss Irene Downs, who has been in New York during most of the past year, arrived home on Thursday eve-She was accompanied by her Miss Winnie Gallagher, of

Barbara Lamb has nearly recovered at 2.39 o'clock.

Barbara Lamb has nearly recovered from the scarlet fever and in a few days the family will be out of quarantine. All the children except baby Helen have taken their turn at the fever. Their nurse, Mrs. Postings of Shirley left some time since.

Owing to the Luther Blood lecture in Groton and the box social in West Groton on Friday evening, the reading by Mrs. Sturgis at the Groton library will be postponed till February 4 at eight p. m.

Mrs. George Podre were likeful foreign missionaries." Leader, Amy Elisford.

brary will be I Mr. and Mrs. George Dodge were Rixford.

Mr. and Mrs. George Dodge were called to Brookline, N. H. on Wednesday by the death of his father. Capt. William Ladd Dodge. On Thursday Mr. Dodge went to Hampton, N. H., where the body was taken for burial. The deceased was captain to burial. The deceased was captain to the or burial. The deceased was captain of the 23d N. H. regiment and served the Civil war.

The Gun club will enjoy a clam supported the 1914 reports.

per at its regular meeting on Friday evening, February 4.

A quiet but very pretty ceremony occurred at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Phineas Parker on Sunday evening at six o'clock when the eldest daughter Marian was united in marriage to James Clarence Caldwell of Providence, R. I. Mr. Caidwell is a brick and marble layer and was employed for quite a time on the new leatherboard building. The bride was dressed in white and carried white roses. She was attended by her sister. Miss Gertrude Parker, also in roses. She was attended by her sister. Miss Gertrude Parker, also in white with white roses. Rev. J. P. Trowbridge performed the ceremony.

Ayer.

Michael Moran was born in County Cork, Ireland, October 6, 1832. He emigrated to America when a young man, coming at once to West Groton, where he has lived for more than fity years. About forty-six years ago he married Miss Hannah Devine of Green, Mr. Moran was for many he married Miss Hannah Devine of Groton. Mr. Moran was for many years employed in the leatherboard mill, but for some time he has been unable to leave his home and during the past few months he had become perfectly helpless. The deceased is survived by his wife, also four daughters and two sons: Mrs. John Dugan of Leominster. Miss Mary Moran of Pasadena, Cal. Mrs. George G. Harrington of West Groton, Mrs. Patrick Madigan of Fitchburg, Michael Moran Jr., of Leominster, and James Moran of West Groton; also, six grandchildren, Elwin, Katherine and Raymond Dugan of Leominster and Grant, Virtue. oren, Elwin, Katherine and Raymond Dugan of Leominster and Grant, Vir-ginia and Lucille Harrington of West Groton.

Many beautiful flowers were sent by

friends and relatives, among them a set piece from the Groton Leather-board Co., whom he had served for so board Co., whom he had served for so many years. Aside from the immediate family, relatives present were: Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Devine, Mrs. John Baker, the Misses Katherine and Annie Baker, Charles Corey, all of Leominster, and Mr. and Mrs. John Moran and son and Miss Bridget Moran of Fitchburg. A sister survives, Mrs. Dukeny, who was too feeble to be present. present

C. E. Inklings.

dectric light commissioner expires church. The trip to Ayer was made this year, is not a candidate for relection, but he is a candidate for relection, but he is a candidate for relection as tax collector.

Mrs. Abram Miller passed success
young people of the Ayer Baptist New cases of scarlet fever reported this week are those of Elizabeth Bates. The committee meetings for next this week are those of Elizabeth Bates. The committee meetings for next this week are those of Elizabeth Bates. The committee meetings for next this week are those of Elizabeth Bates. The committee meetings for next this week are those of Elizabeth Bates. The committee meetings for next this week are those of Elizabeth Bates. The committee meetings for next this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and executive committees. The regular this week will be held by the information and the regular this week will be held by the information and the regular this week will be held by the information and the regular this week are those of Elizabeth Bates.

About forty were presnt at the meeting last Sunday evening. The was very interesting and helpful. Miss topic of "Worth while amusements" Sylvia Lawrence sang a solo as special

music. The topic for next Sunday is "Great foreign missionaries," led by the mis-sionary committee. Special music. John Hough, John Robinson and Lee Bixby attended a meeting of the Ideal society of Christian Endeavor at Concord Junction on Wednesday evening. They will report on Sunday

The wiring of the parsonage for electric lighting is well underway. It is one of the C. E. tasks this year to pay for this installation.

The executive committee of the unmeet at West Acton on Saturda evening

Don't forget the C. E. box social on this Friday evening.

TOWNSEND

At the acssion of the high school of At the lassion of the high school of the high school of the livered debate was given on the following subject: Resolved, "That the high school text books should be chosen by the College Board of Education." (Chilene and chosen by the College Board of Edu-cation." Catherine O'Brien, and James Rusk, affirmative: Gertrude Higgins, Agnes Farrar, negative; the judges' decision was in favor of the affirmative. On Friday, February 4, from 12.20 until one o'clock another debate promises to be lively and full of interest on the question. Resolved. of interest on the question, Resolved "That the United States has done right in fortifying the Panama canal." Louise Whitcomb, Louise Arlin, affirm-ative; Gladys Rawson, Ora Watkirs. ative; Gladys Rawson, Ora Wa-negative. Visitors are welcome.

At the Methodist church Rev. G. M. Newhall will occupy the pulpit Sunday morning in the absence of the pastor. Dr. E. C. Charlton has not fully recovered from the recovered A. H. Thompson and family enjoyed an auto ride on Wednesday afternoon and evening, the first time in five weeks that all the family have been able to be out together.

Barbara Lamb been

Charles W. Hildreth is having his

The senior high school class were pleasantly entertained Tuesday even-

Mrs. Florence Gwinn and Miss Letitia Van Etten sang "When the roll is call-Van Etten sang "When the roll is call-ed up yonder" and "Heet me there." Flowers sent by schoolmates and friends gave silent tertimony of the love and esteem they had for their young friend, whose budding life was

BOXBOROUGH

losed at eventide.

The auditorium of our church was

were guests at C. T. Weiherbee's

schools at the town hall Friday, owing to the illness of Mr. Deane, who is having a siege with the grippe. A baby daughter arrived at the home of Leo Cunningham Thursday

Vednesday.

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Miss Mabel Philbrick is at home for a short time. Her father is among the number of those who are having an attack of the grippe.

Miss Pabel Kearney, of Groton, had charge of the Young People's Social Divinity Fudge club at St. Andrew's mission on last Thursday evening.

The sympathy of the village is tended to Albert A. Hildreth in loss of his wife last week Friday. The annual ball of the John Ed-wards hose company was held in Ab-bot hall last week Friday evening and

proved to be a success financially as well as socially. Among those pres-ent were members from the hose com-pany of Westford and a large delega-The auditorium of our church was completely filled Sunday by an auditence including not only our own townspeople but friends 'rom Littleton and Wset Acton, who listened to a fine discourse by Mr. Missirian, who also read his letter of acceptance to the pastorate of Boxborough.

The registrars will be in session at the selectmen's room Satuiday, January 29, from twelve m. to ten p. m.

The many friends of Mrs. Louisia Priest will regret to hear that she has been on the sick list this week with a physician in attendance.

Mrs. Pleasers Salmon with a portion of Mrs. R. D. a physician in attendance.

Mrs. Florence Salmon with a party of friends from Boston enjoyed "Chinchin" at the Colonial theatre last Saturday.

Mr. Stone and Mr. Coburn of West, Mrs. Edmund Fundleberry and Mrs. Napoleon Leclere. The proceeds of the affair will be used to purchase

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in the Unitarian church, was the guest of Rev. Frank B. Crandall and attended the men's supper. While here he inade a complete and careful set of measurements of the interior and exterior of the church.

Miss Ethel Lillibridge, the parish worker, employed by the North Middlesex Conference, has been secured through the efforts of the president of the conference and of the parish committee and minister. She will assist this week the minister in the work of parish visiting. She is staying with

Washington street, in place of the regular February meeting.

Ice cutting by the Boston Ice Comthe first of the week because of the extremely mild weather. The company intends to resume cutting as soon as weather conditions will allow.

J. William Brown left this week Fri-

Europe passed through here Monday morning bound for Boston from which place they will be shipped across the water.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Fallon, who have been employed at Col. Nickerson's house on upper Pleasant street, left for Boston last Saturday. The house was closed Monday.

Mrs. Mary Fletcher Gilbert and her state, Miss Nina Fletcher, of Spencer, were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Fletcher last Sunday.

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Were guests of Mr. and Mrs. D. W. Fletcher last Sunday.

Martin Scullane, p. w. p., assisted by George Millson, p. w. c., installed these officers of Ayer Junction Aerie at the last meeting: C. R. Johnson, w. p.; P. A. Parker, w. v. p.; Thomas lickay, w. c.; William Thompson, w. .; William J. Donlon, w. t.; John Pallon, i. g.; John T. Sheiman, o. g.; atrick Cheasty, Dr. Leon D. Sullity, and Fred O'Clair, trustees. A dinach was served.

"The insurrection," in three parts, v. II be the headliner this Saturday coming at the moving picture show, others will be "The unseen enemy," a one-part drama; "Old good for nothing" and "Think of the money," two larce-comedies, and others of interest w.II be shown. The bill comprises over 7,000 feet of pictures. Next Wednesday evening "Officer 666," which is taken from the play of the same name, which has had a run in Bozton and elsewhere, will be the attraction with other good pictures; also, Pathe Weekly, showing the world in motion.

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The postor of the Baptist church will speak on Sunday morning at 19.45 on "The common-place life gorified." Sunday school at twelve, at seven in the evening the sons revice will be followed by a sermon by Rev. S. D. Ringrose, of Fitchburg, who will speak on "Catching and training a wife." W. Gardner Stock well, of Fitchburg, will play the Swiss bells. A free-will offering will be take to to aid Mr. Ringrose in cancelling the mortgage on his church.

Rev. Edwin A. Rumball, the efficiency expert of the American Univarian association, was the guest over the week-end at the home of Howard M. Beverly, clerk of the parish.

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A. E. Lawrence, coal and grain dealer, has purchased a new Netco auto truck and will be pleased to deliver his goods to the house in any town within ten miles of Ayer at a mail margin over the cost at the store. First-class goods and sales guaranteed.

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The W. C. T. U. will hold a meeting in the vestry of the Baptist church on Friday afternoon, February 4, at 2.39 o'clock.

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The members of Robert Burns lodge, I. O. O. F., visited Maynard lodge on Wednesday evening.

The registrars of voters will have their final session previous to town election this Saturday from twelve at noon until ten in the evening.

The Middlesex-Worcester Pomona Grange will meet here on Thursday, February 3, in the town hall. The entertainment for the day will be furnished by the Middlesex-Central Pomona Grange in charge of Mrs. Maud Moore Clark, lecturer, of Sudbury.

A business meeting of the Ayer Branch Alliance will be held Thursday afternoon, February meeting.

The home of Mrs. Ellen Kittredge, Washington street, in place of the regular February meeting.

past patron, presented a past matron's jewel to Mrs. Grace A. Lentz. Then followed remarks by the installing officers and also by Mrs. Melissa Cook, of Fitchburg, a guest, who was the first grand matron of the grand chaper of Massachusetts. A short entertainment followed, consisting of musical selections by the Euterpean trio of Leominster, Miss Lottle G. Bowers, violin; Miss Esther day afternoon for Beacon Falls, Conn... after a visit to his home here. Mr. Brown has an excellent position with the Beacon Falls Shoe Company.

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AYER

News Items. Ernest Ruddy, of Clinton, began work as night clerk in Brown's lunch room on Tuesday night.

The condition of Jenness W. Brown is reported as much improved this week Friday.

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Mrs. H. W. Winslow, d. g. p., assisted by Miss Myrtle Smith, g. m.; Mrs. Nora Folkins, d. g. s.; Mrs. Blanche Brown, d. g. w.; Mrs. W. H. Dudley, d. g. t.; Mrs. W. E. Wheeler, d. g. c.; Mrs. Oren Kidder, d. g. g., all of Vesta Rebekah lodge, l. O. O. F., and Mrs. Jennie Hazen of Fitchburg, d. g. h., installed the officers of E. Victoria lodge in Fitchburg on Monday evening. They also installed the officers of Mary A. Livermore lodge in Shirley this Friday evening.

HARVARD

News Items. The Ladies' Benevolent society will meet on Tuesday for an all-day sew-ing meeting with Miss E. E. Hersey

Miss Lillian Hazelton, from Win-chendon, is visiting this week with Mr. and Mrs. I. E. Morse,

About seventeen members of Harvard lodge, I. O. F., with friends, visited a neighborhood meeting of Odd Fellows in Maynard on Wednesday evening, going by autos. They re-port a fine supper and entertainment. Miss Adelle Richardson, a register ed nurse, from Boston, is a guest this week with Dr. and Mrs. H. B. Royal.

Miss Silva, of Hudson, has been engaged to fill the vacancy at the primary school. Miss Silva has had experience and is well qualified to take charge of this school.

A large number from here attended the Men's supper and social of the Still River church on Thursday evening, despite the very adverse traveling conditions. They enjoyed the excellent supper and also the play given by the men of that parish. Still River.

The annual supper and entertain The annual supper and entertainment by the gentlemen connected with the Ladies' Aid society was given in the vestry on Thursday evening, about 150 being present, many coming from Harvard and others from Clinton, Bolton Liid Ayer. After the supper the farce, "Hunting for Hapgood," was given, the "star" actors, Mrs. Fannie Haskell and Chester Willard, keeping all in good humor, and the other parts by Madeline Russell, Walter Haskell and Wendell Willard were equally well taken. equally well taken.

Mrs. Annie Russell and Miss Alice Marshall attended the Unitarian Con-ference in Worcester on Thursday. Mrs. Anna Flanders has been visiting relatives in Mattapan.

Mrs. L. H. Morse has been visiting in Newton.

Miss Laura A. Brown, of West Ac-ton, is visiting her sister, Mrs. Jennie Willard. Florence Gabrielson and Mrs. Jen-ie Willard have both been very sick

with the grippe. Miss Moffatt is visiting at Mrs. Dad

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The Boston Globe of January 16 contained an article clipped from the Kansas City. When you had now the lawyer in the start who where the attended the shool. Latter he had been a proved to Kansas City, where he attended the had been community with its schools and graduated from the high chools and graduated from the high schools and graduated from the high chools and hig moved to Kansas City, where he has since lived. Mr. Atwood was noted even in his early years as a fine speak-er and a very sharp wit. He is a brother of Judge Warren H. Atwood, of this town. The story is as follows:

brother of Judge Warren H. Atwood, of this town. The story is as follows:

When John H. Atwood, the Kansas City lawyer, was practicing in Leavenworth, he once violated all the traditions of the legal profession by denouncing his client in court as an "old devil." unworthy of winning the suit, and not only won his client's case but escaped any censure by the bar association for doing it. It was a long time before Leavenworth ceased to smile over his remarkable defense of his client, and the story is still good for a laugh whenever lawyers gather to swap yarns.

It was back in 1895 that the case came up in the district court at Leavenworth before Judge Meyer. Col. D. R. Anthony, the fighting editor of the Leavenworth Times, was Atwood's client. Col. Anthony was being sued by John C. Douglass for possession of a valuable lot on which Col. Anthony had paid taxes regularly for thirty years.

a valuable lot on which Col. Anthony had paid taxes regularly for thirty years. It appeared that previous to that time Douglass had obtained a tax title to the property.

Now, Judge Douglass, as he was known, and Col. Anthony were undoubtedly the most hated men in Leavenworth, with the difference that the editor also had lots of warm friends. These who didn't like Ludward. Leavenworth, with the difference that the editor also had lots of warm friends. Those who didn't like Judge Douglass called him a "tax title shark," which sufficiently explains the regard in which he was held in the

shark, which sufficiently explains the regard in which he was held in the community.

Buying tax titles and then exacting heavy payments, or buying in the property for little or nothing, was his sole business. Naturally, a man in that business in time gets somewhat at outs with the sentiments of his neighbors and is called harsh names. It was the same with Col. Anthony.

The names Judge Douglass was called would have sounded like high praise compared to what Col. Anthony's enemies called him. The colonel himself was somewhat adept in that line, his mildest epithet for those he didn't like being "skunks" What he called his real enemies had better be imaxined.

When the colonel didn't like a man he hated him with his whole mind, his whole heart and his whole soul. He believed in personal journalism and when he turned loose the columns of the Leavenworth Times on an enemy the town fairly sizzled. He never used a pillow, the meat-ax being a weapon he liked better.

When John Atwood came to town and hung out a shingle as a lawyer and began practicing democratic polities until some law business, came along, it was inevitable that, holding political views quite abhorrent to Coi Anthony's dyed-in-the-wool and yard-wide republicanism, he should cone

along, it was inevitable that political views quite abhorrent to Coi Anthony's dyed-in-the-wool and yard-wide republicanism, he should come into conflict with the editor.

It wasn't long before Atwood became known pretty well through Kansas as a "silver-tongued" orator. He had a gift of language that could be flowers, satirical or denunciatory. Having come, as per schedule, into conflict with Col. Anthony, he had frequent occasion and opportunity in various political campaigns to "burn up" the colonel, the colonel having been doing the same for Mr. Atwood and doing it plentifully.

surance.
The colonel had somewhat the bet-The co, said has be did, to the ter of it speaking, as he did, to the whole town, while the hest Atwood could do was to get a crowd of maybe whole town, while the less According to could do was to zer a crowd of maybe several hundred at a political meeting to tell them what the town sidly several hundred at a position meeting to tell them what the town soilly needed was a large funeral starting from a certain number on the North Esplanade and winding up with the usual ceremonies and a pillow of flowers with "39" on it at Mt. Mance

As another famous Kansas lawyer As another famous Kansas lawyer has written, opportunity knocks once at every man's door, and sure enough she came around and pounded at the entrance to John Atwood's private office. Originally Col. Anthony had retained Lucien Baker to defend hiside of the Douglass suit. Baker and Atwood were law partners in the firm of Baker, Hook & Atwood, of which Judge William C. Hook, now of the United States Circuit court, was a member. The three were the "big" lawers of Leavenworth.

member. The three were the "big" lawyers of Leavenworth.

It happened that Baker was elected United States Senator before the Douglass-Atwood suit could come to trial. With Baker in Washington, Hook refusing for personal reasons to handle the case, and Douglass crowding him up in a corner, Col Anthony was faced by a combination of execumstances too long to detail here that prevented him from obtaining the services of any other lawyer except Atwood he thought could win the case.

inally the case was called. Judge him the same fond glance that the cat

him the same fond glance that the cat bestows upon the canary cornered in its cage, and then spoke thus:
"May it please the court: I con-gratulate myself upon the judicial frame of mind in which I am enabled to approach a consideration of this case. For my perfected appreciation of the many virtues that Judge Doug-lass possesses and Col. Anthony's esses and Col. Anthony failure to appreciate any of mine, leaves me in a state delightfully im-

partial. "Ordinarily, a lawyer's zest for his client's cause outruns his judgment, but when that client has knocked out but when that client has knocked out the bung from the hogshead of his wrath and deluged him with its con-tents until he wades up to his middle in troubled waters, a situation is pre-sented that tends to neutralize the lawyer's zest that is without bias; and I am able to undertake a discussion

"The one thing that is wrong about Company.

discouraging him revolts the judicial conscience.
"If it is said that Anthony stole horses in Missouri, I reply that Douglass has stolen homesteads in Kansas. If it is said that Anthony has been a detriment to the community, I reply that Douglass has never paid a debt he owed in the community. If it is said that Anthony has been sued often, I reply that Douglass has sued others twice as often.

wice as often.
"I will admit, your honor, that it is a choice of evils; one of these has a choice of evils; one of these has a hooked nose and the other has a peg leg, but the hooked nose pays his taxes and the peg leg doesn't and that is where my side has the best of it.

"If you feel inclined to decide this case in favor of my opponent because

of the delightful sentiments that cluster around his name, and through your mind should float the beautiful strain of Douglass, Douglass, tender and true." I ask you to remember that my client claims a saint among his incestors. I will admit that the claim has never been allowed; but we make

ancestors. I will admit that the claim has never been allowed; but we make it all the same.

"Your honor may think they are two old devils together, but I submit we are not responsible for the age of John Douglass' iniquities. To be sure, the great age of my client is an evidence that they whom the gods love die young, but that does not alter the fact that he, and he alone of these men, has paid the taxes.

"So, I ask your honor to overlook the fact that my client has usually been wrong and remember that now for once in his life he is right. Let his wickedness hide itself in a measure behind the wickedness of Douglass. I can see that your honor is itching to hit them both, and ordinarily you could not hit them a lick amiss, but I pray your honor to remember that you can't beat them both, much as they deserve it, and since you must give the case to one of them, I ask your honor to shut your eyes and give it to Anthony."

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Not until Mr. Atwood had begin to speak was there the shightest intimation from him what he was to say. Before he was half way through every-official and clerk in the courthouse had hurried to the courtnoum and the audience declared that the expression of bewilderment on the face of Col. Anthony was exceeded in intensity only by the scraphic smile of self-satisfaction upon the face of Mr. Atwood. Atwood.

Before the lawyer was half through Before the lawyer was an infrouga Judge Meyer scarcely could control himself, and the audience was laugh-ing outright. And it is even recalled that Col. Anthony smiled when the court gave him the decision.

PASTORAL LETTER

To My People: Dear Friends-I am having printed for our use and at my own expense, booklets containing the liturgical matter that we have been using in our service. By the use of this booklet we shall be spared the inconvenience of using together both the new hymnal and the old, classy book be flowers, saturical or denuticately having come, as per schedule, into conflict with Col. Anthony, he had conflict with Col. Anthony, he had frequent occasion and opportunity in frequent occasion and o

nto communion with too. Such a service has four stages to which the four chief elements in the service correspond. These stages are not dictated by the arbitrary notions of any man or body of men, but by the facts of religious experience uself as dis-covered in the psychology of that experience

The first stage is preparatory. It his the worshipper seeks to wipe life state clean. He does this by confessing his sins. The second stage is the soul's conscious effort to Atwood he thought could win the soul's conscious effort to attime itself case.

There was only one thing to do; swallow his pride and employ A wood lit was a bitter pill, and being so he probably wouldn't have swallowed it had he known that the dose was to be giving. The sacrifice of the first-ground of t giving. The sacrifice of the first-fronts or offering, elevated to an act fruits or oldering, revaces of worship is another expression. The living sacrifice of the worshipper life, soul and body, is the ultimate and atoning sacrifice. The fourth stage is Finally the case was called. Jidge of worship is another the same fond glance that the cate through the court. Judge Douglass made his argument first, and then came Atwood's ment first, and then came Atwood's follow-awaited chance and sweet revenge. Rising slowly to his feet, he turned to his client and bestowed on the same fond glance that the cat a service may be given as preparation. service may be given as preparation, prayer, praise, preaching

Frank B. Crandall.

LITTLETON News Items.

The United Workers will meet nex week Wednesday afternoon with Mrs. L. C. Alvord at the parsonage, and Kimball will conduct the Subject: Study of Korea's service. Subjeunited church.

The annual business meeting of the King's Daughters will be held on next Tuesday afternoon at Mrs. J. W. Ire-land's. The birthdays for the month of February will be Elizabeth Thacher. will be in charge of Mis-

ented that tends to neutralize the awyer's zest that is without bias; and am able to undertake a discussion am able to undertake a discussion of this without prejudice, passion or toolight the center. Mr. Parker has a position with the Spring Farm Poultry

Ariss satural variety of the face and hands in the fire two weeks ago, is recovering very satisfactorily from the results. Mrs. Lucy A. Pickard, who was sick

with the grippe, is up and about the house again. Rev. William C. Brown will start next Tuesday for Montana, where he will be engaged in his regular busi-ness. His absence will cover a period

of a month or six weeks. of a month or six weeks.

Rev. J. C. Alyord will exchange pulpits with Rev. F. G. Alger Sunday pits with Rev. F. G. Alger Sunday morning. Mr. Ager has recently resigned from his pastorate over the Pawtucket church of Lowell, where he was settled for about eight years. He is very pleasantly remembered by many Littleton people who listened with much profit to his preaching here shortly before he went to Lowell.

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Much interest was shown in the service of last Sunday evening at the Congregational church. The subject. "Some facts about the old and the new testaments," will be continued

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On Sunday evening. February 6.
Rev. J. S. Strong, of the Ayer Congregational church will preach in the Congregational church of Littleton, and Rev J. C. Alvord will address a union temperance meeting in the hall at Ayer on the effects of light wines and beers as observed by the speaker in European nations.

Rechargals for the Back-log drama which is to be presented February 10 and 11, are progressing well.

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Mrs. Perley Smith had an ill tirr.
this week.
Mrs. Cowite S. G. G.

Mis. J. M. Har well.

The sermon at the Unitarian church Sanday in siming will be the second one in the series of war topics, sets ting forth what it is that men hight for the thelevalue, at 5.20, at the guid meeting pictures will be snown of Colorado sectory, chiefly photographs of attractive yews there that

will be found to be handly compact and modern. They arransement of the hings of wire topes, set the found in the booklet and all matter found in the booklet and all matter found in the mind of your handler is that mental params will be stown of Colorado or of the pary reason of a very great deal of questioning with the modern of the consenting with the modern of the consent togeth of the world. These reasons of the various Christian bode of the world of the consent togeth of the consent of the part of the consent togeth of the consent t ring, the selection of the music, the conductor, the financial system to be used and all other matters.

The Baptist mid-week service The Baptist mid-week service was held this week at the home of Mr and Mrs. William H. Brown at the Common. It will meet on next week. Thursday evening with Mr. and Mrs. Sanford Hubbard, Foster street.

The usual services will be held on Sunday evening in the Baptist vestry the young people's meeting at 6.36 followed at 7.15 by a "big sing" lee by piano and cornet, and with other special features.

The executive committee of the Baptist C. E. society met with Miss Olive Flagg on Monday evening and made preliminary plans for the observance of C. E. week, February 6-12, which are the made for which are servance of C. E. week, February 6-13. The days of that week, for which appropriate observance will be prepared, are as follows: Sunday, C. E. day; Monday, enlistment day; Tuesday, local union day; Wednesday, entertainment day; Thursday, church loyalty day; Friday, extension day; Saurday, junior day; Sunday, February 13, evangelistic day; Sunday, February 20, decision day.

Mrs. Maud K. Caulkins and others Mrs. Maud K. Caulkins and others attended the mid-winter rally of the Woman's American Baptist Home Mission society in Tremont Temple, Boston, Thursday morning and after-

The Grange will celebrate its twenty-fifth anniversary next week Wed-nesday evening when the program will be in charge of the past masters Mr. and Mrs. Charle and their wives, Mr. F. Watts, chairmen.

Miss Louise Whitney of Lexington and Miss Rachel G. Whitcomb of Boston were guests of Mr. and Mrs. Patch and Miss Ewings several days recently.

been among the grippe victims. J. E. Smith, although sick enough to be in bed, has persistently gone about his work every day according to last reports. George Newcomb has a very severe case of grippe and G. F. Hib-

A supply of new library books is now in the hands of the local review-ers, subject to approval or rejection. Stacy C. Bates has given up his work in connection with music rooms in Springfield and has returned to his farm, preparatory to work in his or chards.

new testaments," will be continued tomorrow evening in connection with the Sunday school lessons of the new quarter. Chart and blackboard will be used in this talk.

The Philathea class will combine the annual business meeting with a social at the home of Mrs. N. B. Connat Mrs. N. B. Connat Mrs. N. B. Connat Monthly, entitled "The coward."

The Newtown committee presents a fine program at the Back Log club on Tuesday evening. Mrs. Young and Eliot Young furnished music on piano and clarinet, and Margaret Brown and Mrs. Brown played violin and and Mrs. Brown played violin and Mrs. Brown and Mrs. Brown played violin and piano, all of which was excellent. The farce. "Per telephone." was most amusing, and the cast, constituting N. H. Whitcomb, Ivo Russell, Misses Florence Whitcomb, Lucy Houghton

and Mrs. G. H. Cash, covered them selves with glory. During the social hour apples and cornballs were serv-ed. The evening was voted one of the best in the club calendar. There was best in the club calendar. There was a full house and ten dollars was add-ed to the treasury. J. E. Smith has finally given up

and taken his bed and called a doc Mrs. Shedd, of the Harwood farm

is entertaining her mother.

The friends of Allan McDonald were greatly shocked to learn on Friday of last week of his sudden death the night before. He was in Boston taking charge of the Barnes' fruit interests at the fruit exhibit and was found dead in his room Friday morn-ing with the gas turned on part way. His son came to Littleton shortly and conveyed the sad intelligence to his

mother.
Funeral services were held in the Catholic church Monday morning and burial was in St. Mary's cemetery at Ayer. Besides relatives and friends there was a large delegation present from the Barnes Fruit Company by whom the deceased was held in high-

and Miss Ewings several days recently.

The angual town meeting will be held Monday, February 7. Not much excitment over the event has yet been created. The dinner will be served by the ladies of the Catholic society.

Råiph Hill came home from Southbridge for Saturday and Sunday.

Mr. McDonald had lived in town slisted of a piano solo, Mrs. Harry Verlegs than a year, but in that time had der; farce, "Mrs. Pitts' water loo," and a vocal solo, Edward S Cave Following this there was an old-fashioned this section as the leading representative of the company in this state. He was seventy-eight years of age, but looked and acted like a man of many bridge for Saturday and Sunday.

selections from the cantata of Ruth beautifully rendered by Mrs. Hager, Mrs. Houghton and Mrs. Hartwell, with the grippe. Norman Bonnell is housed with the same disease. Mrs. Kelley of Newtown is recovering from the grippe. Walter Kimball's family and F. S. Kimball's children have been among the grippe victims. J. E. Smith, although sick enough

in very happy manner Miss Whit-comb outlined the purpose and opera-tion of the settlement, which serves as a doctor and teacher in the impover-ished section of the city. The work done in establishing public baths, helping the playground movement, cooperating with juvenile courts, and so cial and civic movements in general the training in boys' efederations, al sorts of clubs for girls, including dramatic societies, neighborhood associations, stamp-saving systems, Christ mas and other celebrations and man mas and other celebrations and many other things for the uplift of the community in which the South End House serves its very useful purpose, gave evidence of the splendid organized, scientific philanthropy it exercises among the foreign element of the neighborhood.

A social hour, with delicious tea served by Mrs. Florence Wilcox, as-sisted by Mrs. Gertrude Houghton and Miss Marion Flagg, pourers, and others, completed the entertainment of the afternoon.

LUNENBURG

Congressional and Rev J. C. Alvord will acoust an and Rev J. C. Alvord will acoust an all Rev J. C. Alvord will acoust an all reversely by the six of the C. E. Society of the Characters of the C. E. Society in the interest of the C. The kalendar kirmess held in the The kalendar kirmess held in the town hall on last week Thursday afternoon and evening, closing on Friday evening was pronounced a great success. It was given in aid of the Lunenburg Military band and was most liberally patronized. Booths representing the twelve months of the year were artistically arranged on either side of the hall, prettily decorated and displaying goods for sale appropriate to the months each repre-

Owing to the crowded condition of the syenth and eighth grades in the Center school it has been deemed heressary to procure an assistant teach-H H Knight superintendent of

An evening of coasting was enjoyed by a party of young people by invitation of Miss Evelyn Reed on Wedesday evening. On last week Tuesday eventeen grammar scholars enjoyee

sleighride, Mr. Brown taking then a sleighride, Mr. Brown taking them in a big sled. The, started at 4.36 from the schoolhouse and went to Pepperell and around to Mr. Brown's where they had luncteon and played cames until ten o'clock.

Myron Walsh, who cut his foot quite oadly, is able to be about on crutches M. J. Powers has returned from en-days' visit in Connecticut.

A son was born to Mr. and Mrs. Charles P. Brown, of Winthrop, Me last week Friday. Miss Loraine Bell is at home, hav ing nearly recovered from a lengthy lliness. She suffered from a rather severe case of diphtheria.

Miss Grace Hardy, of Keene, spent the week-end with her parents. Mrs. Henry Irwin attended the fu-neral of her sister's child, who was only five years of age, in Milford, Mass., on Tuesday.

At the meeting of the Grange next Tuesday evening there will t surprise feature which will surely be enjoyed by those present. On next Wednesday evening the Y. P. S. C. E. will hold its monthly so-

cial after the prayer meeting. The Ladies' Reading and Charitable ociety held a social in the vestry and adles' pariors on Tuesday evening. A ladies bountiful supper was served in charge of Mrs. Simonds. The program con-

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And some person have, why the same about not be granted. And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the lattering foundor, a newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day, at least before said Count, and by madding post-paid or delivering a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate sevendays at least, before said Court.

Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty thousand nine hundred and sixteen w. E. ROGERS, Register

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU COMMONW FARITH OF MASSACIUSTITS, Maddlessex, ss. Probate Court, To the heirs-at-law, next of kin and all other persons interested in the estate of MARY ROOTS, late of Ayer in said County, deceased.

MARY ROOTS, late of Ayer 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 THERESA A. O'BRIEN who prays that letters testamentary may be issued to her the executix therein named as THERESA A. ROOT without giving a surety on her official bond.

You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge in said County of Middlesex, on the cighth day of February A. D. 1916, at nine o'clock in the totenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed.

cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And said petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this cliation 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 postpaid, or delivering a copy of this cliation 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 twentieth day of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

3120 W. E. ROGERS, Register.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, tha NOTICE IS REREBY GIVEN, that the subscriber has been duly appointed executrix of the will of SARAH ELIZABETH BARK late of Groton in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon herself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs. All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to LUCY ANN DODGE, Executrix.

LUCY ANN DODGE, Executrix. Groton Inn., Groton Mass., January 20, 1916. 3t20

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the subscriber has been duly appointed executor of the will of Lomira A. Durgin, late of Ayer, in the County of Middlesex, deceased, testate, and has taken upon himself that trust by giving bond, as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the estate of said deceased are hereby required to exhibit the same; and all persons indebted to said estate are called upon to make payment to ROYAL. REED. Executor.

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The oyster supper and entertainment in the vestries of the Congregational church Wednesday evening, under the auspices of the L. B. S., was a decided success and thoroughly enjoyed by all. An excellent supper was served at eight o'clock in charge of the men. The literary and musical evening's entertainment was in charge of Albert G. Seaver and was of a high order, the artists deserving much praise and credit. The program was as follows: Selection, Young Men's orchestra; trio, "The oars are plashing lightly," Misses Griggs, Donnell and Wilder; reading, G. Paul Smith; solo, "Southern hush song," Miss Ina Wilder; piano duet, Misses Griggs and Hayward; duet, Shubert's serenade, Misses Griggs and Donnell; reading, J. Paul Smith; "Come let's be gay," Ladics" and Men's chorus; selection, orchestra. Proceeds of the supper and entertainment to be used for motor power for church organ. Townsend friends are always glad to creet and have the privilege of hearing the talented well-known entercreet and have the privilege of hear ing the talented well-known enter ing the talenced well-known enter-tainer, G. Paul Smith of New York, who comes to our village annually as guest of Albert G. Seaver.

A delegation of members from the E. A. Spaulding Rebekah lodge attended the installation of the officers-clect Tuesday evening at the Ashbylodge and witnessed the excellent work done by the installing suite from Pearl Hill Rebekah lodge of

Mr. and Mrs. Charles B. Hart of Brookline have been mid-week guests of Mrs. Hart's sister, Mrs. Abbie

Edwin L. Haynes, superintendent of schools, in: Methuen, formerly of this town, has been enjoying a few days' change and outing this week.

Miss Maude Hyde, the primary grade school teacher, is ill with the grippe and Miss Lottle Bohanon is substituting in her enforced absence.

Mr. and Mrs. George Kendall have been entertaining this week Mr. Kendall's sister, Mrs. Belle Sawyer, of Sterling, Mrs. Mary Norris and Mrs. Anna

Bliss pleasantly entertained the mem-liers of the Monday club at the home of Mrs. Norris Monday afternoon. After the business meeting a paper of much interest and worth was given by Mrs. Carrie Struthers entitled, "Foot prints." A social hour followed with the serving of dainty refreshments by the hostesses. The next club meeting program is in charge of Mrs. Carrie H. Doane, "The ninth anniversary of the Monday club."

ze Installation.

Mrs. Margaret A. Sarre, lady assist-ant steward of the Middlesex North Pomona Grange and the Massachu-Pomona Grange and the Massachusetts State Grange, assisted by Mrs. Hattie Misner of the Townsend Grange, installed the following of-meers-elect of Townsend Grange on Monday evening in Odd Fellows hall: Monday evening in Odd Fellows' hall: Frank A. Woods. m.; Hudson A. Bray, o.; Miss May Parker, Iee.; Mrs. Edna Wilder Bray, stew.; George Wilson, asst. stew.; Mrs. Ella C. Wilson, I. a. s.; Mrs. Agnes M. Woods, enap.; Mrs. Flora I. Atwood, sec.; George L. Whitcomb, treas.; Mrs. Mys. My Ward, Pomona; Mrs. Winnifred Farrar, Ceres; Mrs. Flora Parker, Flora; Charles Dix, E. k.; Galen Proctor, Dr. Albert J. Atwood, Mrs. Emma F. Seaver, ex. com.; Albert G. Seaver, planist.

pianist.

The installation exercises, which were of the very best, were followed by a bountiful supper served in the banquet hall in charge of Mr. and Mrs. Frank B. Higgins and adds, Visitors were present from Brookline, N. H., Pepperell, Lunenburg and Sterling.

Pleasing remarks were made by Mrs. Sarre and other visiting Grang-ers and home lodge members. Mr. Flarity spoke in the highest terms of Mrs. Sarre's ability as an installing officer and her standing and work in the State Grange. During the social hour G. Paul Smith, of New York, the well-known impersonator, delicht fully entertained the audicine with readings and impersonations.

The body of Benjamin D Walkinson, of Lancaster, aged 90 years and 2 months, who passed away at his nome in that town on Friday after-ation of last week from the weakness incident to extreme old age. Was brought here for burial in the family lot on Tuesday afternoon. He is sur-vived by a widow, two sohs. H. J. Wilkinson of Worcester and Charles Wilkinson of Worcester and Charles home in that town on Friday after-Mr. Wilkinson resided in this vicinity for a number of years and will be remembered by many of the older residents of the town.

William A. Sherwin returned on Sunday from the Carney hospital in Boston, where he has been undergo-ing treatment for several weeks. Mrs. Frank Sanders, of Ayer, was a guest at the home of Mrs. Elbridge

Sanders on Monday. The Ladies' Study club held their

gular fortnightly meeting at tome of the president, Mrs. E. nome of the president and the Lees, on Monday evening with thirteen members and one guest in attendance. The president presided and after the customary business routine very interesting program was given a very interesting program was given During the evening a package of photos from Texas and the Mexican horder were exhibited by Mrs. Her-man L. Stickney, whose son, Justin Rawson, is down there, a memoer of the Sixth Massachusetts cavalry. The meeting closed with the singing of "America." The next meeting will be music night at the home of Miss Emma Adams on February 7, at eight

Ernest G. Wilson, who drives the butcher's cart for Roberts Bros. of Ashby, is confined to his home here an attack of the grippe.

The three boys brought by the stork to the village last week have been named as follows: Alvin Bennett, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Bennett; Harvey Nelson Jodery, son of Mr. and Mrs. Amos Jodery, and George Milton Frye, Jr., son of Mr. and Mrs. G. M. Frye.

Mr. and Mrs. Robert Nicholson, of Clinton, have been recent guests at the home of Mrs. Mary Streeter.

Mrs. Mary Brown is on the sick list this week at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Joseph Thompson. Mrs. Lucy Thompson is quite ill at her home on upper Main street.

An eight-pound son arrived at the home of Mr. and Mrs. G. Milton Frye Sunday afternoon. Miss Evelyn New-ton, of the Center, is caring for them

Mrs. William W. Webster has re turned from the Center, where she has been caring for a patient.

Mrs. R. S. Ely spent the week-end with relatives in Boston and vicinity. G. Fred Tenney has been enjoying few days' visit with friends in

Mrs. Clarence L. Webster is spend.

John Campbell has been on the sick list with a slight attack of the grippe, Mrs. George Tenney has been entertaining an aunt from Fitchburg

Henry B. Hathaway, who is suffer-ing from a broken rib as a result of a fall last week, is able to walk about, but will not be able to resume work for several weeks.

Rev. Joseph MacKean will preach Sunday morning on the topic, "A holy or an unholy alliance" and in the evening his subject will be "What is your gift." The Y. P. S. C. E. meeting will be in charge of the Missionary

burg, a former pastor here, will give a concert at the Baptist crurch on Tuesday evening, February 1, the program to be composed of special music by a chorus, assisted by Mr. Stockwell, bell ringer, and Mr. Ringrose will render several recitations. The object being to assist in raising the large sum undertaken by Mr. Ringrose to pay off the mortgage on the Highland Baptist church. It is hoped all will attend. music by a chorus, assisted by Mr.
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Mrs. Fred A. Patch of Josselynville is spending a few days with her son and wife in Boston.

Miss Annie Murphy, who is with Mrs. The subject of the Y. P. S. C. is prayer meeting.

Miss Annie Murphy, who has been with Mrs. Coffey for some time, is at present assisting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Robert Copeland.

Mrs. Mary Brown is on the sick list suffering from an attack of grippe at the home of her daughter, Mrs. Josth Thomason. Miss Alice Welch, assistant at the

postoffice, is confined to her home with an attack of the grippe. Miss Evelyn Newton, who has been raring for Mrs. G. M. Frye, has re-urned to her home at the Center and Mrs. King from the Center has taken

her place, George Billings, who has been with his sister, Mrs. M. L. Willrad, has re-turned to Leominster for the present.

Herbert A. Thayer, tenor soloist, will sing at the Unitarian church on Sunday.

Sunday.

The annual meeting of the King's Daughters will be held with Mrs. Jennie Dickson on Thursday, February 3. It will be an all day meeting and a full attendance is desired. Mrte boxes

opened.

A meeting will be held on Monday evening at eight o'clock in Hapgood Memorial for the purpose of organizing a bird club. The committee chosen at the meeting in November will

Quite a number of visitors were in town for the annual complimentary half and week-end visit. Mr and Mrs. Philip O. Dickson entertained Mr. and Mrs. Benjamin and Mr and Mrs. Charles A. E. Clarke, of Tafts col-Mrs. Benjamin and Mr and Mrs. Charles A. E. Ciarke, of Tufts college, W. J. Kerley entertained Mr. and Mis. Thomas J. Flaherty of Worcester; Miss Olive Locke was a guest with Mr. and Mrs. C. C. Doo: Miss Barnes, of Plymouth, was with Mr. and Mrs. W. F. Dickson; Miss Blanche Dadwins, J. Somerville, seen the week. W. F. Dickson; Miss Banche Dad-mun, of Somerville, spent the weck-end with Mrs. George C. Maynard.

The ladies of the Unitarian society will hold a supper and social at the will hold a supper and social at the town hall on Friday evening, February 4. Mrs. W. P. Farwell has charge of the supper and Mrs. Herbert Cleaves one the entertainment in charge.

The next meeting of the Grange will he held on Tuesday evening, February 1. The subject is "School gardens," and will be given by Miss Susan P. Hill, supervisor of school gardens in Lancaster. This lecture will be illustrated with lantern slides and will e one in which our townspeople wil be especially interested. This meeting is to be open to the public. Lecture at eight o'clock. A closed business meeting of the Grange will be held as

The citizens' caucus was held at the lower town hall on last Saturday evening. There were some changes indicated along the first line of trenches which will make the engagements at the annual town meeting of interest. B. J. Priest, who has served the town faithfully for several years as selectman, retires at his own request. S. M. Parnsworth and Perley Beard are candidates for this office for three years terms. C. D. Keyes, retiring voluntarily as overseer of the poor, Chester Willard has the nomination. Mr. Willard has the nomination for school committee for three years. The police force has three aspirants, William Hanna, George Hardy and Daniel W. Sheehan, Jr. Indications are that the contest for road surveyor will be close with two candidates in the race, Frank O. Ryan and Benjamin J. Priest. The annual town meeting is to be held on Monday, February 7.

Mrs. A. D. MacLennan entertained her father and mother, Mr. and Mrs. A. T. Gray, from Providence, R. L., a few days last week.

First Judge of said Court, Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of January in the year one thousand nine hundred and sixteen.

Miss Maud Sears, of Providence, in visiting this week with her si Bernice Sears, at the Kerley.

A. D. MacLennan, business manager it Tahanto, is creeting a large new into garage on the colony property. E. Morse has the work of reastrucion in charge.

Mrs. N. F. Parker fell on, last week and broke her at which will necessitate her wa-plaster cast for six weeks. Members of the junior class of Bromfield school are arriver, for a

Monday ocial dance to be given February 21.

The members of the church tendered a recent church tendered a race of pastor and wife, Mr. and C. Merrill, at the town of day evening. Members of with Rev. and Mrs. H. H. Prey, and Mrs. L. H. Mer-vited guests. Music w will be in charge of the Missionary committee.

The L. B. B. S. will hold their regular monthly meeting in form of an all-day session next Wednesday at the home of Mrs. Herman L. Stickney.

Rev. Samuel D. Itingrose of Fitchburg, a former pastor here, will give a concert at the Baptist crurch on

prayer meeting at seven o'clock will be "Great foreign missionaries." The meeting will be in charge of the missionary committee.

To the Editor:

The time for town election will soon be here and a new member of the school committee is to be chosen, ac-cording to law. Many stories are told about town crediting-or discrediting about town crediting—or discrediting
—the retiring member with acts displeasing to some citizens, and it is
thought best to publish the facts regarding some matters not within the
knowledge of the townspeople in gen-

The appalling sum paid each year for transportation of pupils in this town had long engaged the attention of thoughtful tappayers and there was a widespread, but not universal, call News Items.

The Nashaway Camp-fire held a ceremonial meeting at the home of their guardian on January 21. Mrs. A. H. Bigelow, Mrs. S. Farasworth and Mrs. H. B. Roval were guests at the meeting and enjoyed a program which proved that the girls are working earnestly for the rank of firemaker. Beryl Bigelow and Mary Benedict read interesting papers on subjects connected with their honor work, and two new members, Hazel Hardy and Ethel Ripley, were admitted into the Camp-fire. The guardian showed a "Wakan" honor which she received from the National Board, for some verses illustrating the Camp-fire law. for a change in the method in letting secretary on the committee's book Each member of the committee has been free to express an opinion, and the majority rules. Sometimes the the majority rules. Sometimes the two women members of the commit two women memoers of the commit-tee agreed and voted together, some-times they have disagreed and so voted; in no case has there been action by one member alone.

At the September meeting of 1914

it was voted to pay school bills from a monthly payroll, the town treasurer being instructed to pay no bills ex-cept from the payroll. The first pay-roll was dated September 39, and each succeeding sheet has borne date of the succeeding sheet has horne date of the en at the meeting in November will present a constitution and by-laws for adoption, after which officers will be elected. It is urged that all who are interested be sure to attend this important meeting and become charter members of the clab.

New Advertisements. CARD OF THANKS

To friends who by words of sympathy, acts of kindness and offerings of flowers, sought to help us in our recent sorrow we extend our slineare thanks and appreciation.

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Townsend, January 26, 1916



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If the young housekeeper will try nish the cost of a little outing or the table for a luncheon party, providing little luxurles which otherwise might have seemed extravagant.

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chickens is one of the things that even the green cook and the young housekeeper are supposed Here are directions:

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If the chicken has to be plucked as well the easiest way is to dip it several times in boiling water. This loosens the feathers so they can be scraped off quickly, but it also toughens the meat, and by far the better way is to dry pick the chicken by hand, scraping the feathers off with a knife where they are easy to loosen and pulling them out by hand where they stick and are liable to tear the

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A certain parcel of land sluated in said Ayer on the easterly side of the road leading from Groton to Harvard and near Pine Meadows, so-called, ounded as follows:

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Being the same premises conveyed o the grantor by J. R. Philias Daudelin et als by deed dated February 22, 1911 and recorded with Middlesex South District Deeds; book 3586, page 57. Said premises are conveyed sub-ject to a right of way over an old cart path along the northerly side thereof to land of Edward A. ardson as reserved in the deed of said Richardson to said said Daudelin et als dated November 25, 1910 and reorded with said deeds in book 3586, pare 55.

The premises will be sold subject to ny unpaid taxes.

WILLIAM E. WHEELER, Assignee and holder of said mortgag Ayer, Jan. 10, 1916.

MORTGAGEE'S SALE OF ${f REAL}$ ${f ESTATE}$ IN AYER, MASSACHUSETTS

members of the clab.

The annual concert and ball given by the Harvard Complimentary clab of the hards of the school committed to the lown auditor on the day of its date and was then out of the hards of the school committed and was a very pleasant see all afair caster. Clinton, Littleton and other towns the street may pay any boll, corrected with everginent rees and colored electric lights, which add I have native haddes of the law, the hards of the school committed has watten for his morey any longer has the wasten for his morey any longer has the verginent rees and colored electric lights, which add I have native haddes of the support which was fault formalities of the law. The blook of inshed the support which was fault formalities of the school committee is sisted of cold turkey, choices each and I have no doubt town away throughout one of Harvard's old-time social affairs with all the wildings.

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The premises will be sold subject to all unpaid taxes. A deposit of One Hundred Dollars (\$100.00) will be required at the time of sale. Other terms made known at time and place

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Saturday, January 29, 1916.

PEPPERELL

News Items.

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Elwood L. Sanders, a registered druggist, has taken a position in the Quimby pharmacy, for many years known as the Italiroad Square drug store. Mr. Sanders comes to his new position with an experience of eight years in some of the leading drug stores in Vermont and Massachusetts, as well as the theoretical training he received at the Massachusetts College of Pharmacy. of Pharmacy.

Miss Henrietta Blood, of Waban, Miss Henrietta Blood, of Waban, was in town over Sunday. Her mother, Mrs. A. N. Blood, is making arrangements to send her household goods to Waban this week and will follow soon. The plans, which were made for moving there with her daughter earlier in the winter, were necessarily postponed, as the dwelling was not made ready for their occupancy until lately.

The girls of the high school basket-

pancy until lately.

The girls of the high school basketball team go to Milford, N. H., to play the girls' team of that high school on Saturday evening, January

It is understood that the X. I. I. lub are to commence rehearsals soon nder the direction of Mrs. D. R. under the direction of Mis." Which is to be presented by the club at the time of the entertainment by the February committee of the L. S. C.

Mrs. R. H. Lawson spent Friday of 1st week with relatives in Haverhill. Miss Doris Hartwell, from Barre, and her cousin, Earl Parker, from Boston, spent Sunday at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Fred Hartwell, Brook-

line street. Elmer E. Shattuck, of Concord Junction, spent last Saturday at the Shattuck farm on West street.

Shattuck farm on West street.

The leap year party of the X. I. I. club, held at Central hall on Friday evening of last week, was enjoyed by a very good sized crowd of young people, with a sprinkling of matrons as chaperons. The invitations extended by the young ladies were evidently well accepted, and during the evening the young gentlemen enjoyed the novel experience of being invited to dance. Good music was furnished by Leslie Parker at the piano, and dance. Good music was furnished by Leslie Parker at the piano, and Thomas Sullivan with his violin. Mrs. D. R. Child served delicious fruit punch. The club report very satisfactors. factory returns for the evening.

Ernest O. Nash, of Chelsea, was intown over Sunday to see his father.
O. M. Nash, who is confined to his home with rheumatism. Mr. Nash O. M. Nash, who is common Mr. Nash home with rheumatism. Mr. Nash has disposed of his fine flock of nearhens and intends to make some sort of disposal of his team for the winter.

Mr. and Mrs. Joseph Stiniford, of Mr. and arts. suspin the Mr. and Mr. and Mr. H., were week-and guests at the home of his son. Charles Stiniford, and family.

Stiniford, and family.

A dinner party was given Thursday evening by Mrs. Dudley R. Child for the members of the basketball team of the high school, of which she has been the coach. The young ladies of the team, Misses Boynton, Palmer, Thompson, Haggerty and Dennen, were supplemented by their manager. Althea Sartelle, and substitutes Eleator and May Hildreth, Helen Sulli-Althea Sartelle, and substitutes Elea-nor and May Hildreth, Helen Sulh-van and Beth McNayr. Principal D L. Whitmarsh and wife were also in-vited to join the gathering, making fifteen in all. A pleasant evening of games followed.

Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Byrns and Mr. and Mrs. Thomas by re-133 little son, of Derry, N. H., came Sat-urday to spend a part of this week with Mr. and Mrs. J. M. Graham. Mrs. Byrne's parents.

Mrs. Ernest Gilchrist is quite ill and under the care of a physician.

The remains of Mrs. Fannie Butter Worcester, arrived here on the one o'clock train on Thursday of last week, being met at the car by Unplood and taken to Dundertaker Blood and taken to Dun-stable. Mr. Butterfield is the son of Dexter Butterfield, of that town. Mrs. Butterfield died in Worcester on Jan-7, after only a three-day uary 17, after only a three-days inness of penumonia, aged forty-four years. She leaves a husband and three children. Austin R. Pauli, of this town, read the committal service at the tomb in Dunstabel, where the body was placed.

Mrs. Leander Gilbert, from Sun-ook, N. H., has been the guest of het son, A. H. Gilbert, and wife, the past

Miss Olga Lösgren, one of the Mair and Sunday at her home at Lowell. She was accompanied by Miss Agnes

Charles Marshall of Pleasant street confined to his home Sunday the first of the week by an attack of the grippe.

The high wind of Saturday night and early Sunday morning did not do much damage about town, but seemed to produce a change of opinion in the ind of A. A. Tarbell, concerning the of his burned building. O'Neal, Groton street. which was left standing, although secured. On Tuesday he had men under Edward Iten engaged in taking it wn and will make it level with the

Samuel E. Marshall was summoned home from Hartford, Conn., on Wednesday, by a message of the death of his father, William Marshall, on Tuesmorning.

Mrs. Alfred Boynton has been in Mrs. Altred Boynton has been in been taken up as a topic for the afpoor health lately. She has been the ternoon, but owing to the illness of alone much of the time, as her grand-niece, Miss Goodwin, has been ill at her home at Hollis, where she went the holldays. Mrs. Boynton's sister Mrs. Boynton's sister Mrs. Switch was postponed until the next meeting. This will be held at the home of Mrs. Leroy Nut-Mrs. Swasey, spent Monday with and she went to Mrs. Gilson's, cent to Mrs. Gilson's, another sister, for a few days.

the high school, goes to her home in Boston, Friday night, intending to remain over Monday and Tuesday of to take the Boston school examination.

The Ladies' Aid society are to hold a social meeting at the home of their new member, Mrs. J. J. Willoughby, on Wednesday afternoon, February 2. The January thaw of last week fin-ished the sleighing and seemed to put us into the middle of March for a few

lays. J. A. Frossard made a short bush ness trip the latter part of this week to Holyoke, Springfield and other manufacturing cities in Westrn Massachusetts.

Mrs. George G. Willett was in town the first of the week, from Lynn, vis-iting her sisters and mother, Mrs. De-ware, returning Wednesday. Miss Nellie Fitzpatrick came from Worcester for Sunday to visit her old

ome on her birthday. Miss Rena Davis, a teacher in the nigh school, entertained her brother Holion Davis, during the week-end. He is a student at the Worcester Polytechnic and returned to Worcester for Sunday as he is a member of the

hoir In the Boston Globe on Tuesday among the Lowell items the following appears: "Frank Goff of Concord susappears: "Frank good of concord sas-tained a scalp wound by falling on Middlesex street, yesterday. He was taken to St. John's hospital." No further intelligence on the item has been learned up to this time, but it is

thought that probably the person re-ferred to is Frank Goff, a former resi-dent here in town and his friends are seeking further information. The L. S. C. are planning for a sup-per and entertainment on Thursday evening, February 24.

Pansies in bud and bloom were picked from gardens last week after the warm wave. Arbutus blossoms were also found in sunny places in the

Mrs. Thomas Thorpe came from Hartford, Conn., Thursday, to attend the services for her step-father, the late William Marshall.

The ladles' club, the "Jolly Eight," are to meet with Mrs. Frank Bennett Park street, Monday evening, January

condition of Main street worse than it is sometimes in the spring. The frost has broken through he macadam in two places, near the grammar school building and at the foot of High street, causing much soft-ness and depth of mud in both places.

The attention of the public is called to the annual meeting of the District Nurse association to be held in Prescott hall on Monday evening, January 31, at. 7.45. Officers are to be elected and the reports of the year's, work presented A unique feature of the evening will be the exhibition of the work of the two circles of Camp-fire Girls, clad in their ceremonial robes, and of the Boy Scouts in their cos-tume. Everyone is invited to attend this meeting and help by their pres-

ence and advice. Miss Margaret Park has been visit ing in town, leaving here on Monday to take a special case in her capacity as trained nurse. She intends to give up the line of district nursing, and take special cases, making her home with her brother. George Parks, of Concord.

Mrs. Fannie Lawrence visited her niece, Mrs. George Hardy, of Hollis, last week.

Mrs. Frederick Bolles, and son, have been visiting Mrs. Frank Bolies this week, coming from Mil-ford, N. H., where she had been visit-

Mr. and Mrs. Allan Greenough were in town last week, making a few calls previous to moving from West iroton to Gardner, where he has a Mrs. Rainsford Deware returned

home on Tuesday, leaving her two young sons happily located in a school in St. Johnsbury, Vt.

A few members of Prescott Grange drove to Townsend on Monday even-ing to witness the installation of the Grange officers there. They report a very pleasant evening and a fine oys-ter supper. Miss Margaret Sarre, of Lowell was installing officer.

ters by telephone on Saturday morn-of Nicholas Sliney. The firemen were soon on the scene with fire extinguish-ers and did not arrive any too soon, as the chimney was becoming very hot and the wood work was in danof uniting. The useful extin guisher, however, put an end to the

The last reports received from Mr. Frank Ryan in her trip to Florida were from Jacksonville, dated Satur-day last. She expected to reach Orday last. She expected lando, Fla., on Sunday.

Leo Russell came from Gardner t spend the week-end and Sunday with friends in town. Edith Colburn of West street visited Amherst, N. H., last week, return

ing Friday. Americus Lawrence is visiting his daughter, Mrs John Williamson, at Millinucket Me. He is much improvealth and has been taking sev ed in health and has been taking several shorter trips to Fitchburg and Nashua, and able to walk quite a dis tance, as far as his sons, on Oak hill, Compared with his condition of a year ago, the change is remarkable, the is taking a treatment prescribed by his brother. Abbott Lawrence, who is his brother.

a nurse at Minot. Relatives in town received the of the birth of a son to Mr. and Mrs Frank Powell, at West Somerville or January 21. Mrs. Powell will be membered as Miss Mabel O'N Miss Mabel O'Nea Mr. and Mrs. Jame

Mrs. G. Francis Martin and child, who have been visiting at the home of Mr. and Mrs. George Shaw, returned to her home at Worcester, Wednesday

The meeting of the East Village Social club was held with the president, Miss Jordan, at Blakesmere, or Wednesday afternoon. The work the Extension school was to h been taken up as a topic for the afternoon, but owing to the illness of Mrs. A. F. Parker, who had the papers as leader of the class, it was postponed until the next meeting. This will be ting on Wednesday afternoon, February 8. The ladies of the club of whom ary 9. The ladies of the club eight were present and one Miss Mildred Hastings, assistant at passed a very pleasant social after

The Men's club of the First Parish will meet in the vestry of the Unitarian church on Tuesday evening, L. s. s.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; Donald T. Rivers, r.s.n.g.; Charles Card, L. s. s.; C will meet in the vestry of the Unitarian church on Tuesday evening, February 1. Dr. Frankford E. Wil-February 1. Dr. Frankiola 2. llams, of the Massachusetts Society liams, of the Massachusetts Society for Mental Hygiene, will address the club on "The general aspect of mental hygiene," which will be illustrated by stereopticon.

Mrs. Joseph Lavalley, who has been suffering from the serious burns she received about five weeks ago, has been in a more serious condition this Meningitis set in Sunday and the physician gives no hopes of her ecovery.

Earl Perry came from Albany, N. Y., Wednesday evening, to visit his parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nelson Perry, who have lately moved here from Vernont.

The spring-like weather of Thursday and the special inducements offered by Frank Quimby at the Quimby pharmacy. Railroad square, brought out many ladies, who were each presented with a fine box of Samoset chocolates as a souvenir. According to his announcement cards Mr. and Mrs. Quimby are making many attractive innovations.

Mrs. David Weston, who has been making a visit with her sister, in Greenfield, since the holidays, returned home on Wednesday. Mr. and Mrs. D. Elmer Weston went to Greenfield on Tuesday to return with her.

The death of William Marshall, an aged resident of this town, occurred on Tuesday morning, January 25, at the home of his daughter, Mrs. Robert Sherwood. It was not unexpected as he had been in failing health through the winter and failing more since his fall of two when he fractured a bone of the

The cause of death was due to valvular heart disease and congestion of

the lungs.
Mr. Marshall was a native of Hamily of four children there by his first wife, who was Miss Mary Price of that place. Her death occurred about lifty years ago. His second wife was Mrs. Elizabeth McFarland of Alma county, who removed here with him and died one year and five days prior to his death.

Mr. Marshall and formitted in the man discipleship." Leader. At the Tuesday evening meeting lay delegates will be elected for the annual conference at Worcester, which convenes April 12.

Basketball Games.

The basketball game at the Onese in House on Thursday.

to this state from New Brunswick about twenty-eight years ago. He was employed at the Abbot Worsted mills at Forge Village for about four years and his since lived in this town, being employed at the Pepperell Card and Paper Co., where he was esteemed for his integrity and sterling worth. Mr. Marshall was a man of upright

christian character. He was a mem-ber of the Methodist church of this place and a regular attendant until his health failed after the death of his wife. He had served the church as a wife. He had served the church as a member of the board of trustees and of the board of stewards and was faithful to all his trusts. He is survived by two children of his first marriage, Mrs. Thomas Parker, who resides in Minnesota and John Marshall. of New York city The six children of his second marriage, living, are Mrs. Robert Sherwood, Charles and Samuel E. Marshall of this town, Mrs. Angus Cuthbertson of Fitchburg, Mrs.

Deacon Ansel Shattuck and his daughter, Miss Jessie, drove up from Groton last Sunday to visit his brother. Mark Shattuck, who is recovering from an illness.

Lowell was installing officer.

Mrs. S. Thompson Blood of Concord Janction came Wednesday for a how with the officers-elect of East Pepperell Circle, C. O. F. of A., were installed by Mrs. Evelyn Sawyer, s.c.c., of Bosylvist of a few days at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Blood.

An alarm was sent into headquaring last for a chimney first at the home for Nashaa, presiders by telephone on Saturday mornof Nicholas Sliney. The firemen were ed at the piano. Mrs. Sawyer renders of Nicholas Sliney. The firemen were ed at the piano. Mrs. Sawyer renders to the control of Nicholas Sliney. The firemen were ed at the piano. Mrs. Sawyer renders to the control of Nicholas Sliney. The firemen were ed at the piano. Mrs. Sawyer renders to the officers-elect of East Pepperell from floor, Brown, Spaulding 9, Smith 3, Kennelly, Solled, S. Kennelly, Boals from floor, Brown, Spaulding 9, Smith 3, Kennelly, Boals the places of interest and pleasant happenings, she carried her listeners on an imaginary trip to the Golden

East Pepperell circle was organized n this town on May 8, 1899, and is one of the most prosperous circles in the state. Although having been frequently visited by grand officers and other supreme officers, this occaton was the first visit from the sureme chief companion of the order. owing to the fact that she has been chosen from the ranks of member-ship in Massachusetts makes the oc-

easion more memorable. During the evening presentations of During the evening presentations of remembrances in behalf of the circle were made to Mrs. Sawyer by Mrs. Catherine Burke, d.g.c.c., and to Mrs. Cromwell by Mrs. Aldea Milan, p.c.c. The installed officers are as follows:

Miss Catherine G. Sullivan. c. c.; Mrs. Nellie Whalon, s. c. c.; Miss Mary E. Sullivan, rec. sec.; Miss Katherine M. fin. sec.; Mrs. Mary Hennes-Gainey, int. sec.; Mrs. Mary Fielines sey, treas; Miss Georgianna Rodler, r. g.; Miss Nellie Driscoll, l. g.; Mrs. Jen-nie Obea, i. g.; Mrs. Aldea E. Milan, o. g.; Miss Nellie A. Sullivan, Mrs. Maude Gardner and Mrs. F. L. Me-

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committee served a fine colaltion.

Church Notes.

"The life of Booker T. Washington" will be continued at the evening service at seven o'clock at the Congregachurch and plantation melodies will be sung. Arrangements have been made with

Rev. C. F. Hill Crathern of Worcester to show the painting of Christ, entitled, "The master," by Darius Cobb. in this town on Friday evening. March congregations The three churches will be asked to unite.

The subject of the morning sermon at the Methodist church next Sunday "Practical christianity will be the evening at seven o'clock the pas-tor will talk on the subject, "My re-sponsibility."

six o'clock service, the subject. "The meaning of discipleship." Leader. Miss Helen L. Lawrence.

sult was the defeat of the Red Sox. 35 to 15. Spaulding and Smith fea-tured for the Hollis team and Lippman for the Red Sox. The lineup and summary follows: HOLLIS A. A.

Spaulding, If. Brown, rf. Smith, c. rb.. Cunningham
1b.. Dalley
c.. Wesley rf., McDo... lf., Lippmar O'Neal, 1b O'Neal, 10. II., Lappman Score—Hollis A. A. 36, Red-Sox 15: goals from floor, Spaulding 9, Brown I. Smith 6, Denault 1, Cunningham 1, McDonald 1, Lippman 4; fouis, Spauld-ing 2, Lippman 2; referee, Kerin; timer, Kemp; scorer, Blood.

On Monday evening the Hollis team were defeated by the Milford Sgnal Corps team in the Opera House in a fast, closely contested game, the score being 22 to 21. There was an unusually large audience and much en-thusiasm. The Hollis team was in the lead, 15 to 8, at the end of the first

Brown, rf. Spaulding, lf. Smith. c. Blood, rb. O'Niel, lb.

Burke, d.g.c., of this town. Mrs. Florence Sullivan, of Nashua, presided a triangle of the financial given by the Mason Jubilee singers on Saturday evening at the Methodist country and the excellent increase of membership, and the same was received with much enthusiasm and expressions of appreciation. After the close of the business meeting a social time was enjoyed, during which Mrs. Sawyer gave an interesting account of her trip with the supreme executive her trip with the supreme executive her trip with the supreme execution and social time was enjoyed, during which Mrs. Sawyer gave an interesting account of her trip with the supreme execution and social time was enjoyed, during which Mrs. Sawyer gave an interesting account of her trip with the supreme execution and social power. Miss Carruthers, the soprano soloist, in the solo, "Maggie, the cows large employers to maintain private ability and execution, her highest ability and execution, her highest being marvelously sweet and the countries to which the Ludlow victims owed allegance the same right to hold President Wilson responsible to hold President Wilson responsible for the Ludlow massacre. Have they not the right to intervene and establish order in a country that allows its large employers to maintain private application. This is something no other supposedly civilization and the suprementation of the countries to which from the poems of the famous negro poet, Paul Laurence Dunbar. The ladies' trio rendered his "Po' lil' lam', responding to an encore with "Comin thro' the rye." "Kentucks h thro' the rye." "Kentucky home" by

pathos The baritone, Mr. Mason, rendered "Ole Black Joe" in costume, most ef fectively, an invisible quartet respond-ing in the chorus. There were also many humorous selections, illustrated by pantomime, when even the graves person in the audience found them selves laughing. Some of these the story, in music, about the "Chick en pie," the attempt to render "Swan nee river," and the imitation num and Bailey's original steam call ope, represented by Mr. Mason. Mr. Green, the tenor, acted as the reader or impersonator, and was thoroughly enjoyed in many of Mr. Dunbar's hu-

orous poems. In closing, the whole company ren-dered very effectively, "The flag that never touched the gorund." There never touched the gorund."
was a very good and certainly a appreciative audience, although of time the concert was not as well announced perhaps as the soclety would have liked.

Extension School Classes

Officers Installed.

The installation of the officers of Beacon lodge, I. O. O. F., occurred on Thursday evening of last week. The installing officers were Charles F., Marshall, d. d. g. m., of Fitchburg, and his suite. comprising Charles Bogart, d.d.g.w.; George A. Fletcher and Fred F. Robbins, d.d.g.s.; E. F., Rubbins, d.d.g.s.; E. F., Rubbins, d.d.g.s.; E. F., Rubbins, d.d.g.s.; E. F., Rubbins, d.d.g.s.; C. W. Mocckel, d.d.g.h.

The officers as installed were Jonas E. Andrews, n. g.; William A. Reed, v. letter meetings and subjects. The class will meet on the second and

The new officers were each presented with a fine carnation through the kidness of Mr. Mocckel, of Fitchburg, a florist, who is a member of the suite.

The retiring noble grand, William E. Chapman, was presented with the handsome past grand collar. The presentation was made by Lincoln A. Johnson, in behalf of the lodge, in an apt little speech, to which Mr. Chapman responded.

There were present at the installation members of Robert Burns lodge of Ayer, among these being John L. Kennison, past noble grand of Beacon lodge; also, members from Apollo lodge of Fitchburg. Addresses were made by the officials of the lodge, by the visiting suite and others.

At a late hour adjournment was made to the banquet hall where the The Neighborhood class of the Ex-

At a late hour adjournment was ladies in this section, which includes made to the banquet hall where the High, and Pleasant streets and Main street to the high school building are cordially invited to attend. As the room is easily available for the at-tendance of the high school students. it is expected that many of these will gain an interest in the work of the class and the mothers are asked to encourage and help sustain their interest.

The Woman's club will meet Tuesday afternoon, February 1, at the Congregational vestry. It will be Federation day. Invited guests are the president and secretary of Shirley club and Hollis club, Currents Events club and two from East Village Social club. There will be a speaker from the Federation club. Tea will be served. Board meeting at 2.15 in ed the ship's course chr the afternoon. The Epworth league will hold their

The District Nurse association will hold their annual meeting and elec-January 31, at eight o'clock at Pres-cott hall. There will be an entertain-ment by the Boy Scouts and the Camp Fire girls to which the public is most earnestly invited to be present.

The Equal Suffrage league will meet with Mrs. J. B. Lewis, Thursday afternoon, February 3, at two o'clock. It will be the annual meeting.

LITTLETON

The Intervention Problem.

From the vigorous push for vention in Mexico on the killing of gighteen Americans by Villa bandits gighteen Americans by Vina bandits put up by congress and the public press, if one did stop to think, it would seem that there is an over-whelming sentiment in this country for the conservation of human life.

for the conservation of human life, but when we come to stop and think what intervention would mean the matter assumes a different aspect.

When we consider that intervention by this country in the internal affairs of Mexico would mean probably the sacrifice of a thousand American lives for every American murdered as well as the ruthless killing of at least as many Mexican workmen in no way as many Mexican workmen in no way concerned in the massacre. It would also mean that this nation would have to maintain a large standing army in Mexico for a long time to come, the expense of which would of course fall

adjuster, a member of a New Brunsa member of a New Brunsa member of a New Brunsa few West and a M. Johning some at few West as as during his residence in Sussex.

Services were held at his late home at Mrs. Sherwood's, Mt. Lebanon street, Thursday afternoon at two of clock. Rev. W. H. Beers of the Methodist church officialities.

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Two selections of hymns were rendered by Mrs. A. G. Pike and Mrs. Achieve holdes to bear silent witness to the love and esteem in which the deceased was held.

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guns for the present, or until some other excuse arises. By the way, Car-ranza's swift movement in this affar might furnish a lesson to this country

and a dozen other places where work men have been shot down for daring to ask for more pay or better condi-tions, there is a better ground for in tervention on the part of the interested than we have in the cas

f Mexico may be well to note in passing that no one has been punished for the Ludlow murders, though several in-vestigations disclosed the responsible

parties pretty clearly.

We think on the whole the old adage, "People who live in glass houses should not throw stones," applies very forcibly to the United States of America.

V. T. E.

SHIRLEY

News Items. Little Helen Dadmun is confined t ner home by illness

The Alliance held its regular ring with Mrs. Luther Holden, cottage, on Thursday afternoon, seventeen members and guests being present. A few of the members who had planned to attend were unable to do so, owing to sickness in their homes. Papers on various subjects were read by Mrs. Thomas L. Hazen. The hostess served refreshments and the afternoon most enjoyably spent the afternoon most enjoyably spent The next meeting will be announced ater

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The Unarmed Pirate

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How She Plundered Was a Mystery.

By F. A. MITCHEL ++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++++

Lieutenant Wickersham, in command of the United States gunboat Zac Taylor, cruising in the Malay archipelago, received a wireless order from the admiral to look out for a pirate vessel that had been doing a lot of damage to shipping in the South China sea. No well defined location for the pirate was given, since it was not known. Probably the order was sent to every United States vessel cruising

in that region. The second day after receipt of the order the watch on the Taylor reported to the officer of the deck that a ship was to be seen on the starboard quarter. She was changing her course very frequently. She did not look at all like a pirate, but on account of her mysterious actions the watch thought

The commander of the Taylor ordered the ship's course changed toward the vessel in question. No sooner had this been done than the other exhibited a clean pair of heels, evidently in flight. . When the gunboat came close enough to the fugitive to discern what she was like Wickersham was surprised to see a very ordinary looking vessel, as unlike a pirate as possible. There were no ports for guns or any other evidence of a capacity for fighting. About dusk the stranger ran close into shore. She was still too far for those on the gunboat to see what swas doing on board of her, but since the anchor chains could be heard rattling in the hawse pipes. Wickersham did not give himself any uneasiness as to her getting away from him.

By the time the Taylor had come near the vessel night had fallen, and since the latter craft showed no light the gunboat felt obliged to stand off. However, Wickersham, suspecting that she might escape him under cover of the darkness, sent a boat in command of Ensign Throckmorton to reconnoiter. The party was gone an hour. When it returned Throckmorton made a very singular report.

He had found the vessel deserted. On her were all sorts of plunder, showing that she was undoubtedly a pirate. There was no cargo unless about a thousand barrels of oil might be considered such, but it seemed rather that this might have been for fuel. And yet the furnace was constructed for coal, of which there was a scant supply.

Wickersham was puzzled. Never had he heard of a pirate unarmed, unmanned, before. Nevertheless there was abundant evidence that the vessel was the one he had been ordered to look out for. The fact that she had fled when he gave chase was alone sufficient to condemn her. As for her crew, they had doubtless gone ashore under cover of darkness.

It did not seem that there was any need to take further action till morning. The anchor of the pirate being on the bottom, there being no crew aboard to raise it and the shore to which they must have gone being eight or ten miles distant, the lieutenant decided to let the matter rest for the night and the next day go aboard the craft himself and make a personal examination. So he turned in, leaving the executive

officer in charge. When the first faint light appeared in the east the commander was awakened to be informed that the pirate had disappeared. Jumping out of his bunk, he put on a dressing gown and slip pers and hurried on deck. The vessel certainly was not where she had been the night before, but the day had broken, and the man in the crow's nest reported her or a vessel very like her on the horizon. Wickersham, after bringing a glass to bear on her, propounced her the pirate and gave orders to get up the anchor and make chase immediately.

The pirate was standing eastward along the tenth parallel of latitude, evidently making for the open sea. The gunboat managed to keen her in sight and make a small gain. During the day the lieutenant made inquiries among the crew to learn if any one had heard any sound during the night. One man said that he fancied he had heard an anchor chain being carefully slip ped through a hawse pipe. He had called the attention of the officer of the deck to it, but since the officer had heard nothing himself he paid no at tention to the man's report. Neverthe loss Wickersham made up his mind that the pirate had slipped her ancho and sailed away without it.

The mystery worked on the men, some of whom were ignorant and superstitious, and knots were constantly gathering to discuss the strange craft the opinion being occasionally express ed that the ship was a phantom. But this did not reach the ears of the commander, who would have taken means to anash it.

During the day a wireless message was flashed by the admiral asking if the Taylor had seen anything of the Wickersham asked for inforpirate. mation as to the vessel that he was or dered to capture. The answer was that the admiral had no description of her. It had been reported that several vessels due at Chinese ports had not come in. The weather had been fine; therefore there was no suspicion that they had been wrecked by storm. It the newspapers.

had been reported that one Dixon, an Englishman, who was known to be a pirate, had bought a vessel at Canton, and it was supposed that he had fitted her up for piratical purposes. It looked as if he had captured the missing vessels and sunk them with all on board. This information did not relieve Wickersham's perplexity. If the vessel he was chasing was the one Dixon had purchased, how had he been able to capture ships, plunder them and sink them without any armament? Never-

theless that this had been done was

evident from the valuables found on

the deserted unarmed ship which was now fleeing before the Taylor. Toward the close of the second day of the chuse the island of Formosa was sighted, and Wickersham began to fear that his prey would escape him by putting into some indentation or inlet along the Formosan coast. The commander of the fugitive vessel ran to within a few miles of shore, but did not put in, evidently waiting for dark in order that his pursuer might not be able to see him when he left the open water. However, reaching a convenient point for hiding, he ran into it while there was still sufficient light for Wickersham to see him.

The fact of his doing so set the lieutenant thinking. Might she not have paused in her flight, when she could have kept on, for a purpose? The fact that so many vessels had disappeared suggested that the pirate had some newfangled device for wrecking them. Might she not come out during the night and practice it on the Taylor? As soon as it was dark, taking a position off where the pirate had put in. Wickersham dropped his anchor and ordered every light on the ship put out. He would not even permit a lamp to be left burning, though covered. He resolved to remain awake during the night, ready for any emergency. However, about midnight, becoming drowsy, he went to sleep in a hammock, having given orders to be called should anything unusual occur. About 2 o'clock he was awakened and told that voices had been heard near the gunboat. Springing up, he went on deck and listened. His ficaring was very acute, and he was sure that he heard a sound of oars which had been imperfectly muffled. He ordered a gun to be loaded on each of the four quarters, ready to be fired. Some of his subordinates wondered what he expected to shoot at, while the more superstitious of the crew began to fear that there was something supernatural

But the lieutenant ordered every man to keep perfectly silent and remained on watch himself. When the first ray of light came he descried a boat pulling directly toward the Taylor. It was a mile away, and a cable's length behind it the water seemed disturbed, as though some obstacle was moving through it. Then suddenly the lieutenant rushed to the gun that pointed toward the coming boat and stood with the lanyard in his hand, peering into the breaking darkness. Others on the deck were able to descry the moving boat, but not the object disturbing the water behind it. Nevertheless in a few minutes all could see something that caused a cold chill to run down their spines. It was the periscope of a submarine. From it every eye was turned to their commander, who was carefully sighting the piece near which he stood. Calling to his next in command to come to him, without taking his eye off the periscope, he resigned the lanyard to him, with orders to pull it when he gave the order. When the periscope came within a hundred yards of the Taylor it slowed down and began to settle in the water.

"Fire!" There was an explosion, and the peri scope careened, showing evidence of being wrecked, then disappeared. In fow minutes the surface of the water was covered by oil. Wickersham gave a sigh of relief, which was re-echoed by

every man on the Taylor. The men in the boat turned and were pulling away lustily when a well aimed shot from another gun sent her to the bottom, leaving her crew, some dead, some wounded and some unhurt, floating on the water.

"Man a boat!" cried Wickersham. A boat was soon pulling to the men struggling in the water. They were picked up and brought on to the Taylor. One of them was Dixon. This was his story:

He had been using the vessel he had bought to carry plunder which was secured by means of a submarine he kept with him. He would put a torpedo into a vessel, then while she was sinking board her and secure what valunbles he could find. His boarding party was well armed, but seldom needed to use their weapons. After gathering the plunder he would leave the vessel and her crew to go down together, taking pains that no person lived to tell the tale. Believing that the Taylor would eventually get him, Dixon had resolved to torpedo her. Unfortunately for him, the night was dark, and he was unable to find her till daylight revealed him to his intended prey.

Wickersham reported the facts to the admiral, who directed him to hang the few pirates he had captured. The order was obeyed while the Taylor was making for the plunder ship, which was overhauled. The men, supposing that the Taylor would surely be torpedoed, took little care and did not see the gunboat until she was well on them. Then they tried to escape in boats, but were all captured and served the same nunishment as the others.

The admiral's order to hang the pirates without trial enabled him to hush the matter up, which course he deem ed advisable, and, although reported to Washington, the matter never got into