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TOWNSEND

Mrs. M. E. Baldwin, who has been visiting at her son's in Worcester, returned to her home last Sunday.

Thomas Hollohan, who has been station agent here ten years next June. on Monday left with Mrs. Hollohan to afteen days' furlough, visiting old fill his new position at Bemis, a station scenes and calling upon his many in Watertown. A permanent agent friends, for this place has not yet been appoint. The tenement vacated by Mr. Whist I Hollohan and family is to be occupied by the new high school principal and his family.

Mrs. Charles Hagar spent Wednes-day and Thursday in Boston. Mrs. A. D. Bagley on Saturday éve ning returned from a two-days' visit with her daughter, Miss Esther Bag-ley, who is a teacher in the Spring-field, Vt. schools.

most happily surprised by the arrival of their son and brother, Private Howard L. Doran, from Camp Eustice, A telephone message from Lester Noward L. Doran, from Camp Eustlee, Va. Three years ago Private Doran left Townsend for Seattle, Wash, and he had reached Camp Devens and that he expected his discharge papers at an early date. the service from Seattle and went into training at Camp Lewis. When the armistice was signed Private Doran was 100 miles out from Newport News en route for France. The vessel was ordered back and he with other soldiers was sent to Camp Eustice. Private Doran is thoroughly enjoying his

Jnderprice

Whist Party. Whist Party.

On last Saturday evening a progressive whist party was given at the gressive whist party was given at the home of Mrs. Elizabeth Fletcher. The occasion was in honor of the birthday anniversaries of Mrs. Minnie Knight and ex-Senator Bagley. At eight o'clock place cards were distributed and the various couples sought their respective tables. As a mark of distinction Mrs. Knight and Mr. Bagley were assigned their place at the head table, which position they held trees, it somewhat cheered to know

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Knight, as she was assistant hostess, begged to relinquish her claim in honor of Mrs. J. N. Wetherbee, who held the next highest score. Mrs. Bagley and N. G. Proctor received consolation prizes. After the game, Mrs. Clarence deach of the "cclebrators" with birthday cakes, remarking that it was wives in particular. prizes. Are the game, Mrs. Clarence Josselyn, in a happy manner, present-ed each of the "celebrators" with birthday cakes, remarking that it was

BOXBOROUGH

News Items.

Rev. W. H. Smiley, from New Hampshire, will preach at the Con-gregational church on Sunday morn-ing. The regular monthly missionary meeting that was to be held with Mrs. W. H. Furbush on March 12 is postponed to Thursday, March 13.

The next Red Cross meeting will be held at the usual place on Monday afternoon at two o'clock.

Miss Maria Steele, who has spent several weeks in Sharon, is now at

Miss Hazel Morse had a week's vacation from her school duties in Northfield last week.

Mrs. Frank Dodge is in very poor health and has gone to a hospital in Boston, where she expects to undergo an operation. Mrs. B. C. Steele is with her.

Samuel Wetherbee has returned from overseas and is now at Camp

The schools resumed their Friday sessions at the hall last week under the direction of Mr. Millington and

George Keyes and C. B. Robbins are on the invalid list the past week. Deacon Martin E. Wood died at his

home in West Acton on Monday after-noon. His death was due to the infirmities of age. For many years Mr. Wood was a highly respected and loved citizen of this town, and as long as he lived the church here and the townspeople held first place in his affections. He was a sincere christian gentleman, the best of friends and neighbors, a real old-fashioned man with a quaint humor that made him a delightful companion. His passing makes another vacancy in the ranks of those fine old people whose memory is so pleasing. He leaves a wife and a son, whose family has done much to make happy his declining years.

A successful two-days' extension school was held at the hall on Tuesday and Wednesday under the auspices of the Grange, co-operating with the Middlesex County Bureau of Agricul-ture and Home Economics. Probably

Lt. George Sturgis, late of France, spent Saturday at Dinglewood.

On last Sunday evening Mr. and Mrs. Lorenzo Doran and family were support of the scores o

Basement

10¢ pair, 3 pairs for **25¢**

housewives in general and farmers wives in particular.

A good dinner was served each day by fourteen of the ablest members of

birthday cakes, remarking that it was
the first time it had been her pleasure
to furnish duplicates. The evening's
entertainment closed with the serving the Grange, who welcomed the opporof refreshments. All applications for membership

must be presented to the Grange be-fore the next meeting, March 14.

A St. Patrick's entertainment will he a feature of the next Grange meeting. Ice cream and cake will be or sale after the meeting.

SHIRLEY

News Items.

The Ladies circle of the Congrega tional church will meet with Mrs. Dunham next Wednesday afternoon at

dancing classes in Odd Fellows' hall on Saturday afternoon, March 8, at one o'clock,

Proctor's Strand presents this Saturday in Ayer Mabel Normand in "Sis Hopkins." The drama, "Hidden Snares," and latest Gaumont News. Sunday at six and eight p. m., Mme. Petrova in "The Life Mask."

Church Fair.

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There was a big attendance at the St. Anthony's parish fair on Monday and Tuesday erenings. The features of Monday night were especially for the children of the parochial school. During the exening two war songs were rendered by the children of the parochial school, "The glorious vision" and "The clarion," a bugle song, accompanied by Andrew Phelps and Miss Bernadetts Cartier at the plano. On Tuesday occurred the auction of On Tuesday occurred the auction of the basket, which was sold at a

the basket, which was sold at a high price. The general committee consisted of Sylvester Thomas, Michael Gionet, Emile Cote, Elphege Joyal, John J. Chaisson, William Gionet and Osias Chaisson. Those in charge of the table of the Sonality of St. Ann were Mrs. Elizabeth, Hache, Mrs. Minnie Bolger, Mrs. Ursule Glonet, Mrs. Mary A. Stebbins, Lauretta Thomas, Mrs. Edith Jean, secretary of the committee. Those in charge of the table of the Children of Mary were Miss Mary A. Joyal, May Gionet, Rennie Michaud

the Children of Mary were Miss Mary A. Joyal, May Gionet, Rennie Michaud and Miss Annie Bolger.

The following were winners of the different prizes: Wine set, donated by Mrs. Telecien Gionet. Elphege Joyal; gold beads, donated by Mrs. Edith Jean, Euclide Joyal; \$2 in gold, donated by Mrs. Frank Thomas, Mary Gionet; sofa pillow, donated by Mrs. Michael Glonet, Annie LePage; waist, donated by Mrs. LaPointe, Miss Amanda Joyal; portleres, donated by Mrs. do Joyal; portieres, donated by Mrs. Joseph Glonet, Mrs. Rose Devarney; umbrella, donated by Annie Bolger, Esther : Dugay cushion, donated by Miss Florida Glonet, Mrs. Joseph Cartler; photo of Rev. Charles A. Corder, Mrs. Octavien Pontbriand; box of chocolates, donated by May Gionet, Bernadette Cartier; water set, donated by Miss Gertrude Pelote, Miss Mary Thomas; \$5 in gold, donated by Miss Mary A. Joyal, Hector Joyal, of Keene, N. H.; \$2.50 in gold, Rosanna Gionet: punch set, August Provost. The first contest prize of \$5 was won by Miss Mary A. Joyal; the second prize of \$2.50 in gold was won by Mrs. Minnie Bolger. George Couturier won the \$2 in gold for the highest bidder on the basket, which was sold for \$35. The total sum netted for the two evening

The town has been called to mourn the loss of one of its most respected and host loved citizens in the passir away of Mrs. Julia F. Kilburn, widow of Cyrus Alden Kilburn, who entered higher life on Tuesday, March the higher life on Tuesday, March at Mrs. Kilburn was born in New Bed-ford on October 1, 1841, the daughter of Alden G, and Hope Ann Snell, and came to this town in 1852, her father being at that time agent and part being at that time agent and part owner of the Phœnix mill. She was therefore one of the oldest residents, and although of a retiring disposition and devoted to her family and her home, she maintained throughout her life a deep interest in her townspeo-ple, and her kindly ministrations will

be long remembered.
She was an attendant and supporter of the Universidist church and a long-time and devoted member of the Altrurian club. During her long and at times painful illness her patience and

times paintul liness her patience and courage were an inspiration to those who so tenderly cared for her.

The deceased is survived by her daughter, Grace Marion Kilburn; her step-daughter. Eva M. Kilburn; a brother, Frank W. Snell, and a sister. Flora, wife of Herbert D. Allen.
Funeral services were held at her
late residence on Friday afternoon at

two o'clock, Rev. Thomas J. Farmer of Auburn, Me., officiating.

HARVARD

News Items.

The Alliance will hold an all-day sewing meeting on Thursday, March 13, at the farm home of Mrs. William Westcott, West Bare hill.

On Friday evening, March 14, the annual supper served by the gentle-men of the Unitarian parish will be given at the town hall at six and sever o'clock. A. F. Ripley will have charge of the arrangements. At eight o'clock an entertainment, in charge of Mrs. J. E. Maynard, will be put on. followed by dancing.

On Wednesday afternoon, March 12, the efficiency sewing class will hold their regular meeting in the lower

Miss Urguhart entertained over the week-end and Sunday her father, who came on from Union, Me., to spend a few days with his daughter here. Friends of Mrs. Flora Gleason, form-

erly Miss Flora Oakes, of this town, will be pleased to know of the birth of a son at their home in North Ad-Kent Royal is stationed at Hansford, W. Va., where he is to act as house officer in the Sheltering Arms

Miss Margaret Bell was a week-end guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. M. Farnsworth.

Miss Frances Ross, our town nurse

LITTLETON

A large class was initiated into the first and second degrees at the Grange on Wednesday evening, the ladies' de-gree staff working the second degree with Mrs. Clarence Crosby as master, and the regular officers working the first degree. Deputy Cahill of Waitham was present to inspect the Grange and was heard in a brief address with much interest. Several visitors were in attendance from of injuries received when he fell on naighborhood Granges and made retired to the current events.

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Lunenburg, Thursday, where Rev. F. W. Lambertson was to give his chalk talk on character reading at sight.

The public is reminded of the pub lic initiation of the scouts on Friday evening of this week at the Congrega-tional vestry. Small admission fee. Misses Fannie and Gertrude San-derson were guests of Miss Elizabeth Houghton at Hotel Vendome, Wednes-

day, when they heard Mr. Ward, hus-band of the late May Alden Ward,

Some of the Littleton farmers have been unable to harvest ice, and now that the robins and bluebirds have come back and many things in nature are prophetic of an early spring, We fear that they will have to depend upon the earlier ice harvested for their summer supply.

Miss Orissa Baxter, of Milton, was week-end guest of the Misses San-

Rev. H. L. Caulkins will not preach Sunday owing to his present illness. A welcome awaits the members of his parish in the other churches should they choose to attend divine service there.

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WESTFORD

The reading circle of the Tadmuck club will meet with Mrs. L. H. Buckshorn on Tuesday afternoon of next week at 2,30. The three-act Russian play, "The cherry orchard," will be the study of the afternoon.

Miss Mary Green, of Minots' Corner neighborhood, is spending several weeks with a sister in Portland, Me. Mrs. Frank Balley, of West Newbury, is spending the week with her sister, Mrs. O. V. Wells.

Perley E. Wright has moved this dren. John Felch and family from

W. D. Pitkin, who worked for George F. White two seasons ago, is at work for him for this season. Mrs. C. A. Blaney is sick with influenza and Mrs. Annie Hamlin is as-

sisting in the care of her. The roads are in pretty bad shape, as all who have to be out with autos or horses can testify. Perley E. Wright has not been to Boston with his trucks for several days for fear of getting stuck with the soft travel-ing F. E. Meyer, R. F. D. carrier, reports some pretty hard trips get-ting ever his route. Some particularly had abots in the roads are in front of Alec-McDougall's and by the Burbeck place. With a lack of frost in the ground it is hoped that the roads will settled early in the season.

The work of the French Relief contimes its work, meeting every Monday at the home of Mrs. Julian A.

The Red Cross work was cleaned up last week Friday and Library hall presents once more the orderly appearance of former days. With five "Till we meet again," Sergt. George sewing machines in use and at some wilson and Mrs. F. E. Meyer, Mr. Sessions twenty-five or thirty workers it has been a busy place. Now that the work is stopped a word of honthe work is stopped a word of hon-est commendation is due the capable caretaker of the building, Charles H. Pickering. It has meant confusion and a trail of lint and dust, but Mr. Pickering has always been patient forbearing and helpful, always for-warding and not hindering the work. thereby doing his honest bit in the

There is to be a dancing class started Friday afternoon, March 14. There will be a beginners' and an advanced class and Miss Elsie Farwell, a suc-cessful dancing instructor, of Dor-chester, is to be the teacher. Mrs. L. H. Buckshorn and Mrs. J. W. Shad-dick are in charge of the enterprise.

The monthly all-day Ladies' Aid meeting will be held at the home of the president, Mrs. Perley E. Wright next week Thursday.

The competitive prize drill of the home guard company takes place next Tuesday evening, to which the public is cordially invited. Everyone is cor-dially welcome. There will be a speaker; we are not able at this time to state just who, but Capt. Robinson expects a good speaker on the war Besides the regular drill there will be competitive prize drills of three squads. There will be five prizes one for the three squads drill, to be won twice by the same squad, one for non-commissioned officers' drill, first and second prize, and one for the privates, competitive drill, first and second prize. Capt. Hall of the Cor cord company or his representative will be present, also Capt. Branigan of Groton. The Westford company is progressing well in a military way and at present, owing to some who could not attend, having to drop out, there is a waiting list in the company.

Sergt. Edwin A. Robey, of Battery F. returned home from Camp Jack-son, S. C., where he received his hongrable discharge from the service at ter a period of two years of duty Sergt. Robey was eleven months in active service in France and was in the battle of Chateau Thierry last July when the American soldiers turned back the Huns. He enlisted in March, 1917, and went to France the following October, when he was promoted to sergeant and was in active western front until Sepback to America as an instructor in artillery fire at Camp Jackson, S. C. He was all ready to start overseas a second time when the armistice was signed in November. We well re-member enjoying a visit with Sergt Robey when he was learning to be a soldler with Battery F at the camp in

Westford's large crop of winter ap- shipped. ples have now been mostly shipped to Boston, although a few of the or-chardists still have some of their crop still to be shipped, which in all makes quite a few hundred boxes. The in-flated prices recently and the bad traveling have put things at rather a standstill this week, although Ferley E. Wright expects by the middle of which the town has been repairing month the shipping will be prac-

At the Congregational church or Sunday morning the pastor's subject "The kingdom of heaven, the evening, "Resching, and in the evening "Reaching," March 5 will be rally-to-the-church Sunday with the Spain "March on with some church from March on." The illustrated lecture, 'Foresteams of liberty," the first in a reas of three on the Pilarmas, last Sunday evening, was much enjoyed. The sec-ond in the series will be given a two

Cited for Bravery.

It is thoroughly interesting to heaof the part taken by our Westford boys "over there." We quote the fol-lowing concerning two Westford soldiers: Sergt, Leroy A. Bicknell, D. Company, 9th Machine Gun Battalion. of Main street, has been cited for bravery and will receive a war cross. In action during the Argonne-Meuse operations, October 9-26, without infantry support, his company with-stood an enemy attack for two days. during which time two of his men and one gun were captured. He

guns, and succeeded in releasing hi wn men and releasing fifty enem orisoners, which he marched back to his own lines. Sergt. Bicknell, in the early spring of 1516, went to Boston where he enlisted as a private, and was sent overseas and is now in the Army of Occupation in Germany. He is the son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles H. Bicknell, of Westford Center. Two uncles were in the civil war, Al Bick-nell, of this town, and a brother, buried at Gettysburg.

Tadmuck Club.

Children's day in the Tadmuck club, which took place on Tuesday afternoon at the Unitarian vestry, with Mrs. A. H. Sutherland as hostess, proved one of the best children's af-ternoons in the annals of the club. There were about 115 children present. The entertainers for the little people were Misses Helen Thissell and Beryl Fradd, two seniors from the Lowell Normal school. These young ladies told groups of stories that held the attention of the children every minute. In addition there were songs and folk dancing in charge of Miss. Edith A. Wright of the Frost school, sion on Sunday afternoon at 4.30. motion song by a group of girls and other songs by groups of children in here as a trained nurse, is staying f of crisp corn cakes was given each guest of Miss Eva Pync. She is on a child at the close of the meeting. The furlough from U. S. Deportation Hosmothers and friends evidently enjoypital No. 2, Staten Island, and has remothers and friends evidently enjoyed the program as much as the chil-

week John Felch and family from
Townsend to Westford. Mr. Felch will
Library hall, Mrs. Ruth Stevens Reed
work for S. B. Watson.

At the next meeting, March 18, in
Library hall, Mrs. Ruth Stevens Reed
will lecture on "Better dressing on smaller expenditures."

Social.

The patriotic social at the Congre gational vestry last week Thursday stand throughout the entire program. Local talent, assisted by splendid talpeople. The rooms were handsometric from Graniteville and Littleton. ly decorated with bunting, flags and pictures. Mrs. L. W. Wheeler had charge of the evening's program, assisted by Mrs. Charles H. Wright with the music, and Miss Edith A. Wright as accompanist.

The program opened with a plano solo by Miss Elinor Colburn; sketch of Washington, with portrait, Mrs. of Washington, with portrait, Mrs. Brownsey; reading, "If." Mrs. Perley E. Wright; sketch of Lincoln, with portrait, Miss Loker; solo, in costume, "In the sweet long ago," Mrs. C. A. Blaney; tribute to Roosevelt, with portrait, Mr. Brownsey; chorus, with solo, Mrs. Bertha Wilson Whitney; sketch of a trip to the Gen. Putnam country and Westford, Conn.. Mrs. Wheeler; plano solo, "The chimes," Wheeler; plano solo, "The chimes," Forrest White; sketch of Pershing, with portrait, Mr. Roudenbush; duet, "Battle hymn of the republic," men's

chorus, Messrs. Day, Roudenbush, Wheeler, Brownsey, Meyer and Wilson: sketch of Foch, with portrait Mr. Wheeler; chorus, "Cousin Jedi-diah," in costume; "Star Spangled Banner," chorus and audience. Refreshments of sherbet, cake and

ecorative scheme of red, white and Mrs. S. L. Taylor and Mrs. F. E. Meyer have the March social in charge and already have plans made for

after the entertainment, the same

supper and entertainment. About Town.

A Chelmsford farmer was seen ploughing on Thursday. This is ahead of the premature. This is better torn veather than we had last June.

Oscar R. Spaiding has sold the Amesbury farm on Main street and Tadmuck road, reserving the woodland and orchards.

Miss Anna O'Brien is ill with the inluenza and threatened with pneumonia at her home on Pigeon hill, Stony

J. Henry Fletcher and Arthur Sletcher, of Belmont, were recent visiors in town at the Fletcher Cold pring farm, near Westford depot.

The next meeting of West Chelms-ford Grange will be held on Thurs-day evening, March 13. The principal feature will be a "St. Patrick's party" n charge of Margaret Reid.

The Longley house, for so ears the home of the Longley family, West Chelmsford, and of late years wned and occupied by Mrs. ohnson, granddaughter of the elder ongleys, has been sold to James leid, a draughtsman for the H. E. letcher Co., stone contractors, Oak

Woodchucks are out, robins are singing, the crow is cawing and the pussy willows is blooming—spring has arrived if it don't take a winter vaca-

While our railroads can't live finan cally and have the entire freight transportation, how senseless to spend millions to develop another transportation line and thus add to the tember 6, 1918, when he was sent \$150,000,000 railroad deficit of last

> This country shipped overseas since divided into 5489 cavalry horses, 979 pack mules, 33,396 draft horses and 28,088 draft mules. The total number lost enroute, so far reported, was one percent of the total number

> The large, unsafe old chimney at the Keefe place on Francis hill has been razed, and a modern chimney raised skyward.

> The heavy rain of last Friday night and Saturday forenoon caused a bad washout on the hill at Brookside mill with small stone and small gravel, mixed at the John H. Decatur farm on the Lowell road. What is needed in this particular spot of the universe is a water route other than the center of the road. In English it is known as a ditch. The writer, in a recent horse power ride to Lowell, found the center of the road on the long him Chelmsford from one to two for lower than the lowest level of ought-to-be ditch, but where there has been only spasmodic imitations of a ditch since the road was built fifty.

Congressman Rogers has introduc ed a bill for a large reservoir at the headwaters of the Merrimack river to conserve the surplus water for mil power and irrigation for summer shortage. This is a much more promising, helpful project than dredging he Merrimack river for ocean steam. east or present.

Forge Village.

ine years ago.

planned and carried out a counter at where she will care for her uncle, for the past few days.

who is getting on in years and is in A son was born on Sunday to Mr. and Mrs. Edwin C. Harrigan, of Bos-Mrs Harrigan is staying with

ton. Mrs. Harrigan is staying ther mother here, Mrs. Jane Dare The many friends of Mrs. Elmer Nutting will be pleased to learn that she is recovering from her recent ill-

Miss Mary Merrick is spending a few days with her sister, Mrs. Jame H. Brown, of Clinton.

Mr. and Mrs. John Bennett and sor eonard, of Clinton, spent the weekend here with his mother, Mrs. Wil-

liam Burnett, Little Richard Keefe, son of Mr

and Mrs. Stephen Keefe, of Towns-end, is staying here with his aunt, Mrs. H. John Carmichael. A new addition is being built on the icehouse here, making it nearly,

The new bungalow built for Maxine

Record on Storey street is rapidly nearing completion. Rev. Angus Dun will preach his farewell sermon at St. Andrew's mis-

motion song by a group of girls and Miss Agnes Roughan, well known other songs by groups of children in here as a trained nurse, is staying for addition to the folk dancing. A treat a few days' rest at Pine Ridge as the cently recovered from a severe attack

of pneumonia.

Benefit Concert. The benefit concert held in Abbot hall on Tuesday evening for William was the most enjoyable affair held here for some time. The hall was filled and many had to ent from Graniteville and Littleton entertained the audience for nearly two hours. The audience was most two hours. attentive and every consideration was

attentive and every consideration was shown to those taking part in the program were Miss Rebecca LeDuc, Claire Payne, Misses Winnie Thompson, Ethel M. Collins, Marion Lord, Wilstein M. Taking Charge Collins, Marion Lord, Wilson, Wilson, Marion Lord, Wilson, Wilson, Marion Lord, Wilson, Marion Lord, Wilson, Wilson, Marion Lord, Wilson, Wilson, Marion Lord, Wilson, llam and John Baker, George Cook, Misses Carolyn E. Precious, Adelaide Hosmer, Joseph Blott, Robert McCarthy, Misses Laura McCarthy, Annie Orr, Mildred Precious Ruth Car nie Orr, Mildred Preclous, Ruth Cav-anaugh, John and William Kelley, Misses Alice Hosmer, Alice Walsh Katherine O'Neil, Mary Sullivan, Lillian Hunt, Florence Caunter, Pamelya Precious, Carolyn Precious. Motion pictures and selections by an orchestra also helped to complete the pro gram. The members of the orchestra were violins, Mildred Precious and Gertrudo Baker; mandolins, Lillian and Gladys Baker and Pamelya Precious; cornet, Joseph Blott; piano, Carolyn E. Precious, who was also ac-

companist for several selections.

The committee are very grateful to all those who took part in the program, especially to those from the nearby villages, whose talent was glad-ly given; also, those who contributed popcorn and candy, which was sold early in the evening. Quite a large sum was realized from these sweets. The committee in charge were John Edwards, William and Thomas Kel-ley, Mr. and Mrs. William Baker, Mr. and Mrs. John Baker, Mrs. Fred Davis and Mrs. W. C. Precious and Miss Sarah Precious. They were ably assisted in the disposing of the tickets by Rev. Angus Dun of Ayer and sev-eral people in Graniteville and Forge Village

William Burnett, for whom this af-Owing to his health he has been unable to work steadily for some years. Eye trouble developed and one was removed a few years ago. Lately, the remaining eye has caused much pain and although an operation performed bins) has died. recently was successful, yet the sight Yarn from R s returning but slowly.

nie Thompson also performed on the Marion Flagg or Mrs. G. A. Cook. violin in an able manner, while the clog dancing of the Baker brothers

delighted the audience.

Once again the fact was demonstrated that the nonulation here has creased to such an extent that the hall is much too small, and that the residents are awaiting the time when the contemplated alterations are a act, and these social affairs can be with everyone comfortably

traniteville.

The members of Cameron Circle, 6 of F. of A., held a benefit concert and ince in Healy's hall on last week riday night that was fairly well atnded. The entertainment consisted the following numbers: Piano so-Miss Bertha Stanley: song, Forrest rpentier; violin solo, Richard Healy; ng, R. J. McCarthy; song, Miss Reeca LeDuc. The accompanists of evening were Florence Caunter. 8 Claire Payne, Gertrude Carpenr and Miss Laura McCarthy. After the concert dancing was enjoyed to North Chelmsford and continued until At intermission refresh ments were served. The affair was in charge of Mrs. W. J. Robinson, Mrs. Maria Wall, Miss Laura McCarthy, Mrs. Elizabeth Harrington.

masses at St. Catherine's ast Sunday morning were celed that during the holy season votions would be held in the Wednesday and Friday evethat this organization will erect am of memorial for the hoys Special Town Meeting. St. Catherine's church who made

second to this matter. a good attendance.

The snow is rapidly disappearing est few days the frost is fast coming the ground. It begins to look ike spring.

Many people from this village at ended the benefit concert that was gency business proposition has no call held in Forge Village on Tuesday evening.

Miss Hilma Hanson has been visitng with her friend, Miss Ruth Don- one would reappropriate money voted Mrs. Louisa Coley has disposed of aghy, Marlboro, for the past few days. /in 1917 for use on Taylor street to the her household furniture and will sail Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Rafferty have same use, and the other brings up the shortly for Kidderminster, England, been visiting with relatives in Boston condition of our roads generally. The

Private Walter Blanchard, a Grantoville boy, has recently returned from overseas duty. Private Blanchard went across last summer as member of the 76th Division.

LITTLETON

was demolished last week was struck by the Boston express passing New Estate crossing about 8.22 a. m. Mr. Hutchinson has replaced the truck with an attractive, large, substantial

truck. Miss'S. Elizabeth Houghton went to Belmont on Monday to assist her sister, Mrs. Mary Holt, who has been ill for some time.

Edward McInnis and Roland Fletcher, who recently came back from France, returned to their homes last week. Sergt. McInnis was in the hos-pital seven months and is still suffering from the effects of shell shock.

The Fitchburg stockholders had an other free ride last week Thursday, making three free rides to Boston and return in February.

Last week Friday proved an unlucky day for Herbert Sanderson, as he had eventeen gallons of gasolene stoler from his tank and was urable to find out who was so generous with him-

Mrs. G. A. Barber returned from the Lowell General hospital last Sunday and is convalescent.

Mrs. Alfred Healy, who was very ill ast week, is recovering, and we hope will soon be in normal health again. A son, Laurence, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Tony Pace last week Thurs-

Rev. O. J. Fairfield was in Lowell Thursday attending a meeting of min-isters, where the chief speaker was Rev. William L. Sullivan of New York, whose book, "The priest," has been read by many in Littleton. The topic presented at the meeting was a practical one for discussion, "How men and women to a sense of their spiritual needs?" The discussion was opened by Rev. Paul Revere Frothingham of Boston.

Sunday is Rally-to-church day when everyone is appealed to show his loyalty to some church, his own or the nearest. The church has supported every cause; let everyone sup port the church. There will be warm welcome tomorrow at every church in Littleton. As the posto march on with some church rom March-on!

The Congregational club supper and entertainment slated for March ing, March 18, on account of a very important town meeting, which is to be held March 12. The supper will be in the Congregational church vestry, as usual.

Prof. Bert L. Hartwell of Kingston fair was arranged, has been a resident R. I., spent last week Friday night of this village for thirty-one years, with his mother at Charles A. Hartwell's, leaving the following day to attend to professional duties.

Yarn from Red Cross headquarters is expected here this week. This is to be made into boys' sweaters and Mention should be made of the singing of Miss Rebecca LeDuc, who sings with a great deal of expression, sings with a great deal of expression. sings with a great deal of expression, and her well trained voice is always a source of much pleasure. John Kelley, whose voice is very powerful and unusually sweet, would with a few years' study make a name for himments is requested to call for yarn at self in the musical world. Miss Win- the home of Mrs. H. L. Caulkins, Miss

Mrs. John D. Warren has not been in her usual health this last week and ound it best to remain in bed mos

of the time. We wish to correct an error that in some mysterious way crept into the Littleton column last week. Mr. and Mrs. Charles L. Smith pleasantly celebrated their wedding anniversary a week ago, which anniversary we can not say, for we do not know, but certainly not the fiftieth, for neither Mr nor Mrs. Smith is much over fifty years.

Few of the Littleton people attended the extension school in Boxbore Tuesday and Wednesday, but those who persevered in going over the muddy roads felt well repaid by the splendid program carried out. The speakers were all that .was anticipated and the Boxboro hospitality was well up to the standard of former years.

The United Workers met with Mrs harles A. Kimball on Wednesday af The president, vice president and secretary were unavoidably absent. Miss Julia S. Conant presided and took charge of the program. Mrs. A, Kimball was chosen secretary pro tem. Miss Elizabeth Thacher led. in the devotions, Miss J. S. Conant read a paper introductory to the subject of the meeting, "Women in industry," and other parts in the program were taken by Mrs. Frank H. Hill, Miss Marion W. Flagg and Miss Martha H. Kimball.

Miss R. M. Graham invites the pub the wednesday and Friday events and the second mass plan meeting of the Holy Name was held. At that time it was held. At that time it was held. At that time it was held. At the time it was the ck. Ayer, Mass.

A special town meeting comes next

there me sacrifice during the world Weinesday evening at 7.30. The first who are now sleeping in article is to choose a moderator who A meeting will be held short-ard to this matter. will serve the balance of the municipal ard to this matter. members of Court Graniteville, side of the next annual town meeting. of A. held their regular meeting. The second article is in regard to their rooms on last Thursday night town half sanitation, involving the installation of tollet rooms and a septic tank outside. dowing to the mild weather of the regard to letting the town hall, the purchase of the moving picture out-fit—the booth we understand, and not the machine---and keeping the town house open for the use of the towns-people. Three articles follow in repeople. Three articles follow in re-gard to roads-one would put the up-keep of the road from the Center to the Common in the hands of the Massachusetts Highway Commission; llast article would have the town re-

consider the vote of the last town meeting in regard to a public health nurse. The indications are that the meeting will awaken general interest and call out a full attendance.

The Home Economics committee of the Woman's club have been fortun-ate in securing Mrs. Ida S. Harrington of the Middlesex County Bureau of Through the Boston Post of last Saturday Miss Helen Stearns, of Cambridge, made public her engagement to John Allis, U. S. N. R. F., of Watertown and Littleton, who is still in active service. It is expected that the marriage will take place this spring.

The Dell Dale farm truck which Rhode Island to take up the work in Middlessand to take up the work in Middlessx county laid down by Miss Alma Halbower. The meeting on Monday will be an open one and all interested in the subject for the afternoon will be cordially welcomed. Mrs. Harrington will speak on saving steps and strength in home making and it is hoped the talk will be followed by discussion and suggestions She will also speak of the clothing efficiency school which it is proposed to hold here later on in April. who heard Mrs. Harrington at the meetings in Boxboro on Tuesday and Wednesday of this week were much impressed with her personality and capability and they feel that she is worthy of a large audience.

Luto Thief Folled. ~

Dr. J. D. Christic had an exciting experience with an automobile the last week Friday evening. He wen out of his house at the common a lit trip in his car and discovered the ca oming down Robinson's lane. Think ing that some of the boys in the neighborhood were playing a trick the Rev. H. L. Caulkins has been housed doctor should to the driver as he approached, saying that he wanted to wheel increased his speed, going to wards the center. The doctor imme diately telephoned to G. A. Cook t stop the thief at Kimball's corner possible. He called up Allen Stile and asked him to take his car out to assist if possible in the capture of the Christic car, which meantime had been turned around at the library and was shortly afterwards seen by Mrs. Christie speeding down the Great road.

Dr. Christie then telephoned to E. T. Hutchinson of Dell Dale farm to intercept the thier if possible. This Mr. Hutchinson attempted, shouting with a loud voice and trying to stop the car. Evidently he succeeded in frightening the driver for Dr. Christic and Alian Stiles, who were close upor him, had not quite reached the cross ing at East Acton when they found the stolen auto abandoned, and the station agent informed them that shortly before a soldier went running down the road and as two automobiles came along the soldier leaped over he wall and disappeared

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pecific repairs.
Wherefore, we pray you will reloate said roads and direct specific re-

airs thereon. FRANK A. TORREY.

and fifteen others. Commonwealth of Massachusetts

diddlesex, ss. At a meeting of the County Commisioners for the County of Middlesex, at Cambridge, in said County, on the first Tuesday of January, in the year of our Lord one thousand nine hundred and nineteen, to wit, by adjournment at said Cambridge on the seventeenth day of February A. D. 1919.

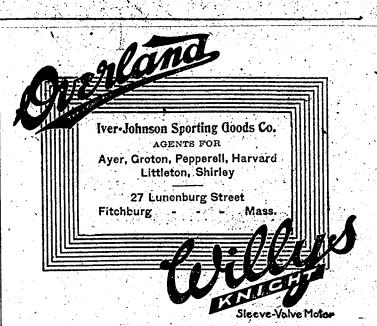
On the foregoing petition, Ordered

that the Sheriff of said County, or his Deputy give notice to all persons and erporations interested therein, that surpose of viewing the premises and nearing the parties at the Town Hall n Groton in said County of Middlesex on Thursday the twentieth day of March A. D. 1919, at 10.15 A. M., by serving the Clerk of the town of Groon, with a copy of said petition and of this order thereon, thirty days at least before said view, and by publishing the same in the Lowell Courier-Citizen newspaper printed at Lowell, three veeks successively, the last publication to be fourteen days at least before said view, and also by publishing in the Groton Landmark, a newspaper printed at Ayer, three weeks successively, and by posting the same in two public places in the said town of Groand that he make return of his doing herein, to said Commissioners, at the ime and place fixed for said view and hearing.

WM. C. DILLINGHAM, Clerk. Copy of petition and order thereon

WM. C. DILLINGHAM. Clerk. A true copy of petition and order thereon. Attest

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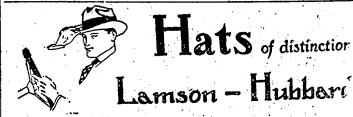
Maple Street

months of MARCH and APRIL, 1919.

Garage 39-3

VERIFICATION OF SAVINGS BANK BOOKS The attention of the DEPOSITORS in the following SAVINGS BANKS is hereby called to the provision of Section 43 of Chapter 590 of the Acts of 1908, requiring VERIFICATION OF THE BOOKS OF DEPOSIT during the present year, and they are respectfully requested to hand or send in their books, for this purpose during the

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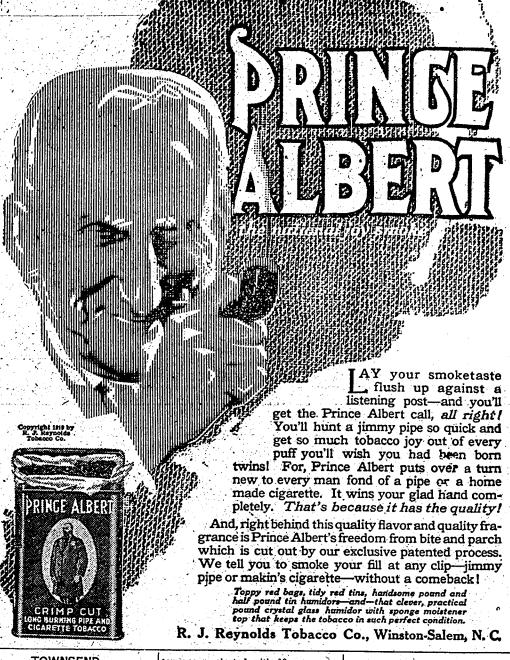
lect at the morning service "Roose-

E., the topic being "Lost by looking,"

The Ladies' Study club will hold

Mr. and Mrs. Mervin Hodgman are

No. 2 at engine hall on Monday even



TOWNSEND

The new high school principal, J H. Bachelder, entered upon his duties Monday morning and for the present he is at the Park hotel at the Center, until he can move his family from East Concord, N. H., to the tenement at Townsend Harbor being vacated by Thomas Hollohan. Mr. Hollohan was the recent station agent at the Harbor and his new appointment is at Bemis. rotes. A Mr. Curtis is acting as temporary station agent at the Harbor.

Before the retiring principal of the high school, Frank Altman, left town. his pupils presented him with ten dol-lars in gold as an expression of their esteem and regard.

Rev. and Mrs. A. L. Struthers and Mrs. LeGay were conveyed by Miss Alberta Barber in her auto, Monday afternoon, to Ashby, where they attended the funeral of George Searis which was held at the home of his aunt, Mrs. Minnie Searls Green. Mr. Searls was a member of the Townsend Congregational church and his pastor, Rev. A. L. Struthers, had charge of the committal service held at the grave in the Ashby cemetery. Mr. Searls was a native of Townsend, the son of the late Joseph Searls, of South row. The deceased was twenty-two years old and had been in failing health for several years. The sudden closing of his life just as he entered young manhood was especially sad. He was ill with influenza at the temporary hospital in town during the and later taken to the Clinton the illegal sale of liquor. hospital for tubercular treatment. where he died last Saturday from last year, No 66, Yes 20, bronchial pneumonia. He had many Art. 7. In relation to the town and church h whom he will be sadly missed.

Notice is given by the American Red to the town, dog licenses be used for Cross that a service certificate and badge will be awarded any one who has rendered 800 hours work for the Red Cross, knitting eight pairs of socks or eight swenthrs. The minimum server of revenue for the financial year 1912. or eight sweaters. The minimum service for which a badge, suspended from a blue ribbon, can be given is 800 hours, dating from April 6, 1917. No recognition is granted for service prior to that date, and the hadge should indicate that the recipient has rendered faithful, self-sacrificing service in behalf of the American Red Cross. Any one in town who is entitled to these certificates and badge will please hand their names to the secretary of the local Red Cross branch, Mrs. J. Liv-ingstone, as soon as possible, so that same can be reported to headquarters.

Annual Town Meeting.

The annual town meeting was held George A. Wilder, town clerk, and T.

poor and board of health, Everett W. appropriation.

Scaver, Clarence L. Webster and Galen Major Sprague stated that Westford Scaver, Clarence L. Webster and Galen Proctor: assessor, 3 years, C. L. had rated \$1500, \$1200 for a nurse Webster; town clerk and treasurer, and \$300 for transportation. When George A. Wilder: constable, Gilman asked, Supt. Knight stated that \$1200

Conant, Henry Hathaway and Harry "elch; highway surveyors, John Dono-van, Stephen Farrar and Thomas J. Smith: tax collector, Everett W. Seav or; auditors, T. E. Flarity, Harry L. Whitcomb, C. B. Willard; sextons James L. Farrar and Abbott Hodgman; trustee public library, 3 years, Evelyn L. Warren: cemetery commissioners, Perry W. Sawtelle, Everett W. Seaver and A. K. Tyler; trustees of lost, ardson in place of Ivers P. Sherwin; ty Bureau of Home Economics and cullers of hoops and staves, same as which is being investigated by the last year, with George Upton in place of G. Beckwith; fence viewers, same as last year; surveyors of wood, bark for a sum of \$50 and the electing of a

tor was re-elected with 62 votes over opponent, William Robinette. There was also a contest for constables, Harry C. Felch with 59 votes being re-elected. His opponent was Henry J. Miller, who received 36 votes.

Henry B. Hathaway was re-elected constable at West Townsend with 72 votes against Roy Brown, who received 17. Gilman S. Conant, with 43 votes, was elected Harbor constable over William Cooper, who received 19, and George H. Blodgett, who received 6

Article 3. Voted appropriations for general government \$2,088.29, protection of life and property \$1,927.69, health and sanitation \$905, highways and bridges \$4,322.11, charities \$2,350, education \$12,755, public library \$296.23, recreation \$275, interest \$450,

town debt \$1,900, unclassified \$575.
The total amount raised in the town budget was \$27,844.32. From this sum \$1500 surplus revenue in 1918 was deducted, leaving \$26,344.32 appropriated under the annual budget.

Art. 4. In accepting the printed reports of the town officers, T. E. Flarity, in behalf of the auditing com mittee, suggested methods of improvement as employed by the selectmen, and urged that one member of the board act as clerk and do the clerical work for the board, as the auditors found it difficult to audit the books, as the work was kept only after comparing with the treasurer after each order

Art. 5. Voted the selectmen a com-mittee to enforce the law in regard to

Art. 6. License vote, No 68, Yes 17;

Art. 7. In relation to prosecuting agent, etc., left with the selectmen.

Articles 10 and 11 passed. Art. 12 voted down.

Art. 13 passed.
Art. 14. To see if the town will raise and appropriate the sum of ing. the income to be used for the per-\$1200 for the employment of a public petual care of Deacon John Spaulding health nurse, proved one of the most interesting issues coming up for ac-tion. After explanatory remarks by Dr. Finnegan, the state board of health officer, on the benefit to be derived from the health nurse in the community as well as in the public schools. and remarks more in detail by Major Sprague of Camp Devens on the work of the health nurse in preventing communicable diseases and the care of children, and further remarks by H. on Mondax in Memorial hall with a C. Knight, superintendent of schools, large number of voters in attendance, who said that 13 out of 24 children at The meeting was called to order by the Center and 12 out of 27 at West George A. Wilder, town clerk, and T. Townsend were under weight for their E. Flarity was chosen moderator, and years, a matter that had been called Ernest Wilson and W. Swinnington as attention to by the public health nurse

> covered the nurse's salary as he un-derstood it. In response to inquiries Major Sprague's remarks left the impression on the minds of the voters that while possible it was improbable that a nurse could be obtained for less than \$1200, and the impression also left with many of the voters that a further appropriation would be asked for, and the measure was finally

Tucker fund, Richard S. Ely, Perry Supt. Knight, who was strongly in ville, N. H., were recent visitors with Sawtelle and Wilbur Z. Sherwin; tree favor of the article, spoke of the Mr. and Mrs. Patrick Green, and also warden, George E. King; park com-Supt. Knight, who was strongly in missioners, Alfred Fessenden, William ing done among the school children, a Russell and C. F. Worcester; public matter which the public health nurse Russell and C. F. Worcester; public matter which the public health nurse weighers, same as last year, with Har- who has visited Townsend the past old McLane in place of Harry F. year called special attention to. He Knight, George Upton in place of also referred to the dental work be-George Beckwith, and George Rich- ing conducted by the Middlesex Coun-

and lumber, same as last year, with director for demonstration work in George Upton in place of G. Beck- agriculture and home economics had been voted down, a committee of three the serious illness of his brother which contained forty-one articles.

By a vote of 63 to 50 Clarence L. were appointed to investigate the work Charles, who has had pneumonia. He Moderator Harrington and election of

consists of Galen A. Proctor, George H. Tenney and Albert S. Howard. Articles 16 and 17 passed.

Art. 18. Voted to raise \$100 for the improvement of the addition to the West Townsend cemetery.

Art. 19. Voted that the board o fire engineers be authorized to sell the old steamer and the proceeds used as recommended by Chief Piper in his annual report, to paint hose wagon and metal work on the West Townsend steamer and metal work on the steam er at the Center.

Art. 20. The matter of selling the hand fire engine at West Townsend was laid on the table.

Art. 21. Voted that members of the Eclipse engine company who did not serve a full year be allowed their poll

Art. 22. Relative to a committee be ing chosen to arrange for a public re-ception to the Townsend boys who have been in service, on their return home, the moderator appointed the se-lectmen a committee of three to appoint ten men and women to have this matter in charge, and \$100 was appro-priated for this object.

Art. 23. The committee having charge of the reception were authorized to procure some form of recogni-tion and appreciation of the services of these Townsend boys who have participated in the army during the German war, and the further sum of \$250 was appropriated for the committee

Art. 24. It was voted that the heads of departments in town take an inven tory of all vehicles, tools, material and supplies of every kind belonging to the

town at the close of the fiscal year.
Articles 25, 26, 27, 28 and 29. Voted for acceptance the sum of \$100 in Art. S. Voted that money refunded income to be used for the perpetual of the town, dog licenses be used for care of Elbridge Sanders lot. West trust from Miss Addie R. Sanders, the Monday to Atlantic, where they are ballot, 51 to 25, to sell the electric income to be used for the perpetual spending the winter.

Care of Elbridge Sanders' lot, West Mrs. Alexander Reed substituted in position to selling the plant, but sev-Townsend cemetery: from the estate of the late Jonas Jennerson \$75, the income to be used for the perpetual care of Jonas Jennerson lot. Center cemetery; \$75 in trust for the perpet-ual care of Charles T. Jennerson lot in Center cemetery; \$100 in trust from the estate of the late Alice M. Spauldlot in Center demetery; \$100 in trust from the heirs of the late Charles R F. Warner, the income to be used for the perpetual care of lot in Center

cemetery known as the Charles F Warner lot.
Art. 30. Voted to raise and appropriate the sum of \$150 for repairs on town's storage building on Main street, east of residence of C. A. Packard. Art. 31. Voted that the school com

mittee be authorized to use the unex-pended balance of the water supply account, \$229.01, for the purchase of a suitable sanitary drinking fountain for the Center school building.

The sum of \$2.50 was added to the E. Flarity was chosen moderator, and years, a matter that had been called the sum of \$2.50 was added to the tentest. Wilson and W. Swinnington as attention to by the public health nurse annual budget under general government. The following town officials were remarks by other votors in favor of the budget \$26.346.82; total appropriations poor and board of health, Everett W. appropriation.

A bountiful dinner was served in the

banquet hall under the auspices of the L. B. S. of the Methodist church, with L. B. S. of the Methodist church, with Mrs. Mary Spring and Mrs. Minnie Upham in charge.

About Town. Miss Louise Arlin, of Concord Junetion, and Mrs. Gentrude LeClair, of Leominster, were recent quests at

John A. Arlin's. Mrs. Eva Whittenpere, of Fitchburg, was a recent guest of her sister, Mrs. Gilbert McNayr.

Miss Mollie Green, of New York, and Mrs. Alice Bourgeault, of Green-ville, N. H., were recent visitors with called on friends in town.

Word has been received from Har-old Green of his safe arrival from overseas, and was in New Jersey. His Townsend friends hope to see him

The Misses Katherine and Susie Markham, of Winchester, were re-cent visitors at their home here. -George Sherrin has been a recent visitor with his mother, Mrs. Mary

Sherrin. Elwyn Swicker was called home by

eturned Tuesday to Melrose. Mrs. Raiph H. Willard, of Belmont,

their home.

spent Tuesday at the home of her parnts, Mr. and Mrs. George A. Seaver. Word has been received here of the illness of Mrs. George Adams, with pneumonia, at the home of her daugh-ter, Mrs. E. R. Brayton, in Providence, R. I., where she and her daughter, Miss Emma Adams, are spending the

Mervin, Hodgman has been very ill for a few days at his home, but is rapidly recovering. His father, Marcellus Hodgman of Mason, N. H., is assisting in the outside work.

Mrs. Chester Davis on the Ashby road. irs. Roberts is assisting in caring for

he little new arrival. Mrs. A. J. Manchester has been on he sick list for the past week. Dr. and Mrs. Henry B. Boynton visited relatives in Lowell on Sunday, making the trip by auto.

Fred Dwinnell of Somerville joined ils family at the home of Mrs. Dwinnell's parents, Mr. and Mrs. Alexander Reed, for the week-end. Miss Laura Upton from Boston was also a suest of the family for the week-end, eaving Monday for Florida, where she will visit her brother, William

Miss M. Abbie Taft is quite ill at the

George Kaddy, son of Mrs. Rebecca esumed his duties on the Boston Elerated, making his home in Dorcester.

Rhind, who has been boarding with them, has returned to his home in Boston, which the owner asks \$200.

Fitchburg, return here on Monday. returning to their schools

er, who have been visiting in this 122, Yes 18, section for the past week, returned Under Article 25 the town voted

Miss Alice Seaver.

all, but at this wriging is reported as mproving. Albert Wyman in his new business at

Dr. C. B. Shaw has been appointed listrict agent of the Society for the plant.

surance Co. Wedding cards were recently received by friends announcing the mar-

rlage of Miss Ina Wilder, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Walter E. Wilder, of the Center, former residents here, to Arthur W. Hyde, Jr. of Little Falls, N. Y., where the happy couple will make their home for the present.

LUNENBURG News Items.

The selectmen or a mized on Monday vening and chose Ernest K. Proctor chairman, and Endish L. Whiteomb, clerk. Mr. Proceed was reappointed superintendent of sheets, and nearly or quite all of the tenor officials were reappointed. The appointment of chief of police was postponed and only few minor police were appointed. Mrs. George F. Moody (Miss Emma Burrage) and little son, George F. Moody, Jr., of Washington, D. C., are

isiting her parents. Mr. and Mrs. W. H. Burrage. Last Sunday morning, at the Con-

gregational church, at the communion service, four people were received into membership, three by letter and one by confession of faith.

Annual Town Meeting.

Monday morning dawned bright and clear, and proved the forerunner of a cautiful, spring-like day for the third of March, the day appointed for the annual town meeting of Lunenburg. The hall was opened at 5.30 in the the veteran town clerk, began the reading of the town meeting warrant, Webstor was elected selectman over covering this article and report at the is being cared for at the home of his ficers Fred C. Smith. Edwin S. Marsh-

well, and Norman G. Bigelow of the board of registrars were in attendance. church Sunday at the Baptist church and the paster will take for his sub-Four men voted before the first electric car left for Fitchburg, Earle W. Lancey being the first one to deposit velt's nine reasons for attending a ballot, and George D. Harper the church services." A temperance service will be observed by the Y. P. S. C. left town, at 7.20, fifteen men had cast their votes.

All business, except veting for the town officers and upon the license their regular fornightly meeting on Monday afternoon at the home of Mra. George A. Seaver. The subject will be "John Burroughis—his life and works." in charge of Mrs. Alexander Reed. rington called the meeting to order with fifty voters present.

spending a few days in Boston, where Mr. Hodgman, who has been seriously ill, will be under the observation of a specialist, and Mr. and Mrs. Marcellus Hodgman, of Mason, N. H., are caring for the home during their absence.

The newly-arrived son of Mr. and Mrs. Chester Davis has been named Royal Fred. Davis.

The real of Whist club were appeared to the report of the selectimen was accepted. In the report of the overseers of the poor a clerical error had been made in stating the average cost per week for each inmate at the town farm. It should be \$5,71, instead of \$7.23. When this was explained by Chafrman Proctor the report of the selectimen was accepted. In the report of the overseers of the poor a clerical error had been made in stating the average cost per week for each inmate at the town farm. It should be \$5,71, instead of \$7.23. When this was explained by Chafrman Proctor the report of the overseers of the poor a clerical error had been made in stating the average cost per week for each inmate at the town farm. It should be \$5,71, instead of \$7.23. When this was explained by Chafrman Proctor the service of the overseers of the poor a clerical error had been made in stating the average cost per week for each inmate at the town farm. pending a few days in Boston, where .The Ladies' Whist club were entercollectors, town clerk, treasurer, tree warden, library trustees and school committee were accepted, but the report of the municipal light commistained on Thursday afternoon at the home of Mrs. R. S. Ely, Mrs. Alden A. Sherwin being the hostess. sion was laid on the table until the afternoon. The auditor's report brought up some talk; questions were At the meeting of steamer company ing Roy Brown resigned from his posi-tion as first assistant of the company, and Mervin Wares was appointed in his place. Foreman Henry B. Hathasked, and that was laid on the table mtil the afternoon.

Articles 6, 8 and 10 called for appropriations of money for Memorial day, Old Home Week and band con-certs, and \$250 was appropriated. The way also appointed the following call men for brush fires: George Richardson, Richard Rusk, Mervin Wares, Chester Shaw and George Wyman. elebration of the 200th anniversary of the settlement of the town has been George Adams, from Leominster. talked of considerably during the last spent the week-end at the home of few weeks, and under Article 9 it was Mr. and Mrs. Frank Boutelle, Bayberty hill, and Mr. Litch, of Cattaraugus, N. Y., has also been a recent guest at voted to celebrate and appropriate money for that purpose. Many have thought it would be a fine idea to combine the celebration of Old Home Week, the 200th anniversary and the Mrs. Sarah Waters and her sister, Miss Caller, who have been spending return of our boys who have been in the service on land and sea in the the service on land and sea in the great war. H. O. Mead moved that the 200th anniversary be celebrated in connection with Old Home Week and it was carried. J. A. Litchfield moved to combine with this celebration the neception to returning soldiers, sailor and marines, and it was so voted.

The subject of schools and school nurse was then taken up and brought out much discussion, resulting in voting the appropriation recommended of

A tiny baby son arrived on Satur-the following result: Highways \$3500, day night at the home of Mr. and in addition to the excise tax, snow expense \$500, town officers \$1800, general expense \$1300, enforcement of law \$800, interest on notes \$550, fire ex-pense \$300, inspection of meat and cattle \$600, Ritter library \$400 and dog tax, Memorial day \$150, Old Home Week \$100, band concerts \$200, celebration of 200th anniversary and wel-come to returning soldiers and sailors \$200 to be expended under direction of selectmen, for suitable memorial to be presented to each returning sol-dier and sailor \$100, cemeteries \$400, cutting brush at the roadsides \$150.

Voted to pay the tax collector 1 percent for collections; to accept \$100

each for the care of the five lots in the North and South cemeteries; later, t was voted to raise and appropriate nome of her sister, Mrs. Fred Coburn, seen considering the street, Lowell.

32816 for the municipal light depart, ment as required by law; voted to appear to the constant of the street. ment as required by law; voted to appropriate \$379.91 to cover the over-Kaddy of this village, who has been draft of 1918, and \$200 for the use of stationed at a camp in Georgia, has the tree warden in trimming trees in received an honorable discharge and various parts of the town.

Five articles in regard to additional street lights were voted down or pass-

Mrs. Mae Stetson, who is employed at Nashua, spent a few days with her mother, Mrs. Mary Forsythe, at the home of G. M. Streeter. Donald Mc-killup, who has been boarding with the board of the corner of Leominster tendent of streets explaining that it would take 5138 feet of land for

Miss Marie Lewis spent the weekend at her home in West Berlin and
James L. Harrington; selections and
James L. Harrington; selections and assessor 3 years, Ernest K. Proctor town Cerk, treasurer and tax collechere on Monday.

At town meeting on Monday Clarence L. Webster received the election as selectman for this end of town, defeating the present officer, George H. Tenney, and Henry B. Hathaway was reflected as constable for this village.

Mrs. Ivers P. Shewin and son Roya. Mrs. Ivers P. Sherwin and son Rog- Gowell; vote on license question, No

he reading-room last Saturday for eral agreed with Messrs, Mead and Johnson that the selectmen should first find a customer, then report the price offered before vering to sell---y vote this week at his home on Bayberry offered before voting to sellwhich would cost the town at least \$5900, W. C. Johnson said. The selectmen were then instructed to see what price can be obtained for the plant and report at a special meeting. It will then require another two-thirds vote at that needing to dispose of th

Dr. R. S. Ely recently received a medal in recognition of his faithful services for ten years as medical examiner for the Metropolitan Life Insurance Co.

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Saturday, March 8, 1919

GROTON

The Middlesex-Worcester Pomons Grange met at Lunenburg Thursday. March 6. An interesting program was arranged for the day. The master of Lunenburg Grange gave the opening address of welcome; reading, Miss Ruth Burrage; What is the greatest need of the Massachusetts farmer to-day? Carl R. Harrington; reading, Edwin Marshall; address, Wilfred Wheeler, secretary of the state board of agriculture; reading, Mrs. Olive Wilson; address, Rev. F. W. Lambertson of the Congregational church, Lit-tleton; reading, Miss Elizabeth Tarbell. The music was in charge of the bell. The mast and a large through the Lunenburg Grange. The day was ideal overhead, but the traveling was extremely poor, which prevented many from attending.

Mrs. Hattie Goodrich of Upton has been visiting a few days with Mrs. Ar-thur Sargent. She returned home

The Neighborhood club met Wed nesday afternoon with Mrs. Thomas Clough. There were a good number present who responded to the roll call with quotations. While the club memwith quotations. While the club members were actively engaged in sewing on Red (Cross garments. Mrs. Putnam read an interesting story entitled, "On the histallment plan." Dainty refreshments were served and a social hour followed. The next meeting will be March 19 at the home of Mrs. Fred May Fred May.

A very delightful afternoon was en-joyed last week Friday at the Woman's club when Mrs. Laura Richards entertained the ladies with the reading of selections taken from her own The first selection was taken from "The wooing of Calvin Parks." The second was a group of short fables, then followed the selection en-titled, "The windows." Her recita-"The rocking-horse song," was then given. The last number was a selection entitled, "Bethesda Pool," The music of the afternoon consisted of violin duets by Mrs. Sabine and Miss Lawrence with Miss Harriet Lawrence at the piano. The next meeting of the club will be on Friday, 15, at 7,30. Tickets sold for February meeting of the club will be on Friday, 15, at 7,30. Tickets sold for February Merch 14. The entertainment will be 24 will be honored at its presentation in charge of Mrs. Charles B. Ames.

The parties in the military whist scries at Oddfellows' hall have been arranged for the following dates: March 11, 25, April 22 and 29. Gents' parties, April 3 and 17.

Charles H. Chapman of Winchester Death, spent the day Thursday with his sister, Mrs. A. B. Farwell.

20 in Manchester, N. H., at the home of his adopted daughter, Mrs. Ralph O. Reed, where he and his wife were spending the winter. His age was 79 years and 11 months. He is survived Mrs. James Woolley of East Boston. The funeral was held at his late home in Townsend on Sunday, February 23.

will be the regular meeting of the Grange when Albert R. Jenks, agent for the Middlesex County Bureau of Agriculture, will be present to speak on the subject of apples. His talk will be devoted principally to the planting of apple orchards. The Grange has invited Mr. Jenks to come and speak on this subject and it is hoped that a large audience will avail themselves of the opportunity of hearing him. Everybody is invited to come and bring their friends. A Grange journal with original articles containing personals, hits on members, poems and stories will be read; also, vocal and instrumental numbers

The entertainment given in the town hall on Tuesday evening by Peter Mchall on Tuesday evening by reter are-Queen was largely attended. His il-luminating lecture on "The war and the peace," delighted his audience and his bright witty remarks brought forth frequent applause.

will be given.

Proctor's Strand presents this Saturday in Ayer Mabel Normand in "Sis Hopkins." The drama, "Hidden Hopkins." Sures," and latest Gaumont News. Surday at six and eight p. m., Mme. Petrova in "The Life Mask."

Friday afternoon the ladies of the Book and Thimble club met at the home of Mrs. Lewis Clark, where they spent a few hours in social intercourse "Longfellow.

Miss Hannah Hallissey is anticipat ing a week's visit with her sister, Mrs. James, of Salem. She plans to leave Groton next Tuesday.

The next meeting of the Woman's club will be i'riday afternaen, March 14, when the chairman, Mrs. Charles B. Ames, is expecting a troupe from Virginia, which will entertain the club members with a first class monstrel

William Gay, son of Mr. and Mrs. H. H. Gay, in his last letter writes that he is well and is not far from Parls. He with his comrades had the pleasure of recently attending a church rervice where Chaplain Malcoim Pears not the custom years ago.

West Groton. hody, son of Rev. Endicott Prabody.

was the speaker. Mrs. Sarah Wood, who is with her daughter, Mrs. Edwin Shattuck, has een enjoying a several days' visit from her son, Henry Sanderson, of

Westfield. On Monday evening, March 17, there will be a dancing party in the town hall, given by the young men. Newall's orchestra of six pieces will furnish the

to Miss Antoinette Lahm, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. L. D. Lahm of Carlisle, which took place Tuesday, March 4. Mrs. Warren Wetherbee of Town send was the guest of Mrs. Fannie B

Voods last Friday. A military whist party was held in Oddfellows' hall last week Tuesday evening. About forty attended and a pleasant time was reported.

Miss Virginia Woods of Quincy was recently at home enjoying a week's vacation with her parents, Mr. and Mrs. Nesbit Woods.

The house formerly occupied by Herbert Taylor, is now the home of Mr. Poore and family, who previously lived in the mill district.

The pussy willows are in bloom. Howard Raddin, who is stationed at fort Andrews, Boston harbor, as sec retary of the Y. M. C. A., has been enjoying a short furlough with relaives in town.

Mrs. Theron W. Titus of Ayer was perated on for appendicitis last week Thursday at the Groton hospital. The operation was performed by Dr. Ford in charge of the hospital during the absence of Dr. Kilbourn. Mrs. Titus was resting comfortably at the last

Mrs. William H. Bruce entertained Miss Mildred Nichols of Everett over

last week-end. Mr. Irving of Hollis street spent last Wednesday in Newton, it being the seventy-ninth birthday anniversary of his brother James. The house was artistically decorated with draperics. candles and cut flowers. The color scheme was in pink. Mr. Irving re The color turned to the home of his daughter, Mrs. Everett Hudson, and reports a very pleasant time.

Morning worship at the Baptist church at 10.30; subject, "Christ in Evening service at seven A service of singing gospel music; subject, "The place of music in spreading the gospel." If you enjoy singing hymns come.

Harvey Woods has returned from Dr. Ayres' hospital, where he has been the past two weeks. He has been benefited by the change. Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Woods and baby were at home ver the week-end.

On February 17, a son, Warren Guy, was born to Mr. and Mrs. Guy Will-oughby of Manchester, N. H. Mrs. Willoughby was formerly Miss Anna Patterson of this town.

Mrs. Odber Folkins, who has been sick several weeks, is steadily gaining in strength and was able to attend the lecture in hall Tuesday evening.

Miss Elsie Shattuck with her friend Miss Carrie Davis, spent the week-end with friends in Boston and Cambridge

The senior class of the high school will have a May party in the town hall on Friday evening, May 2. Owing to the fact that one of the leading characters in "A pair of sixes" was taken ill with chicken-pox just before the performance, the Groton School Dramatic association were compelled to postpone the play to a later date, Saturday evening, March 15, at 7.30. Tickets sold for February on March 15,

Miss R.-M. Graham invites the public to her spring opening of millinery on March 10 and 11. Street floor, Barry block, Ayer, Mass.

James Starr, of Green Cove Springs, Fla., passed away very suddenly at his home on Tuesday, February 18.

Herbert Warren, whose face and body wore badly bruised from a fall while at work in West Groton, has returned home from Dr. Ayres' hospital. Where he has been since the accident. Henry Burton Hildreth, who was born in Groton, but moved to Townsend at an early age, died February 20 in Manchester, N. H., at the home

Mr. Starr was a contractor for the digging of artesian wells.

About Town.

The Lawrence Park place on Pow derhouse road has been leased to Mrs. Moseley Hale's father for the summer. William A. Lawrence and family have been spending some time in

akewood, N. J. Miss Emily Brigham, of Washington, sister of Mrs. Ellen M. Needham, is stopping at Groton Inn for a few weeks. She will summer in Andover.

Mrs. Willard Tolles' aunt, Mrs. Ann Carkin, of Nashua, who has been with her for the past month, passed away on February 27 after a long illness. She was the only sister of Mrs. N. C. Anderson and had been a life-long resident of Nashua, where funeral services were held. The burial was in Tyngshoro. Her age was seventy-four

A number from Groton Grange attended the competitive meeting of rescott Grange, Pepperell, last week Friday evening and report a fine time. Mrs. Jennie K, Hemenway was home

Groton Grange is expecting an ex- price charged is extortionate. as those in charge are always depend-

The friends of G. H. McKee ate glad to see him on the street again

David E. Murphy has moved and it is reported that the place he formerly occupied is to be used for stock form, Grant W. Shattuck is ill and

quired the services of a physician Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Dill, of Manchester, N. H., will celebrate their twenty-fifth anniversary at their hon-on Monday, March 10. Mrs. Dill wi be remembered as Miss Leora Simond She was the first one to graduate from the high school and the orly

Guy Swallow has been home from his work in Nashua recuperating rom an attack of influenza. He returned to Nashua this week, though hardly able.

A pleasing program is assured at the Woman's club on March 14, as it is in the hands of the music section. Mrs. Marion Ames, chairman.

Mrs. Charles B. Eddy has been conto her bed for two weeks, having influenza. She is not yet able to sit

ning was in charge of the gentlemen of the church and was a great success. The play, "April fool," was much enjoyed. Those taking part were James T. Bennett, Charles B. Ames and Roy Cunningham. Much

Mrs. Mark H. Blood gave her brother Robert a birthday party last Thursday afternoon, he being thirteen years old. A merry time was reported. The marriage of George Floyd is one

of the latest items. His wife is a Chelmsford girl. The annual parish meeting of the Unitarian parish will be held in the

vestry on Monday evening at 7.30.

To the Editor: The people of Groton are quite properly congratulating themselves on the prospect of new and better roads. The ction of Frank A. Torrey in petitioning the county commissioners for a hearing on the Farmers' row road is the subject of much comment. In view of the fact that the town voted to spend up to \$75,000 on the Farmto spend up to \$1,000 oil the a political trick to ask the county to participate. After talking to Mr. Torrey I am glad to find that his action is due solely to a sincere desire to save the town money. His action also shows that he couples an independent spirit with his good judgment. I refer to the fact that Selectman McKee spoke disparagingly of my action in petitioning for a hearing on the Boston road and now that Mr. Torrey has followed my example in regard to the Farmers' row road and thus made the two petitions a foint matter, it certainly looks as if he had disregarded politics and is now working for the betterment of

We all are agreed that Groton needs these two roads and the only question is how soon shall we see work com-menced and the roads completed: Moseley Hale Speed the day.

The Milk Situation.

The milk market is always a cause of much worry to the dairy farmer and is doubly so at the present time and is doubly so at the present time, owing to the large surplus in the market. Milk conditions in Boston generally control this locality, but since the advent of the army cantonment in Ayer a big milk market cen-ter has developed here. With the decer has developed here. With the de-crease in population at the camp the demand for milk has fallen off to an extent that makes the situation seri-ous for local milk producers. Men who formerly shipped to Boston and who have here salling locally since. who formerly snipped to boston and rington is a graquate of Groton high who have been selling locally since the establishment of the camp are After leaving school he was with now turning back to Boston and are confronted with a glutted market and brockline. He remained with them are finding much difficulty in selling heir milk.

price of milk up to a figure undreamed of three years ago, and that high price has undoubtedly caused many made good wherever he has been sit-War conditions have sent the retail people to reduce their milk consump-tion. The farmer has found that his costs of production have risen to a greater extent than the rise in the price he receives. Briefly, he is behe reduces the price of milk he canfor flome en route to Constantinople
for make a profit, and if he continues on January 31. The party spent about the present price he cannot sell his milk. In such a situation one can hardly blame him if he does, as many are seriously considering doing, quit dairying and engage in other lines of

farming.
Two solutions of the difficulty may

earnest workers, Mrs. Starr having served as lecturer and master.

Mr. Starr was a contractor for purchase of an established creamery business and plant; the intention is to He spent take care of the surplus milk and years and 11 months. He is survived by a widow, an adopted daughter, Mrs. Reed, a brother, Charles W. Hildreth of Townsend and two sisters, Mrs. Susie Turner of Orlando, Fla., and Its sole of East Boston. He is survived by his widow, an unusually brilliant, attractive woman, who has given freely to the public of her entertaining talents. She has the brange when Albert R. Jenks, agent to the public of the grange when Albert R. Jenks, agent to the public of the grange when Albert R. Jenks, agent to the public of the grange when Albert R. Jenks, agent to the public of the grange when Albert R. Jenks, agent to the public of the grange when Albert R. Jenks, agent to the public of the public of the grange when Albert R. Jenks, agent to the public of th

The present price of milk paid to the farmer is due solely to the efforts of this organization, and the farmer ho is selling independently is benetting by it, while at the same time is independent sale is acting as a itting by it. triment to the object of the asso-ation. The milk dealers act as a ia tion. it and to get a square deal the milk roducers must do likewise. The resent milk problem would be great-

simplified if every producer belongto the association. The second solution, educating the nsumer as to the proper place of and evening prayer and the litany at lik in the list of foods, and therefore 7.30. nilk in the list of foods, and thereby simulating an increased demand for ilk, hinges largely on the success of The milk producers' ac- at calling public attention to the food ue of milk, and with an increased

a wider campaign in this direc-State Board of Agriculture and B. rds of health are constantly urging greater use of milk for adults as Mrs. Jennie K. Hemenway was home well as bables. The average housever Sunday, returning to her duties holder objects to being "stuck" and in Shrewsbury on Monday afternoon. will not buy an article for long if the The cellent program on Tuesday evening, impress on is prevalent in the cities is too high in price, and that the farmer is getting rich by an everiment profit on milk. Teach the oner the true nutriment value of prove that the price asked is

worked upon.

A K of C building Tocated in the producers' association and co-operate selling. In union there is selling. In union there is the is just as true as it ever was. Richard M. Shaw.

William Kane has received his disbarge from the navy and is spending some time with his parents, Mr. and Mrs. P. W. Kane.

Miss Lizzie Jarvis, of North Attleoro, was in town visiting relatives last week

The Ladies' Aid society spent a very pleasant afternoon with Mrs. G. H. Bixby on last Thursday. After an hour or more of sewing a short business meeting was held. A committee was chosen to plan for a supper this week Friday evening. After the sewing a short business meeting delicious Friends of George A. Floyd, son of Mr. and Mrs. Walter Floyd, have received announcements of his marriage Unitarian vestry on last Thursday every refreshments were served. The next

meeting will be held at the home of hospital the K. of C. have mapped out Mrs. A. W. Lamb on Thursday after-plans to provide not only the usual Mrs. A. W. Lam'noon, March 13.

The scout entertainment was well al or attended. The children sang and read papers about Washington. Lincoln and weath credit is due them for their faithful Roosevelt. These papers were illustattendance at rehearsals, where they trated by slides. Mrs. Sabine and Miss were coached by Mrs. Funnie E. Samp-Geraldine Lawrence were very heartily welcomed. One and all enjoyed their fine violin music. Mrs. Lawrence accompanied her daughters at the plane Dr. Ford and Dr. Harding gave very interesting talks about their experiences in France, where they served with the British army.

A social dance was held in Squan-nacook hall on last week Friday evening. The music was from Fitchburg and nearly all of the dancers were out of town people. Lee Bixby received his discharge

from the army last Saturday. Mr. and Mrs. Bixby have been furnishing their cottage in Groton and on Monday they took up their residence there. The Red Cross auxiliary gave a military whist party on Monday evening to all in the village who cared to at-tend. There were eighteen tables and the players were divided into two sec The table that captured the greatest number of flags and had a

score of seventy-five, received for prizes, ladies' boxes of chocolates; men, pocket mirror and comb cases. Mr. Malley, Mr. Rivard, Mrs. Malley and Mrs. Sherwin were the fortunate winners. The consolation prizes were veretable roses for the ladies and cake of soap each for the men—Mr. Northampton and other places, as well Severance, Mr. Toomey, Miss Gorman as the lodges of Elks have signified and Miss Dunphy. Refreshments of their willingness to co-operate with ice cream, cake and fancy cookies were the K. of C. authorities at Camp Development. Dancing was enjoyed for a constant this regard, and many happy short time.

Mr. and Mrs. Richard Lawrence, of Fitchburg, and Miss Charlotte Seavey, of Boston, were guests at Charles Lawrence's on Saturday and Sunday: Mrs. Alfred Bunn, of Leominster

isited in town on Monday. Fernald and Freemont Nichols, of lowell, were in town recently to see their grandfather, Rufus Burgess, who has been ill for several weeks.

owning aluminum mines. At the present time he is directing the building of a railroad from the mines to the dock at Georgetown. Mr. Harrington is a graduate of Groton high for fourteen years, when he left to go into business for himself at Long Island, N. Y., and was presented with

Miss Elsie Tarbell has accepted the position as secretary to William Peet, who is the financial head of the price he receives. Briefly, he is be- American Commission for Relief in tween the devil and the deep sea. If the Near East. Miss Tarbell left Paris a week in Rome. Letters and carde have been received, dated February from Rome. Miss Tarbell has not been released from the Red Cross, but has been loaned to the commission

> Clarence Thompson spent Monday n Boston, Miss Olive Tarbell writes from Paris

that Edwin Sampson and Cedric Hodgman have called upon her at Red Cross headquarters while they were having a few days leave of abence from their regiments.

A telegram was received last urday from Corp. Cadwell F. Bliss tell-ing of his safe arrival in New York from overseas. He arrived on the British Cunarder Aquitania, which made a record trip in six days and was one of those who saw the collision with the freighter Lord Dufferin off Bedloe's Island.

AYER

St. Andrew's Church. The service at St. Andrew's church on Sunday morning at 10.30 will be morning prayer and sermon. The preacher will be Rev. Angus Dun. This will be Mr. Dun's last Sunday in Ayer, as he leaves on Monday morning for New York.

Ash Wednesday was observed at St. Andrew's by a celebration of the holy communion at 8.30 in the morning.

On Thursday evening a meeting of he wardens and vestrymen was held the home of the senior warden, lation has already done much work Judge Sanderson, to make plans for the securing of a new vicar.

mbership would have more money Unitarian Church.

Sunday services-10.45, regular ofces and sermon. Preacher, Rev. Frank Crandall, the minister; subject, "Temptation and victory—lessons from the temptation story." Church school

7,36-Evening prayer and sermon Music by the choir of the First church in Leominster; preacher, Rev. Benjamin Bulkeley, First church, Leomin-ster; subject, "Larger visions and larger living."

and the demand will very soon the supply: the dairy industry then come into its own and the tant prosperity will do much to the drudgery out of being "tied Knights of Columbus have formulated

> ed and convalescent men who arrive in this camp from "over there." Games, light reading matter, as well as entertainments of just the required kind, will be provided. The slogan, "Everybody welcome everything "Everybody welcome everything free," will be the watchword at this free," ouilding, as in every other Knights of Columbus center in Camp Devens. The musical director of the Eastern Northeastern Department will give particular attention to the special entertainment work among the returned men. Trained and experienced secretaries will be on duty in the Depot Brigade so that every possible service within the power of the Knights of Columbus to give, will be rendered.

forms of camp comforts, but additional ones. Special cars will take the men out for drives whenever the weather conditions permit.

In the K. of C. buildings set asid for the use of casualties, facilities will be provided for the educational work mapped out and fostered by Major General McCain, the camp command ant. This work may consist either of light athletic work, or academic work General McCain will decide the type of activity he wants, and the Knights of Columbus will do their itmost to carry out the general's wishes, Knights of Columbus building No. has now been officially included in

the base hospital grounds, and this the base nospital grounds, and this K. of C. hut is being fitted out with a music room, reading room and other attractions for the boys. The plazza of this hut is to be enlarged, and lounges, rugs, etc., are being provided. A walk is being cut through the grounds to the Knights of Columbus building, and lawns are to be planted in the near future. The site of this K. of C. hut is one of particular attractiveness, and this enhances its value as a "home of rest" for the sick and wounded. Knights of Columbus councils in the state are to be asked to follow the example of Lowell, Hol yoke and its City Hall Minstrels under Mayor Ryan, who have so generously given of their time and energy to the entertaining of the boys at Devens The Knights of Columbus councils in Vorthampton and other places, as wel evenings are to be arranged in the im mediate future.

Now that work among the return ing soldiers is taking definite shape at Devens the Knights of Columbus field force is kept busy meeting the de-mends of the moment. The various K. of C. buildings are also turned over n. of C. buildings are also turned over from time to time to the commanding officers of the various units now com-prising the established personnel of the camp. At the main Knights of Columbus building the Department of Mrs. Roscoe Harrington sailed on March 4 to join her husband at t Georgetown, British Guiana, Mr. Harrington left several months ago for South America. He is a civil engineer and is in the employ of a company owning aluminum mines. At the present time he is a civil engineer at all the Total and a several months ago for south America. He is a civil engineer and is in the employ of a company owning aluminum mines. At the

The following field force of Knights The following field force of knights of Columbus secretaries is now on duty at Camp Devens, engaged in various phases of the order's work among the returning soldiers and the permanent personnel of the camp: William Development of the Campic William E. Kerish Hamilton Canada: liam E. Kerrish, Hamilton, Canada; Timothy Shea, Springfield: Thomas Fryer, Edgewood, N. J.; John Duane, Boston; William Moran, Fall River; John Long, Portsmouth, N. H.; Geo. Murphy Holyoke: Fred F Guet New Murphy, Holyoke; Fred F. Gust, New York city; Patrick Conley, Portland Me.; Arthur Tetreault, Providence, R I.; John Corrigan, Boston; Charles Jacks, Oswego, N. Y.; Joseph Murphy Fall River; John J. McMahon, Lowell

WESTFORD

bout Town

F Battery of the 54th Coast Artillery, consisting of 10 officers and 230 men, and eight casual companies, four of them made from Massachusetts, and other troops, will arrive in Boston aboard the Battleship Nebraska on March 9, according to a telegram received at the Northeastern Department from Washington. Albert Tallent will arrive with Battery F, although he en-listed from Pelham, N. H. He is well known it Westford, his uncle, Eben Tallent, formerly owned the farm on Stony Brook road now owned by W. R. Taylor. He also has a sister in town, Mrs. William J. Parfitt, on the lowell road.

Ice on Forge pond was reported as sixteen inches thick on March 6.

Battery B of the 54th Artillery was expected to land in Boston on the Vedic, Friday. It is planned to land them at Commonwealth docks and send them to Camp Devens by way of Framingham. Walter Cutter, the well-known and genial conductor-motorman on the electric line from West-ford to Brookside, is expected home

is a member of Battery B. Mrs. Josiah W. Blodgett is ill with nuemonia at her home on Millstone

Last Saturday the electric car lay dead at Banister's corner and remain ed there until another car was sent from Ayer several hours later.

Charles W. Whitney was in town n Monday, renewing and exchanging hose old familiar smiles. It does one good to mix it with him in the oldin a reciprocity smile business,

Miss Lillian G. Wright, teacher in the Sargent school in Graniteville, is ill with scarlet fever at her home on the Groton road.

Lieut, Leroy Whitman Bond, of the Coast Artillery Corps, Fort Monroe, a graduated of Worcester Polytechnic in 1918, and Miss Florence Marion Wright, daughter of ex-Mayor and Mrs. George M. Wright, were married Wednesday evening at the home of the heide in Worcester, by Rev. Edgar bride in Worcester by Rev. Edgar Preble of the Universalist church in Charlton. The bride is a niece of Nahum H. Wright, former town treas-urer, and cousin of Harwood L wright, the present town treasurer, and granddaughter of Mr. and Mrs. George Wright, so well known to Westford people. Lieut. and Mrs. Bond will make their home in Alberta, where Lieut. Bond will be associated with his father in the man-agement of a large wheat ranch,

The electric car again became stalled on Thursday at Brookside and tied up the afternoon traffic.

LITTLETON

Dr James D. Christle has decided accept an offer from Dr. Warren of orcester to share general practice that city and he will also do operaive work in the hospital. This appears to be a very promising opening for the doctor and greatly as we regret his removal and that of his wife from our town where both have filled o large a place in many ways, we wish them Godspeed in their new under-

within the power of the Knights of Columbus to give, will be rendered.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. State House, Boston, March 6,
1919. The committee on Public Health
will give a hearing to parties interested
in House No. 1334, relative to the disposal of sewerage for such parts of the
town of Ayer as are in need of sewerage: and H. 1335, relative to the improvement of Hale's brook in the city
of Lowell,—at room No. 362. State
House, on Wednesday, March 12, at 10
o'clock A. M. George B. Chamberlain.
Chairman, H. R. Sackett, Clerk of the

CARD OF THANKS

We wish to express our sincere thanks to the many friends who helped alleviate our sorrow by expressions of sympathy, floral tributes and spiritual offerings in our recent bereavement.

Ayer, Mass., March 6, 1919.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlesex. ss. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of CHARLES F. BIRD late of Pepperell in said County, deceased.

Wherens MARIA W. BIRD administratify of the estate of said deceased, has presented to said Court her petition for license to sell at private sale, in accordance with the offer named in accordance with the offer named in said petition, or upon such terms as may be adjudged best, the whole of a certain parcel of the real estate of said deceased for the payment of debts, and charges of administration, and for other reasons set forth in said petition. You are heroby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge in said County, on the twenty-fourth day of March A. D. 1919, at hine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

them Godspeed in their new undertaking.

The schools will close March 14 for a week of vacation and the spring a week of vacation and the spring term will open March 24.

The Catholic Mission whist party last Saturday evening netted \$47.50 in cash and a right good time for every-body present. There was plenty of candy, cake and coffee, and twenty-three tables for whist. The enter-tainment may certainly be described in terms of unqualified success.

You have, why the same should not be cranted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy thereof to each person interested in the same should not be cranted.

And said petitioner is ordered to serve this citation by delivering a copy to extend the country that country and said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive pour law, or by publishing the same once in each week for three successive publication to be one day, at least, before said Court.

Witness Charles J. McIntire, Esquire.

First Judge of said Court, this fifth day of March in the year one thousand nine that the property of the country and the same should not be carned.

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ess than three hundred white inhabitants.

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AYER

March 25, were made.

Harry K. Lynch attended the banquet given last Wednesday evening in Symphony hall, Boston, by the Dart-mouth Alumni, of which he is a member, for the paying of tribute to the returning soldiers.

as a distributing point for their east-ern trade.

Johnson, Jesse McGregor, Ruth Grif-fin, Edith McCarthy, Helen Stone and

The Mohawk Camp Fire Girls will Christine Maloney.

Last Saturday evening Caleb Wood, of Worcester, was observed to be act-ing strangely in Railroad square and investigated. He had been having trouble with his wife and daughter in Worcester and the wife had left for her home in Brookline, N. H. He had set out after her and it was discovered that he was carrying a loaded revolver and a supply of cartridges. His family relations were so hadly mixed that he was found guilty of carrying concealed weapons and held for the Worcester Central court on a more serious charge. Officer Pirone took the man to Worcester, where he is confined, are welcome. awaiting trial.

Mrs. Patrick Donion, who has been confined to her home for the past few weeks with influenza, is reported as recovering.

Mrs. T. W. Titus, who was operated on last week Wednesday at the Groton hospital for appendicitis, is now out of danger and slowly improving. W. L. Preble has been confined to his home for the past few days with

a slight illness. Wilfred H. Lord, of Nashua, and formerly of Ayer, confessed to the murder of his wife and has been senenced to life imprisonment by the Hillsboro County superior criminal

liams street. The Misses Emma and Helen Kinney will be the hostesses.

Rev. Frank B. Crandall was in New-Rev. Frank B. Crandall was in New-buryport Tuesday, where he gave an address before the Alliance of the First Parish church. On Thursday he attended a meeting in Lowell of Uni-tarian clergy of this district at which Rev. William L. Sullivan, S.T.L., D. D., of All Souls' church (Unitarian) of New York city gave the address.

Rev. Albert Clark, son of the late Rev. Lyman Clark, former minister of the First Unitarian Parish, is in town this week visiting his mother, brother this week visiting his mother, brother and sister at their home on Washington street. Rev. Mr. Clark was in Belgium with the Relief Commission early in the war. Later he went to France. He has just returned after over a year's service. He will return to Schenectady, N. Y., and resume his position as chief welfare secretary with the General Electric Company.

At the meeting of George S. Boutwell W. R. C. held Thursday evening in Hardy's hall Miss Ethel Wood, who has been ill in a hospital in Manches-ter, N. H., was reported much better An honorable discharge was granted one member. Middlesex county as-sociation will meet in Cambridgeport March 25. The auditing committee will meet at eight p. m., March 27, at the home of the treasurer, Mrs. Nina B. Lovejoy, East Main street.

It must be a good brand our friend of the American uses, to have writ-ten the robbery story in the Boston American of Thursday out of whole cloth. There was no robbery or any cloth. There was no robbery or any attempt at robbery, neither was it the pleasure of any of the parties mentioned to know anything whatsoever of the purposes of the state police, if there were any here.

Mrs. Catherine Howe Markham, who has been ill for the past few weeks, died last Sunday at her home. The funeral took place on Tuesday. Mrs. Markham was born in Ireland in 1872. She had been a resident of this town for almost fifty years, and made who has been ill for the past few weeks died last Sunday at her home. The funeral took place on Tuesday. town for almost fifty years, and made many friends in town. She leaves two sons, John L., local postmaster, and Michael E., manager of the U. S. Conservation Company, and three daughservation Company, and three daugh-ters, Elizabeth, Mary and Mrs. Kath-erine G. Davin; also, two grandchildren, John A. and Edward Markham. She was buried with high mass of requiem, Fr. Reardon of Groton officiating, and Fr. McGinn giving prayers at the grave in St. Mary's cemetery. There were many beautiful floral and

The Mohawk Camp Fire Girls held a business meeting at the home of Evelyn Johnson on Wednesday even-ing. Their next meeting will be a ing. Their next meeting will be a Rev. Charles and "meeting and is to be held Grace Episcopal church, New York, with the Misses Mary and Elizabeth formerly vicar of St. Androw's church Cleary next Wednesday evening.

At a meeting of the board of selectmen on Wednesday evening the quesmen on Wednesday evening the division of Sunday motion picture shows tion of Sunday motion picture shows to provides that there shall be no one in the pulpit or chancel, and that by the was voted upon. Two hearings had was voted upon. Two hearings help of leaflets announcing the subject tion and both sides were given a the holp of leaflets announcing the subject for silent prayer, and the words of the hymns, the people in the pows will tend to allow Sunday motion pictures Sunday evenings from six to the hole of leaflets announcing the subject for silent prayer, and the words of the hymns, the people in the pows will feel that they are one under the leadership of the invisible Christ." Dr. Slattery also speaks of the insistent 10.30: It was also voted which provides that children under which provides that children under fourteen years of age be accompanied by adults over twenty-one years old, by adults over twenty-one years old, and that they shall sit with them durant with Mrs. Connected the entire performance, be entire performance, be entire performance, be entire performance, and refreshments completed It was also voted that the law

A letter received from the adjutantgeneral's office at Washington to the camp commander gave official notificamp commander gave official notifies. But the cation that the 26th division would be Myrtie E. Reade Rojas, daughter of sent here for discharge. The letter Mrs. C. D. Reade, formerly of this sent here for discharge. The letter Mrs. C. D. Reade, formerly of this sent that it was intended to use town. Burial in Lancaster. The sent here for discharge. The letter also said that it was intended to use Camp Devens as a demobilization camp for some time to come and that it would handle the discharge of about it would handle the discharge of about moved from Ayer many years ago. 12,000 men a month.

A hearing relative to the disposal of sowerage for such parts of the town of Ayer as are in need of sewerage will be held in room 362, State House, B. Turner, East Main street, Tuesday March 11 of these assets of the federated church will have a sewing meeting at the home of Mrs. Geo. Boston, Wednesday morning, March afternoon, March 11, at three o'clock

council voted an appropriation for the thing that can be given for the union return of the state police to this town fair, when completed. A full attendreturn of the state police to this town fair, when completed. A lull attendto take care of certain things that have arisen since their recall. It is expectarisen since their recall. It is expected that they will return early next

The concert of the state police to this town fair, when completed. A lull attended to the since they were reported, and has been since they were reported, and has been instrumental in uncovering many inthe high school concert.

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Married in Ayer, March 3, by Rev. kell; of East Rutherford, N. J., and ney and was entertained by Mrs. Whit-Marion B. Simpson, of New York city.

Go-to-church Sunday is to be ob-At a meeting of the men of the served on Sunday throughout Massa-Federated church on Thursday even chusetts. This is the first Sunday in ing plans for a chicken pie supper, to Lent. The ministers unite in inviting given by the men of the church on the people of Ayer to attend the church of their individual choice upon this day. The regular habit of church attendance is to be encouraged among our people. We trust this day may be an incentive to this end.

Work has been started on the old Haynes-Piper plant which is to be reconstructed into a storehouse for the Simonds Manufacturing Co. This company manufactures all kinds of hardware and will use this storehouse as a distributing point for their east.

On Thursday evening of last week Miss Edith Longley entertained a group of her girl music pupils. She was assisted by Misses Gertrude Stone and Marion Winslow. The evening was spent enjoying social and musical games. Ice cream and cake were served. Those present were Evelyn Johnson, Jesse McGregor, Ruth Grif-On Thursday evening of last week

The Mohawk Camp Fire Girls will hold a food sale in the yestry of the Federated church on Monday afternoon at 3.30.

The force of state police who have been in town since the advent of the camp, and who had headquarters in he building near the Soldiers' club on West street, left town last week Fri-day. Mrs. Sughrue, who is one of the force, and who has had her headquarters in the town hall, has also left. The town has had their careful attention during the past year and they secured a few convictions.

At the Christian Science services on Sunday morning at 10.30 in Turner's block the subject is "Man." The Wednesday evening meeting is held each week at 7.30. The reading and writng room is open daily from one to nine p. m. in Carley's new block. All

The officers of the Ayer District Sunday School association met last Monday in the Federation House and made arrangements for the annual spring Sunday school convention to be held in Ayer during the first week in May.

The usual good time was enjoyed by those who attended the dance given by the Girls' Patriotic league this week in Hardy's hall.

Miss Mary McManus, teacher of English in the high school, has been confined to her home in Concord this week because of liness.

Last Saturday evening the following members of Miss Edith Longley's music class were entertained in her court.

The Unitarian Girls' club will meet tin, Elizabeth Proctor, Marion, Willis, on Wednesday evening, March 12, at the home of Miss Emma Kinney, Willis, Desniege Balanger, Helen McGuane, Gladys Connety, Eva Pick-Marion Willis, Desniege Balanger, Helen McGuane, Gladys Connety, Eva Pick-Marion Wolferard, Alice Barrett, Katherine McNer ney, Corinne Cornellier and John Webb. The children were entertain-ed with games, and refreshments were served. Miss Longley was assisted by Misses Marion Winslow and Gertrude

> Ida McKinley chapter, O. E. S., will give a military whist party in Hardy's hall on the evening of March 14. The tickets may be secured from the paron and matron, E. H. Longley and Miss Lucy Wyman.

Stone

The main features for next week at Page hall theatre will be, on Monday, Annette Kellerman in a sub-sea spec Annette Keiterman in a subset speciacle, "Queen of the sea"; Tuesday, Olive Thomas in her latest, "Secret strings"; Wednesday, Francis X, Bushman in his latest, "Poor rich man"; Thursday, William Fox's super produc-Thursday, William Fox's super production, "Land of the free"; Friday, Alice Brady in her latest, "Hollow of her hand"; Saturday, Katherine and Jane Ece! (Lee Kids) in "Tell it to the marines," Roman cowboy comedy with Tom Mix and latest News. On Sunday evening March 9 there will he day evening, March 9, there will be two shows—six and eight o'clock.

George Fay and family moved into Shady Cottage, Sandy pond, this week Tuesday. Mrs. Fay was formerly Miss Minta Mosher. Mr. Fay has recently returned from France and his family have been living with Mrs. Harries have been living with Mrs. Harriet Mosher, Groton road.

The Unitarian Girls' club announce that they will give a cabaret in the town hall on the evening of March 19. Music will be furnished by a colored azz orchestra, and the cabaret talent will be from Boston. Tickets must be secured from members of the club. On Tuesday Miss Edith Longley en-

tertained the members of her music been in cluded in the two parties given by her Potter, Gertrude Madagan, Donald Griffin.

Word has been received by Mrs. Mattle Graves that her daughter, Mrs. Mamie Gately, has just arrived in New York from France. Mrs. Gately, formerly of this town, left Camp Upspiritual offerings as evidence of the sympathy and respect of her many friends. She will remain in Ayer for a short time and later return to her nursing friends" will be Alice Joyce, a very practice in Boston.

Rev. Charles L. Slattery, rector of of Ayer, says that "during Lent in wiss Madeline Hill, who has been New York a plan is under way to have speaker. Miss Ruth Mitchell will sing visiting at the home of her grand-united services in a single church in solos and there will be a violinist to each district, where Christian people lead the singing.

On Friday evening the entertain-New York a plan is under way to have may come together for common praise and slient prayer. The plan will be formally announced in a few days. It provides that there shall be no one help of leaflets announcing the subject Slattery also speaks of the insisten

Died in New York, February 26, Mrs

moved from Ayer many years ago. The Ladles' Benevolent society of 2. at ten o'clock.

It is understood that the executive own work and as far as possible some-

The Unitarian Alliance met Thursday afternoon with Mrs. Edward Whitwith Miss Ruth Griffin '20 as pianist.

ney, Mrs. Mary Harlow, Mrs. Sheldon, Mrs. Clara Burns and Mrs. Avis Fish. er. The principal thing in the afternoon was a business meeting. Plans were discussed for the various activ. ities of the church which just now are many and interesting. A cabaret and supper are coming off this month. Some plans were also made for the union fair which comes off in the late who took speaking parts were as follows. fall. Reports of the financial result

of the Washington birthday entertainment showed it to have been very satisfactory. The social period following the business was greatly enjoyed by the large number present. The hostesses made a generous contribution to the Alliance treasury,

Miss Bessle McGuane, the popular bookkeeper, was pleasantly surprised on Monday afternoon when at a gathering of the uniformed employees, in the office of the Lowell and Fitchburg street railway office, she was presented with a sum of money in recognition of her trouble in making up the back time of the men in the recent award of wages. A social hour was spent, with refreshments, including the passing around of Beechnut chewing gum. and many good natured expressions of approval.

The program for the high school rhetoricals this week Friday was as "O captain, my captain!" indrew; "Concord hymn," follows: Philip Andrew; Madeline Desmond: selection from "Helen's babies," Mary Ryan; "We shall not sleep," Eva Coughlin; "Goliath," Patrick Regan; "Your lad and my lad, Irene McCollester; Beethoven's "Moolight sonata," Beatrice Mo Guane; piano solo, Etta Green; "The revelation," Maurice Carlisle; "Hanquito," Charles Cornellier; "Willie goes out to lunch," Lillian Boisseau; "The minister's blunder," Evelyn Johnson; "Carry on," Elizabeth Cleary; "At the matinee," Ruth Huntington.

Miss Grace Butler spent the week-end visiting her home in Worcester Happy Jack Thrift club records fifty thrift stamps and one war stamp this

Other Ayer matter on opposite page.

Federated Church. Sunday will be observed as rally to the church day. Morning service at 10.30. Sunday school at twelve; H. G. Turner leader of the men's class. lustrated address by the pastor at six in the evening on South American missions. Young people's meeting at 6.30 with Raymond Miller as leader. Service at Federation House at 7.30 in the evening; speaker, Rev. Mr. Pease, of evening; speaker, Rev. Mr. Pease, of evening the hair months has

A special service will be held on next Thursday evening; preacher, Rev. Mr. Soule of the Y. M. C. A., Camp Devens. On Wednesday evening Chap-lain Slosser spoke on "Penitence," and an interesting Ash Wednesday service vas enjoyed. Mrs. Slosser sang. The pastor spoke at the Thursday evening service.

The Camp Fire Girls gave a social o the Boy Scouts last Saturday evening.

Plans for Cabarct.

Elaborate plans have been made by the committee in charge for the Girls club cabaret to be given on Wednes day, March 19, in the town hall. The committee plans to outdo their previous cabarets both in respect to decorations and talent. The committee, how ever, declines to give particulars con-cerning the scheme of decoration, as

they wish this feature to be a surprise.

Music for the dancing will be furnished by a colored jazz orchestra of six pieces, who have already achieved desire for domination. Apparently he fame in regimental entertainments in camp. A colored cabaret singer, who is a soldier at camp, will also contribute to the fun making. Harry Slamon, tenor, and Mrs. Rachel Slamof, the gentleman's unconscious joke on, soprano, church soloists from Bos-ton, will sing. Miss Juliette Stacey about as much chance of domination will render songs in costume. The feature of the program is Miss Alberta Tuttle, the well-known cabaret singer, whom the committee by great fortune should allay the suspicions of all prejudent the suspicions of all prejude

Posters done by Capt. George Moyse, Depot Brigade, Camp Devens, have been displayed to advertise the event. The church itself, as American citizens. Tickets may be secured from Mrs. George O. Fillebrown or Mrs. F. Vern aration was desirable in a democratic George O. Fillebrown or Mrs. F. Vern aration was desired accordingly.

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Federation House Notes.

News and Tom Sawyer on Saturday afternoon and evening. On Wednes-day evening of next week a Burton Holmes Travelogue of New Zealand and "A woman between friends." The star in Tom Sawyer will be Jack Pickford and the play is based on Mark Twain's great boy's story by that name. The star in "A woman between

On Sunday evening, at 7.30, there speaker. Miss Ruth Mitchell will sing

nent will be furnished by Miss Ida Pratt, of Lancaster. Miss Carolyn V. Tucker, hostess, has

returned to the house after two-weeks' Word has been received from Mrs.

Sara Gilson, until recently a hostess at the house. She arrived safely in Liverpool and was to sail in a few days for Brest.

On Tuesday evening the young peo ple held an interesting meeting in the vestry. A number of soldiers were

On Sunday morning the pastor will "The resolve of Joshua." speak on "The resolve of Joshua." Sunday school at twelve. Service of song at 6.45 in the evening, followed by preaching at seven o'clock. As this the goods being the property of the is church rally day a large attendance government and have used the stolen is church rally day a large attendance is looked for. Let everybody attend, B. Y. P. U. meeting on Tuesday

evening at 7.30. Mid-week prayer meeting on Thurs-day evening at 7.30.

was given under the direction of Miss Annie Paimer and Miss Marjorie Pat-

The feature of the entertainmen was a pageant, entitled "To arms for liberty," and was given by all the members of the school. All of the nations that composed the allies were lows, given in the order of appearance lows, given in the order of appearance Beiglum, Deris Dickerman: Britain, Marian Webb; France, Edith McCarthy; Italy, Gladys Porter; England, Mildred Pillman; Ireland, Marian Dwinell; Scotland, Edessa Crawford: Wales, Catherine Devarney Canada, Esther Washburn; India

Helen Graydon; Australia. Morse; New Zealand, Dorothy Car-man; Serbia, Hilda Osgood; Monte-negro, Josephine Fallon; Portugal, man; Serbia, Hilda Osgood; Monte-negro, Josephine Fallon; Portugal, Alice Rand; San Marino, Helen Stone; Roumania, Christine Maloney; Greece, Mildred McGuane; Russia, Ruth Huntington; Poland, Bentrice Mc-Guane; Japan, Gertrude Halloran; Faith, Pearl McMahan; Hope, Marguerite Rand: Charity, Helen Wood; Mercy, Myrtle Mullin; America, Beulah Hassam

Great credit is due Miss Palmer for the success of the musical numbers of the program, and to Miss Patter for the training given the cast and the selection of the costumes. can well be proud of its high school. After the concert dancing was en-joyed by the school and its guests. Music was furnished by Mudgett's orchestra, of Shirley.

W. C. C. S. Notes.

There is an unusually good program na's couriship." Helen Pender; "Miss at the Soldiers' club, West street, this Maloney on the Chinese question," week. The usual dances are to be Margaret Murray; "Man and the mosheld on Wednesday and Friday nights. On Saturday, March 8, the Camp Rep ertoire Co. will present the light opera, "Pinafore," at 7.15. The entertainment Sunday evening will consist of musical program by choristers from Temple Adath Israel. Miss Gladys Lott of Boston, who has done much entertaining in camps will give readngs and songs on Tuesday, March 11. The concert by the Crosby orches-

tra of Worcester at the Soldiers' club on last Sunday was enjoyed by a large audience. Owing to the poor roads, the musicians were delayed and did not reach here until 8.30, but all felt that they were amply repaid for wait-

Miss Sadie Campbell, the "Midget Harry Lauder," presented a very fine entertainment, consisting of dances and character songs on Tuesday even

Miss Mary Steer, who for the last six months has been in charge of Girls' Work in War Camp Community Service at Camp Devens, has been trans ferred to the southern district as field director. Mrs. N. S. Gould, in addition to her

duities at the Federation House will assist with the hostessing of the dances of the Soldiers' club and of the Girls' On Saturday, March 1, one hundred

men of the 443d Reserve Labor Bat-talion (colored) held an invitation dance at the Soldiers' club. The Motor dance at the Soldiers citie. The Motor Transport Corps donated the use of autos to bring the girls from Boston, under the chaperonage of Mrs. Butler Wilson. Major-General McCain and Col. Lott, chief of staff, were guests of honor. The jazz band of the bat-tallon furnished excellent music for the occasion.

To the Editor:

The writer has heard Protestants as the proverbial tallow cat "down below."

whom the committee by great fortune should allay the suspicions of all prejewere able to secure for the occasion. Miss Natalie Bigelow, of the Suffrage Coffee house, will have charge of the refreshments.

Should allay the suspicions of all prejections of all p tion of children and the clergy (Protestants) naturally resisted, but were decisively beaten. Why? Because laymen from

amendment to the state constitution was passed in the face of the united The motion picture attractions at opposition of the Roman Catholic the Federation House will be Pathé clergy of the commonwealth. Why?

> Church people should for the sake of acquiring some modesty before the world, reflect on one gigantic fact. It is this: The United States census figures show that seven men out of every here by n

address will be given by Rev. Howard A. Pease, of Fitchburg, an attractive speaker. Miss Ruth Mitchell will be speaker. Miss Ruth Mitchell will be speaker. ions, jealousies ar l animosities that the outsider sees or every hand among those who call themselves christians.

The experiences of the war have taught a better way to many thought-

ful people. The writer has tried, in season and out of season, to each his people al-ways to seek the peculiar graces of all the churches and to seek to acall the capture them. Frank B. Crandall.

Camp Notes.

Additional thef's from the United States government were uncovered at the camp this week by investigators Baptist Church Notes.

Rev. J. W. Thomas attended the ministers' conference in Fitchburg on Monday which was held in the First Baptist church. The subject under discussion was "Lent.."

On Therefore conference in Fitchburg on the ministers' department last fall; discoveries which were followed by the coveries which were followed by the conference of th

trial by court-martial of Capt. Harry J. Harris of Brookline, an officer in the quartermuster's sub-depot here. It been stated authoritatively that confessions have been obtained from Negroes in camp, as well as from at least one Negro woman outside, that they have taken blankets, sweaters and various canned goods from camp, property for their own personal benefit. Major Patrick H. Daniels, who has show J. Warren

been camp inspector here since last Snares.
November, leaves the last of the week drama for Los Angeles, where he will spend enjoy this abather. a well-earned leave. He has been work-ing on the cases of alleged theft ever

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THURSDAY - William Fox's super production, "Land of the Free" with an all-star cast.

FRIDAY-ALICE BRADY in he latest,"Hollow of Her Hand."

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Camp Sevier. Capt. W. F. McCann of Framingham decorated for gallantry in action in France with a croix de guerre and twice afterward cited, has been apthe camp postoffice.

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Church records of the commonwealth why? was turned over to Sheriff Corbitt by Special Agent Pond of the department

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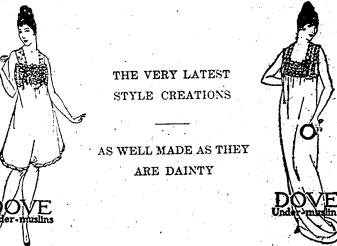
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News Items.

On Friday of last week a very pret y party was tendered to Miss Helen Dickson at the home of Mrs. H. H. Gale. The party took the form of a shower, arranged by Misses Gertrude Farwell and Louise Atwood, and was a complete surprise to Miss Dickson. the bride-elect. Refreshments were

A son was born to Prof. and Mrs. Dunlap at their home on Monday

Rev. A. W. Littlefield, of Needham. will preach at the Unitarian church on Sunday morning. Sunday school at twelve o'clock. Clothing may be left at the Unitarian parsonage for the barrel which the Alliance voted to send to the Calhoun school.

The Congregational church and par Ish will hold their annual meeting on Tuesday evening, March 11, in the church vestry. A supper will be serv od at seven o'clock, to which all are invited. The business and social will follow at eight o'clock. Some nev Ideas are to be brought up at this meeting for consideration, and it is desired that everyone in the parish

George F. Pollard has purchased of Hattle N. Farwell the lot of land on the common adjoining Mr. Pollard's estate. Mr. Pollard intends to make this corner in the common one of the beauty spots of the town, and it goes without saving that it is a matter of pride to the citizens that they have a townsman who is so interested in improving the town.

One of the best shows of the season on last Saturday evening by Maynard & Dadmun at their regula performance. It was a story of the Canadian Northwest and well worth an effort to see.

Henry Waters, who was reported as recovering from the influenza, has suffored a relapse and is now quite seriously ill. At last reports he was Harvard boys. I have written to every slightly more comfortable and able to Harvard boy in France whose address take a little nourishment. His sisters. Katherine and Mamie, are home, assisting in caring for him.

In splte of the muddy roads severa of the young ladies braved the con-ditions and went to Ayer on Wednes-day evening to attend the dance given at the Soldiers' club. Ole Gabrielson took them over with his double team. Mrs. A. T. West chaperoned the party.

Mrs. James A. Barry was called suddenly last week to Bridgeport, Conn., upon the death of her sister, Mrs. Josie Goldsmith.

Miss R. M. Graham invites the public to her spring opening of millinery on March 10 and 11. Street floor, Barry block, Ayer, Mass.

The First National Bank of Ayer requests all purchasers of coupor bonds of the fourth liberty loan to all and receipt for them promptly.

The Grange enjoyed one of their old-time social gatherings on Tues day evening. The third and fourth degrees were worked, followed by the usual harvest supper. Mrs. Ryan Mrs. Walker and Mrs. Taylor had the supper in charge and they served one of the best ever, with an abundance of all good things, such as Grange cooks know so well how to prepare. Rev. Charles H. Smith, of Barre, dep-uty, was present to inspect the work of the order. He gave a splendid talk on the duty of the members as citizens and of the good work the Granges throughout the state are doing for the

Ayer Grangers planned to be present, but the bad traveling put a ban on all auto travel. Visitors were present from Boston, and Mr. Scorgie and daughters drove up from Cambridge to be present.

The first rehearsal for the Grange drama, "Oak farm," was held on Thursday evening. This three-act comedy is to be presented on Friday evening, March 21.

At the motion picture show this Saturday evening Jane and Katherine Lee, champion gloom chasers, will be seen in the five-act photoplay, "We should worry." From six to sixty they'll all laugh at "We should Are you afraid of burglars? and a two-reel Sunshine comedy. Her husband's wife"-eight reels

Members of the Woman's club on Monday listened to a paper by Miss club, on "Folk songs from our southern mountains." After explaining what a ballad or folk song is and how it differs from all other forms of lit-Miss Scorgie told of the changes likely to take place in a bal-lad as it passed down from one generation to another, until there might be 100 versions of any one song. From before the dawn of English history these ballads flourished until toward the end of the fifteenth century,
when the invention of printing and the religious reformation stimulating Interest in education crowded the bal-lad into the background. After a time the old ballads were found only in the remote country places, where addiremote country places, where additional advantages had failed to penetrate. Their last stronghold seems to be in the Appalachian Mountain region of our own southern states, where the British ballads brought to this country some 200 or more years aso are still passed on from mother t doughter. The ballads sung by Miss Scornie's sister, Miss Elvins Scornie

Letter from Prance,

The following letter has been re-ceived from Rev. Parvey C. Merrill. dated St. Eulien (The Marne), France, Pebruary 11, written to A. T. West:

I wonder why I did not write to you to me. Your letter was a real treat. You would hardly think, perhaps, that a letter could mean so much. but it brings the touch with home often feel ashamed to receive so and friends that we so much need much. When the mail arrives and no letter-well. I can't describe Just how you feel, but you feel rather fun. It is not all blue here, in fact Torsaken, and you get right to work it is the reverse, and outside of being to forget that you have a home. And homesick I never have been happier when you get a letter you read it over the my life, and have never had a bettwice and then again to make sure ter time. And although I long to go you haven't skipped anything. Then home I shall regret the day in many you put it in the envelope and think ways. I have no doubt that it may be about the one who wrote it, and recall a little difficult to take up the old life tittle incidents in relation to that particular person. Then you read it a part of France. I staved in Paris. Then most likely you begin to reckon the three between teeth and the late that that the between teeth and that that the late the between the the late that the

wonderful time when you will start

You will notice that this writing is ather uneven. That is because one an't write with a fancy hand with Today there is a very cold, blustering snowstorm, and our paper barracks—they are literally that—are not exactly comfortable in such weather. The snow sifts through the cracks and the wind refuses to stay out where it ought to be, so one can only sit and shiver and blow his fingers. I am sitting in my big army coat with a blanket wrapper around my feet and legs. I have a fire, but t refuses to heat my room to any great extent, because the heat draws out through the cracks I suppose. of all, and today the air comes up hrough in a perfect gale. Don't vecks. They have been so cold and for so long a time that they are sore. That is on account of the cold floor. whole lot better than many other olaces.

When I see the French troops passing and realize that they are going to sleep in outhouses and sheds and parns on a little pile of straw, if they are fortunate enough to get it. I think ow comfortable I am, because I have plenty of warm blankets and a cot to sleep on.

I have seen our own boys tramping through here in a pouring rain, and when the order was given to halt for a few minutes I have seen them throw themselves flat down in the mud and stickiness of a piece of ploughed ground by the roadside to rest. Those same fellows had to sleep alongside of furning manure piles in sheds and barns, and sleep in wet clothes at that. I don't have to do that. I have a snap in comparison. I have seen no or whose company I knew. I received two replies—one from Adin hie and one from Rev. Mr. Morse's son.

I do not think our boys are hiking much this weather, but the French are. A few weeks ago our boys came through by the thousands. Ordinarily I see no Americans, for as you know I am with the French, and there are no Americans in this neighbor-hood When I first came here among the polius, for weeks I saw none f our boys. When I did see one felt like hugging him, but I didn't ecause he saw plenty of his own kind on our troops passed through this place and often our foyer was full of them, and they looked good to me I can assure you. We also had many German and Austrian prisoners brought in by our boys. They came 2000 in a lot. Some of them were a sorry looking lot, especially the Austrians. These fellows would fight like dogs for a bit of bread, and they would kneel down and drink out of a mud puddle, by the side of the road.

I am not very distant from the Ar-onne, or from the whole line from Rheims to St. Mihiel for that matter, so this was a sort of shipping or dispersing point for prisoners and I saw them by the thousands. We have a prison camp here with about 500 Germans in it. They work about the had a wonderful time and I shall alcamp in the gardens, doing repairs, cleaning up and various odd job Things now are very qulet. Before

the armistice was signed there was always something to keep you interested. A few Boch planes and French planes by the hundreds—big bombing planes on the way to the front, be-sides even the thunder and pounding of the guns at the front had a certain fascination and brought a certain ex-citement. Now it is dead quiet and we can have our shutters open at night without fear of airplanes, seemed very strange at first. I have never been in but one real air raid, and that wasn't a bad one, but I never actually cared to be in another.

Air raids are much worse than the long range shells from Big Berthas, with which I had a week's experience I have seen nothing of the in Paris. actual fighting for which I am exceed-The Lee kiddles have a formula for ingly sorry, but I was ordered here, handling crooks—see "We should and in spite of requests to go to the worry" and learn the secret. Path front I was ordered to stay, so stay I had to. One minds, or rather one obeys orders here or something is doing. Discipline comes hard and I can hardly imagine how it will seem to be actually free to come and go and act is vou please.

Although I have been with the French army I have had considerable Anna M. Scorgie, a director of the opportunity to be of some service to club, on "Folk songs from our south- our boys. You would be surprised to After explaining know how many of them there have been wandering around France, lost from their companies, or separated for one reason or another, and not a few of them have had something to eat and a bed because I happened to be here.

I think, perhaps, I have given rath a wrong impression of our foyer. 'nder ordinary conditions it is ver omelike, tasty and pleasant, and the pollus find it a delightful place to come to. The trouble now is that coal is very scarce and exceedingly high in price, though the price don't affect us because it is furnished by the govern-ment. But we can get only a very imited quantity, and wood is almost scarce and high. Civillans have no eal, at least in this locality. There is a lot of suffering just now. I never realized before what a comfort just being warm is. I often think of my nice warm study at home-or is that list a dream? A warm study seems lust a dream? A warm study seems too rood to be true, as lots of other or reversions to this day in our south of the things. I can think about I our mountains. Miss Helen E Stone would give not a flute to see my wife accompanie! Miss Secrete on the and hows just now, and as well my many. I look forward to living arreng ev friends in Harvard with more as icipation than I can express,

Still, this life has it compensations and in some ways it is fascinating.
The associations here are exceptional ly pleasant. I doubt if any other "Y nun in all of France before so you would be obliged to write more courtesy and thoughtful consideration than I have, both from of-ficers and men. I am treated as an honored guest, and as a friend.

I have had some of the most enjoyable times, and a lot of real, jolly

up the time between today and that that time. My furlough I spent in the

Alps and crossed the Mer de Glace' "Glacier des Boisse have also done a little traveling besides that. But especially because the commandant of the camp has taken me around in his military trips I have had the opportunity to see some interesting places. I am very glad to have seen Chateau Thierry, Dormans, Eperuay and especially Rheims or The town, with 14,000 houses, is comwrecked, and the country around that section is a sight-merely desert. One comes upon town after just a pile of stones.

shells.

I visited the trench and dughink it is always like this because it outs outside of Rheims, where the sait. When the wind don't blow you Both had been for four years. There an get along all right if you are not are, I suppose, almost hundreds of is awaiting his discharge from the too fussy. But my feet have not miles of trenches running in every di-been warm—except nights—for many rection, and barbed wire without That is on account of the cold floor. The desolation. One sees great shell Still, we are very comfortable. This is miles and miles away from the actual battle ground. The Boch airplanes vent in every direction and wherever they went there is ruin.

The activities that go on back of the lines have always been interesting to ne. The movement of the troops, the long, long trains of war material of every description, the mitrailleuse and cannon, wagons, carts, and equipof marching men and horses, etc. Well, that for the most part is over although the change of troops still oes on.

Next month I have another furo Algeria, but I am rather doubtful of receiving it. If not, I shall go to Nice and Marsellles, and the Cote d'Azure. I dread the voyage, or rathir the travel, for traveling in France now is extremely disagreeable.

I do not know when I shall be able

o return to America. Work here at his time is important. I think, peraps, people at home feel that now the ighting is over we can come back at once, but the fact is that this is the most difficult period of all. Everyone is homesick and weary and blue. Pos-sibly the weather has something to do with this feeling, but mostly it is the elaxation from the strain of the war. Y" men are very greatly needed in the Y huts and fovers. I shall come home the very moment I can honorably leave, but I shall not quit just because I am homesick. There are others as homesick as I am. I sup-pose I am likely to be home anywhere from the first of June to the first of September, but the latter date is far the most likely I think. When I do go I want to go with a free conscience so I am just sticking by my job and saving nothing.

This is a very lonesome place, just a little cluster of houses, with not even a store, and of course the camp. including the prison camp, so one has no excitement to help along. The country hereabouts is flat as a floor and as uninteresting a country as you can imagine, and I have been here ever since I came to France. all this I have seen the sun perhaps a half dozen times since November, so you can imagine that a fellow might think of beautiful Harvard, and of what Harvard contains. But I have ways be thankful that I came. money could buy my experience be sold, but the day I sail for

nome will be a happy day.

Remember me to your wife, and ust tell the Grange that never a Grange night goes by that I do not think of them

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VACUUM CLEANER FOR SALE-A Sturtevant Electric Vacuum Cleaner, complete, with all extra tool equipment; good as new; listed at \$40, will sell for \$25. Inquire at Public Spirit Office, Ayer, Mass.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, that he subscriber has been duly appointed dministratrix of the estate of MYRON. PEAK late of Ayer in the County of iddlesex, deceased, intestate, and has about the control of the county o

SARAH S. NICKERSON, Admx. South Dennis, Mass., Box 56. March 3, 1919. 3t27

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-TTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Courtfo all persons interested in the ese of EMMA M. BLAKE into of Pepell in said County, deceased.
Whereas, WALTER O. PARKER, the
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ler said will for the benefit of PerJ. Blake and Ida B. Kendrick,
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Blake and Ida B. Kendrick, are hereby cited to appear at a to Court, to be held at Cambridge d County, on the twenty-fourth March A. D. 1919, at nine o'clock forenoon, to show cause, if any ive, why the same should not be

OMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-TS Middlegex, ss. Probate Court, in the heirs-at-law, next of kin, Stors, and all other persons inter-id in the estate of MARGARET E. ONALD late of Littleton in said thy, deceased, intestate.

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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, first Judge of said Court, this fourth ave of March in the year one thousand the hundred and nineteen.

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PEPPERELL

News Items The entertainment committee of coma Rebekah ledge will furnish an entertainment at the next

meeting, Tuesday evening, March 11. Refers as it is sometimes spelled. I brought away a piece of a shell that helped to wreck the cathedral, and a bit of stone from the cathedral to be shell and forwarded to be shell that be shell that helped to wreck the cathedral, and a bit of stone from the cathedral to be shell that been finished and forwarded to be shell that be shell that be shell that be shell that the shel At the meeting on Monday afternoon of next week it is desirable to have a many present as possible, as it may be found expedient to commence plan-The ning for the " The floor itself has the biggest cracks ground is torn in countless places by for the boys from the service at that time.

> . Nicholas Morrissey visited his moth re the er on Shamrock street last Sunday There coming from Camp Devens, where he miles of trenches running in every discribe. He arrived there from New-rection, and barbed wire without port News, Va., recently, from overmeasure. It is a bad looking place to seas. He is nearly recovered from the say the least. No words can describe effects of a wound in his shoulder the desolation. One sees great shell hews of which was sent here to his relatives at the time, and had been ou of the hospital some time before sailing from France. He was looking well and happy to meet old friends.

Thomas E. Benner, superintenden of schools in this district, entertained his brother, Austin Benner, gunner in the Royal Horse Artillery of the Ca nadian forces. The young man was enjoying a fourteen-day furlough, having recently returned to this con tinent after more than a year in the service, which he passed at his home in Lowell, and with his brother in town. He was a Harvard man, class of 1918, and made earnest attempts to pass a physical examination for the service in Boston, in Detroit, Mich. and in Texas, being rejected on ac count of his eyes, as he failed to pas the test required in the United States where the tests were not so rigid for enlistment, and was admitted to service in the Canadian army. He returns to Montreal next week where he expects to receive his discharge from

The regular business meeting of the Red Cross branch will be held at the Red Cross rooms on Wednesday after noon, March 12, at 2.30. will probably, have received yarn to give out for children's stockings and sweaters and for small shawls, which s to be the next work sent out from headquarters.

Mr. and Mrs. O. M. Nash have re turned to their home on Park street Chelsea at the home of Ernest O. Nash and family.

Miss Clara R. Gill of Nashua, N. H., former resident here, visited at the home of her sister, Mrs. John O. Benlast week, returning home on Criday.

Ray Willoughby has received his discharge from service, from the aviaor station at Pelham bay, and spent few days here at his old home town before resuming his duties as travelng salesman for the senior member of the grain firm of Rugg & Murdock Chamber of Commerce. He was connected with this firm before he enlist ed in the aviation service in 1917.

Charles Jewett is away on a trip with a friend residing in Worcester first plan to go to California was given up when the gentleman had an ill turn and a shorter trip south thought of. Mr. Jewett now writes that he may be home sooner than anticipated as the trip is not benefitting the invalid.

We note that a former Pepperell boy, Guy Kidder, now living at Milford, N. H., has won the Croix de This coveted decoration was presented him January 28 at Vallendar, France, with the following cita-tion: "Sergt, Guy Kidder, U. S. Ambulance corps. October 5, 1918, dur-ing violent bombardment, worked in open, assisting wounded, and hastening their removal. His conduct stimulated the courage of the men." The oung man is the oldest son of Mr. and Mrs. U. W. Kidder, who resided here for some years while Mr. Kidder was station agent at the Boston and Maine station. He holds the same position at Milford. Their son was eil known here before his enlistment player. He is now with the army o occupation and is in the 9th infantry

Joseph Toth an I family have moved to Everett, as he now has work near Boston. Their glods went by auto truck on Thursday afternoon from the Mault tenement on River street.

Grange Notes, ·

At Prescott Grange on Friday evening of last week there was a very good attendance and a very excellent program. It was Competitive night with the unmarried patrons vs. the married ones. Miss Ellen Miller was in charge of the first and Mrs. Amy Shattuck of the second. Both programs were very entertaining, the numbers of Miss Miller's being a plano solo by Miss Lillian Stewart; reading, Miss Florence Flynn; piano solo by Miss Katherine Blood; and a farce; entitled, "Capid and the Cadillac," presented by Miss Audrey Burkinshaw, the vil. hare school teacher, William Blood, the suitor and several school chilsaid trustee is ordered to serve dren, these parts being taken by Miss Ellen Miller, Miss Katherine Blood, Miss Florence Flynn, James Lawrence, Wendell Messer, Wesley Messer and

wended Messer, Wesley Messer and an published in Ayer, the last of the being and harden on the commenced with an iffustrated to the commenced with an iffustrated court, and by mailing, post-copy of this citation to all assets interested in the estate as at least before said Court. Scharles J. Meintre, Esquire, and an increase of said Court, this first day to the year one thousand hine and nineteen.

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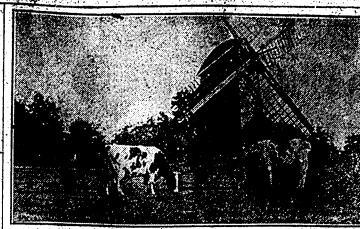
Symparty OF MASSACHU. inal paper in the form of a Grange alphabet was given by Mrs. Minnie Greene: a chiracter song by George H. Stewart; solo, Mr. Nash; reading ors, and all other persons interin the estate of MARGARET E.

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winner, were Mrs. Wallace Brown and Petrarch's romance with Laura is Mrs. Fisher of Groton and Mrs. Chas of the curiosities of literature. Smith of Hollis, and after conferring, He first saw her on Good Friday, April 6, 1327. Whether or not his devotion it was announced that Mrs. Shattuck's side had won. The defeated side are to serve the annual harvest feast, to her, which inspired all his love At the next regular meeting of the poetry and set a standard for ages to Grange, March 14, there is to be a come, was inspired by any passion of debate, on the subject, Resolved, that the advantages of country life are the heart is firmly disputed. In fact many believe that Petrarch and Laura never met. That she appeared to him, superior to those of city life. debators are George H. Stewart however, as the perfect woman no one Miss Lillian Stewart on one side and can deny after reading his impassion-William Blood and Miss Florence ed lines.-Christian Science Monitor. "iynn or the other.



Old Dutch Windmill and Pure Bred Helstein Cows in Good Pasture, Dutch land Farms, Brockton, Mass.

PROFITABLE SOIL PURCHASING LIME MANAGEMENT

The Necessity of the Maintenance of a Sufficent Supply of Organic Matter, Thorough Cultivation and Tillage, in Order to Insure the Availability of Plant Food and Proper Physical Condition of the Soil.

Soil Air Essential to the Development of the Plant as Roots Must Have Oxygen.

Successful farming depends to

large degree upon the proper soil management. To put the farm in a condition to produce profitable yields demands, on the part of the operator, a clear understanding of the proper ties of the soil. The soil is a medium for plant growth, and as such furnishes water and plant food for the growing crop. The moisture-holding capacity is all-important since water is the means by which the plant is fed. The elements of plant food become dissolved in the soil water, which in turn is taken up by the plant. Likewise, soil air is essential to the development of the plant, as the roots must have oxygen. If the soil becomes compact, or saturated with water, the air is forced out, shutting off the supply so necessary to plant life. This is easily observed in the growing of corn. If the soil is a stiff clay, easily packed by heavy rains, the surface will become, upon drying, so compact that air is not admitted freely to the roots of the plant, and serious results will follow if the condition is not relieved by thorough cultivation. If, on the other hand, the

corn is planted on a similar soil supplied with organic matter, in the form of manure or sod, the ground does not pack, or run together so easily, and there is less danger of checking the growth of the corn. Every farmer knows the value of organic matter in putting his soil in a state of good tilth. By tilth is meant the ease of working and the readiness with which the soil is reduced to a fine, mellow condition. Organic matter as supplied by stubble, sods, and manures, tends to make clay soils more friable, more retentive of moisture and more fertile. To secure this effect the organic matter must be more or less decomposed in the soil. Both organic matter and lime are necessary to bring about the best physical condition of the soil. From a chemical standpoint the decompos ing organic matter forms weak acids which act upon the mineral constituents of the soil, releasing the elements

"sour" and lime is needed to counter-

act the acidity. Clover will not thrive

on an acid soil, hence it is necessary

that lime be applied in order to pro-

plant for soil improvement.

exist, is most important

Petrarch and Laura

mote the growth of this most valuable

LIME SPREADER IN ACTION.

An even application of the lime, resulting in a thorough incorporation

Plant Changes,

Some remarkable variations in plant

structure and color from exposure to

the sun at different hours of the day

have been brought to the notice of

the Royal Microscopical Society of

England by Col. R. E. Rawson. In

flowers of the common nasturtlum-

trepacoulum majus-the low sun of the

early morning developed yellow col-

oring matter, the middle sun of mid-

day stimulated the violets, blues and

purples. The color of the foliage and

lobing of the leaves also changed

It in the soil, so that it will come in contact with all the acidity that :

FOR FARM USE

The Form, Concentration, Fineness of Division, and the Condition of the Soil Are Factors Requiring Consideration.

Power of Lime.

The chief point to be observed by the farmer in the purchase of lime is the form. The action of each form must be known under each of the many, varying conditions. Lime and limestone are both mineral products, but the former is a product of manu facture treated in a manner to make it concentrated, which means that it contains only the elements active in correcting soil acidity, whereas the latter contains carbon dioxide amounting to approximately one-half its velght, besides any impurities of the original rock from which it is ground, While there is no organic fermentation in the case of mineral materials, ye the concentrated forms are acted upor more readily by the natural soil sol vents, air and water, and other solvent substances of soils, and, furthermore they are more readily and evenly distributed throughout the soil by the soil

The kind of soil to which the lime of limestone is applied influences the rate at which they become active in the A soil which is open and porous and thus permits the free access of air and circulation of water, and one which contains a large portion of organic matter capable of decay, animal or vegetable, presents more favorable conditions for the solubility and activity of lime and limestone than one which is close and compact in texture and purely mineral in its character. thus preventing the free access of air and water, and in which no organic changes are taking place. In the one case the conditions are such as to faof plant food. When these acids case the conditions are such as to fa-become abundant the soil becomes vor the action of natural agencies, and in the other they are such as to retard their action, even though the latter type of soil may be more in need of lime than the former for the indirect advantages which may be secured.

A Study of the Soil Neutralizing

noisture. Regardless of the form, fineness of division has an important bearing upon availability since the finer the material the greater will be the surface area exposed to the natural agencies which cause disintegration. The particles of slaked or hydrated lime are infinitely small and there is no question of their solubility on this score. With lime stone it is a question of grinding purely mechanical in nature. The applica-tion of a coarsely ground limestone, coarser than 100 per cent, through a 10-mesh sieve, may not show any results the first or second season, while the same substance pulverized to an extremely fine powder, 100 per cent through a 60 or 80 mesh sleve, will show results during the first seaso that is, its fineness permits of the solubility of a considerable portion of its lime.

THIS TELLS HOW TO FIGURE INCOME TAX Squarely Up to Every Individual

to Get Busy by March 15 or Suffer Penalty.

"Don't wait until the final due date, March 15, for paying your Income Tax and making your return. Avoid the last minute rush. Any person can figure out his liability today as well as he can next week, and if there is any point on which he needs advice he can now get in touch with a Revenue man."

This word of advice is from John F. Malley, Collector of Internal Revenue, Boston, who is collecting the Income Tax in Massachusetts. Collector Malley-is giving without charge every aid of his office and his enlarged field force to help the people get their payments and their returns in by March 15th. But the Income Tax men will not

pull your door-bell or your cont-tails, according to the Collector's announcement. It is squarely up to every individual to figure out his own case and to get busy if he comes within the scope of the new Revenue law.

Did You Earn This Much?

Every numarried person who received income averaging \$19.25 a week during 1918 and every married couple who jointly received income averaging \$38.50 a week should secure at once from the nearest Deputy Collector or the nearest bank a blank Form 1040 A. That form contains the information he will need to enable him to figure his correct net income and any tax that he

wes the government.
The law requires that every unmarried person who had a net income of \$1,000 or over and every married person whose net income was \$2,000 or over (including the income of husband or wife and the earnings of minor children, if any) must make a return on or before March 15th. And this requirement does not hinge on whether the person owes a tax.

Taxable Income.

An individual must include under gross income all gains, profits and income derived from salaries, wages or compensation for personal service of whatever kind and in whatever form paid or from professions, vocations, business, sales or dealings in property of all kinds, interest, rent, dividends or profits derived from any source whatever. Very few items of income are exempt,

Deductions include ordinary and necsary business expenses, interest paid or accrued on indebtedness taxes of all kinds except Federal income and excess profits taxes and assessments for local benefits, losses actually sustained, debts ascertained to be worthless and depreciation on buildings, ma-chinery, fixtures, etc., used in business. A further deduction is allowed for contributions to corporations operated for religious, charitable, scientific or edu-cational purposes or for the prevention of cruelty to children or animals to an amount not exceeding 15 per cent of. the taxpayer's net income as computed without the benefit of the contribution

deduction: The taxpayer is not allowed to deduct any personal, living or family expense, any amount spent for improving property or any expense of restoring property or making good its exhaus tion for which an allowance is claimed

Figuring the Tax.

Before figuring the normal tax the dividends are deducted as credits from net income, together with the personal exemption. As in previous years, dividends of domestic corporations are exempt from normal tax when received by the stockholder.

The normal tax rates for citizens and residents are as follows: On the first \$4,000 of net income in excess of the credits the rate is 6 per cent; on ony further taxable income the rate is per cent.

The surtax rates apply to net income of each individual in excess of \$5,000. The personal exemption and the dividends are not deductible before computing surtax. In the case of returns by husband and wife, the net in-come of each is considered separately in computing any surtax that may be due. Form 1040 should be used for making returns of net income exceeding \$5,000, and the instructions on that form will show how to figure the surtax.

Business House Returns.

Employers and others who paid vages, salaries, rents, interest or similar determinable gains in an amount of \$1,000 or over during 1918 to any person must file an information return with the Government. Blanks may be

secured from the Collector.

Every partnership must file a return showing its income and deductions and the name and address of each partner, with his share of the profits or losses during the past year. Personal service corporations will file similar information for 1918.

* INCOME TAX PAYS FOR PUBLIC BENEFITS.

"Viewed in its largest and truest sense, the payment of taxes * is payment for benefits received * or expected. Only from a narrow and essentially selfish and * shortsighted viewpoint can the individual propose to himself *
the evasion of tax liability as a *
desirable course of action."— * * Daniel C. Roper, Commissioner * of Internal Revenue.

A Change for Them. "What do professional fishermen do when they take a vacation?" asks the

writer of a sport column. Maybe, they tell the truth, brother.-Boston Transcript.

No Chance for Him. When you see a man who is willing to let well enough alone you see one who will never occupy any of the room at the top.



Dr. Hartzell says that infection from the teeth and tonsils causes ninety per cent of all heart disease; that fifty per cent of arthritis and iritisls is from the same cause; that kidney troubles are frequent from mouth infection. Cut have enough left to cause all of us to do some hard thinking.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN, tha he subscriber has been duly appointed dministrator of the estate of JOHN A. ENDALL late of Ayer in the County of Middlesax, deceased, intestate, and as taken upon himself that trust by iving bond, as the law directs.

All persons having demands upon the tate of said deceased are required to hibit the same; and all persons intest of said estate are called upon make payment to

THOMAS F. MULLIN, Adm. Ayer, Mass., February 6, 1919.

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court

SETTS. Middlesex, es. Probate Court. To the helrs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of SARAH J. BROWN late of Ayer 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 FRED A. LAWTON of Lunenburg in the County of Worcester. You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, Probate Court to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the tenth day of March A. D. 1919, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

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

And the petitioner is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day, at least, before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of enid Court, this eleventh day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

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COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHU-SETTS. Middlesex, ss. Probate Court. To all persons interested in the es-tate of LUCY JANE GOODWIN late of Pepperell in said County, deceased. Whereas, JOHN L. BOYNTON the ex-ceutor of the will of said deceased, has presented for allowance, the account of his administration upon the estate of said deceased.

said deceased.
You are hereby cited to appear at a
Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge
in said County, on the seventeenth day
of March A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in
the forenoon, to show cause, if any you
have why the same should not be al-

And said executor is ordered to serve this ditation by delivering a copy there of to all persons interested in the estate fourteen days at least before said Court, or by publishing the same once in each week, for three successive weeks, in the Pepperell Clarion-Advertiser, a. newspaper published in said County, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and by mailing, postpaid, a copy of this citation to all known persons interested in the estate seven days at least before said Court. Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this twenty-fourth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen. And said executor is ordered to serve

COMMONWEALTH OF MASSACHUSETTS. Middlescx, es. Probate Court.
To the heirs-at-law, next of kin, creditors, and all other persons interested in the estate of PETER F. SAGONEY who died in Ayer in said County of Middlescx in the saving estate in said County of Middlescx to bendministered, and not leaving a known widow or heir in this Commonwealth, and to the Treasurer and Receiver General of said Commonwealth. Whereas, a petition has been presented to said Court to grant letters of administration on the estate of said deceased to W. FREDERIC DAVIS JUNIOR public administrator in and tor said County of Middlesex.
You are hereby cited to appear at a Probate Court, to be held at Cambridge, in said County of Middlesex, on the seventeenth day of March A. D. 1918, at nine o'clock in the forenoon, to show cause, if any you have, why the same should not be granted.

And the said public administrator is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation

And the said public administrator is hereby directed to give public notice thereof, by publishing this citation once in each week, for three successive weeks, in Turner's Public Spirit, a newspaper published in Ayer, the last publication to be one day at least before said Court, and is further directed to deliver to the Treasurer and Receiver General of said Commonwealth a copy of said citation fourteen days at least before said Court.

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Witness, Charles J. McIntire, Esquire, First Judge of said Court, this nine-teenth day of February in the year one thousand nine hundred and nineteen.

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SHIRLEY

Yews Items Mrs. Henry W. Eisner, of Littleton

as in town for the week-end. The Brotherhood of the Congrega tional church will hold its regular meeting on next Tuesday evening at 7,30 in the ladies' parlor of the church.

The Alpha Past Grands association held its monthly meeting last week Friday afternoon with Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge. At the business session two candidates were initiated. An entertainment followed, Rev. S. F. Goodheart giving a talk on books and culture. At the close of the entertainment supper was served. The entertainment was in charge of Miss Altie Howe. The supper was in charge of the past grands of the lodge, with Mrs. M. J. Brockelman as chairman. The next meeting will be with Prosperity lodge of Leominster.

Mary A. Livermore Rebekah lodge met last week Friday evening. At the close of business an entertainment in charge of the men of the lodge was given—organ selections, Mrs. Louise Adams: readings, Sergt. Coddington, John E. Adams, Harry Lynch, Mrs. Knox and Altie Howe. During the vening whist was played. Cake, cany and coffee were served.

Harold O. Moss, aged 3 months and 7 days, infant son of Mr. and Mrs. harles O. Moss, died Sunday morning f penumonia at the home of Mrs. Moss's sister, Mrs. Charles Friedrich, where she has been living. The father is in France with the American forces and never saw his son.

The body of Charles G. Edgarton, Jr., aged two weeks, son of Mr. and Mrs. Charles G. Edgarton, of West Newton, and grandson of C. F. Edgarton, of Concord, was brought to town last week Friday afternoon for interment in the C. F. Edgarton lot in the illage cemetery. Death was caused by neritonitis.

Private William White has been discharged at Camp Devens, and with Mrs. White, who has lived at the home of Mr. and John Seymour for the past ear, left town on Saturday.

Mrs. Minnie Munsey, of South New Castle, Me., is spending this week with her cousin. Mrs. Elmer H. Allen. Mr. and Mrs. Frank Gregory, of Litspent the week-end at the home

f Mr. and Mrs. John T. Smith. A message has been received from Voodsville, N. H., announcing the birth of a son to Rev. and Mrs. Willam B. Farnsworth, Mr. Farnsworth vas formerly the pastor of the Uniersalist church here.

Mrs. Charles W. Marshall, who has oeen in poor health more or less all winter, has gained a little under the influence of the beautiful spring weather of the past week. Her many friends are looking for marked improvement in her health when the weather conditions become favorable for daily outings in her car.

One of the unusual sights of the season was the large flock of blue-birds seen Tuesday morning on the grounds of Charles W. Marshall.

William, Bolger has moved his shoe mending business from over the store of Conant Bros., where he has been for the past twenty-five years, to the red house next to the residence of O. W. Balcom, where his family will also reside.

The John Gilmartin family have moved into the upper tenement of the Bennett house, so-called, which owned by Timothy C. Lucie. so-called, which is thy C. Lucie. The house they have vacated will be occupied by the Moses Hunt family, of Northboro. Mr. Hunt will work for the President Suspender Co.

Lieut, Reginald MacDonnell, who was discharged last week from Camp Grant, Ill., is now at the home of his He is planning to take up North. his studies again at the University of Maine, where he has one year to finish his course.

Ruth Knowles has arrived home from Northfield seminary on account of ill health, and will return at its school physician. opening next September.

has accepted a position in the office of the President Suspender Co.

Adolphus Lomme has moved to Leominster. He has leased the house he vacates to C. Russell Miner, who has a position with J. Cushing & Co., Ayer.

An article in the Boston Herald of March 1, tells the story of the real facts in connection with the death of Col., Percy W. Arnold, who resided with his wife and mother for nearly year at the home of Dr. Charles J. Peirce, and was well known to residents of Shirley. The article referred to states that Col. Arnold died in France on January 25 from injuries received in a fall. In leaving his room one night he tripped on the stairs an fell the whole length landing on his head at the bottom. He was picked up suffering from a double fracture of the skull and concussion and never regained consciousness. He was a mar of sunny disposition and made many friends wherever he happened to be and it was with much sorrow that Gen. Cole his commanding officer, learned of his death, who was about to recommend his subordinate office for promotion. He was buried with military honors at Langres

France. The Altrurians met on last week Thursday afternoon at the home of been spending a short vacation at Mrs. Gertrude C. Weare. After a brief home, has returned to her work at business session the program of the Thompson's Island. afternoon was taken up, Longfellow's Mrs. Carrie Milne, of Grand Rap-birthday being observed. Mrs. E. H. lds, Mich., arrived this week at the Conant gave a sketch of his life; Miss home of her sister, Mrs. Carey, where Howe read poems from Longfellow, and a social hour was enjoyed, during who is quite ill. which the hostess, assisted by Miss Tewksbury, served a dainty. The next meeting will be held served on March 13, the place of meeting to be announced.

Private Robert Gately of the Quartermaster's department, has been at roads in town, especially as it is the the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. best means for traffic from the vil. James Gately on a seven-days' fur lough.

A large number attended the supper, social and entertainment at the building of some of the worst parts of Congregational church Wednesday evening. There were about ninety who sat down to supper, which was under the direction of Mrs. Jennie S. Knowles, Mrs. Fowler, Mrs. M. J. Brockelman, Elaine Love, Nina Holbrook and Flora Shepherd. The entertainment at eight o'clock, under the direction of Miss Annie P. Holbrook, consisted of recitations by Sergt. Watts of Camp Devens; plane soles, Miss Kathleen Miner; recitations, Rev. S. F. Goodheart. Miss Caroline Brown,

B. Allen, Benjamin F. Sherman, Albert J. Marston, Thomas M. Chisholm and Wilbur A, Claffin. The program consisted of a five-reel motion picture film, which was followed by dancing ind whist. A Fitchburg orchestra furnished music.

The women's bible class of the Congregational church will meet on Monay evening with Miss Bessie Dadmun. Mrs. Mamie Gately, of Ayer, a former well-known resident of this town, who has been a Red Cross nurse in France, has arrived in New York

Relates Interesting Experiences.

Many friends will be pleased to hear that Rev. J. F. Russell, who was a former preacher in the Baptist church about fifteen years ago, and who has been a very successful missionary in the Philippine Islands during the past ten years, is now touring among lead-ing New England cities telling of the by the missionary movement. classmate of Brown university, J. Walace Chesbro, is now pastor. that section he was also the guest of his cousin, Henry D. Martin, a former resident of Shirley, but now in charge of one of the leading cotton mills in Warren, R. I. Mr. Russell has re-cently spoken before large audiences Memorial, Dorchester, Rev. J. W. days, when he friend, H. D. Martin. Mrs. Chesho him. He is as comfortable as can be is a cousin of Arthur Jubb of this expected. Mrs. Spaulding is suffering

Pleasantly Surprised.

Frank Sideleau, son of Mr. and Mrs Decar C. Sideleau, attained his seven eenth birthday last Saturday. In view f that fact his large number of asso lates decided to make that day an event long to be remembered and a surprise party was arranged and car-ried out with much enthusiasm and charming results. The two score of friends who invaded Frank's home on Chapel street were delighted when Company on Monday night, when the they discovered that the party proved men were paid off. a big surprise to their friend, who was much overcome as they invaded his ing was the presentation to Frank of a gold watch, the gift of the guests of the evening. The presentation was made by Fred Will, who told briefly of the esteem in which the recipient was held by his associates. Frank, was much affected by this sudden avalanche of good will, responded by thanking his guests most cordially for their kindness and substantial token

During the evening games and music were enjoyed and refreshments served, and the affair was one merrygo-round of festivities from start to finish. Miss Ethel Peabody was present and assisted in directing the music. Those present were Albert Dearden, George Hooper, David Thomas, Henry Crady, Camillaro Gionet, Frances Bastien, Gertrude Pelote, Annie Sewell, Josephine Bodah, Dorothy Milliken, Anna LePage, Annie Bolger, Eva Gionet, Ethel Bolger, Charles Gionet. Earl Pomfret, Earle Weare, Lewis Cutler, Fred Will, Herbert Birchstead, Clarence Hooper, Everett Barnard, Charles Will, May Glonet, Bernadette Cartier, Charlotte Bouah, Laura Side leau, Mathilde Sideleau, Eliza Bodah Myrtje Cole, Alice Cole, Oma, Wolff, Ruth Coddington, Emily Ebeare, Celia Hodgman, Genevieve Coddington and

George Haskins of Barre, who has recently recovered from a severe attack of pneumonia, spent the week-end at the home of his parents, Mr. parents in Shirley, Mr. and Mrs. P. H. and Mrs. Charles Haskins, at the

Dolly and Doris Knowles.

At the meeting of the school committee held last Saturday evening William E. Barnard was reappointed truant efficer for the Center and Dr. Thomas E. Lilly was reappointed

Born on March 2, a son to Mr. and Miss Ruth Malonson has arrived Mrs. C. A. Quimby of Fitchburg. Mrs. ment of black aprons to be made and home from Northfield seminary and Quimby was formerly Miss Marguerite they have also gone back to knitting. Sargent of North Shirley.

week at the home of her sister, Mrs. Hancock, at Lunenburg. Ralph N. Graves spent the week

end with friends in Somerville. Captain and Mrs. Wickham, who have been staying at the home of Mr. nd Mrs. David B. Marsh on Center road, moved to Boston this week, where they are to stay while Mr. Wick- ternoon at two o'clock. completes his course in law, school.

Charles Walter of Rhode Island was Mrs. Charles Longley. He has been engaged in Y. M. C. A. work in Italy during the war, and is at Camp Devens his week lecturing on his experiences over there.

Norman R. Graves was appointed fanitor of the town hall and special olice at the meeting of the board of electmen last week Friday evening to ake the place of Thomas Manktelow

Lewis H. Bradford spent several days in Boston last week. Misses Eleanor Longley and Mae Bradford have returned to their work

at Fitchburg High school after a Miss Christine G. Longley, who has

she will stay to care for Mrs. Carey, Considerable comment Is being impassable on account of the depth of mud. This road receives prob

ably more use than any of the other lage to reach the state road for Fitchburg. It is hoped that some means may be found to provide for the rethe read before long. The state main-tained this read last year, and will probably do so this year, but main aining it in the summer is an entirely different proposition from rebuilding it so that it will remain passable in

Grange.

The meeting of the Grange on Tuesday evening was observed as "educa-tional aid night," and the meeting took the form of a reception to the

ontact with the various school heads The program consisted of a plano clection, Mrs. Gertrude Farnsworth; short talk on civil war experiences William Jubb; reading, Miss Ruth
Eurrage, of Lunenburg. Bev. Lionel
Ladies' Aid society in the country,

and coffee were served, and the re-mainder of the evening was spent in great work being done on those islands by the missionary movement. He spoke last week in the large Baptist fund, after a short explanation of the lasted about 18 years, at least spoke last week in the large Baptist fund, after a short explanation of the temple, Fall River, where his former purposes of the fund, by the lecturer.

Andrew Spaulding had the misfor tune to fall last week Thursday morn-ing and break both bones in his hip. cently spoken before large audiences ing and break both bones in his hip in New Bedford and at the Blaney He had just finished milking when the cow kicked causing him to fall. Mr. Spaulding is 78 years old and has been Chesbro has preached a couple of Spaulding is 78 years old and has been times in Shirley during his college in feeble health for some time, which was a guest of his makes the accident more serious for lartin. Mrs. Chesbro him. He is as comfortable as can be

from an attack of bronchitis, Mrs.

HOLLIS, N. H.

News Items.

eslie Locke is helping to care for hem. The regular meeting of the Grange was held March 4; topic, "The town and school warrant." Raising grain instead of buying it, if the farmer produces milk, Fred B. Wheeler, How ard B. Barnard, S. Fred Woods. Swap social. Packages were sold at auc tion, proceeds for future entertain-ments.

There was a meeting of the Engine

There was a rehearsal of the degree Avalon Rebekah lodge on Monday night.

Harry Knights, who drives one of s of C. J. Bell's milk routes into Nashua, was fell on the ice and broke his wrist re-

William Murphy has sold his woodot near Hollis depot to Roby & Swatz. Noah Smith has returned from a five weeks' visit in Boston and Prov-

Fred Polluck has left the railroad and is now working in Ayer. James Jewett of South Framingnam has been visiting his brother-

Andrew Jewett. Miss Bertha Hayden has been visit-Donald Hardy, son of Mr. and Mrs.

Willis C. Hardy, who has been re-stricted to the house with a severe cold, is able to attend school again. In the casualty list printed Sunday s the name of Roy E. Wilshire, Hollis, wounded, degree undetermined. On account of Andrew Spaulding's

accident, Mrs. Spaulding has given up at the home of his grandparents, Mr. and Mrs. William Hall. Marvell is carrying the children. At the pie social in a contest to se

who could write down in five minute the most different kinds of pies, Wil liam E. Lund won the prize with 23 to his credit. In a contest to see who could write the best telegram of ten words, each word beginning with the same letter, Mrs. Nellie Hardy won first prize, Mrs. Alice Messer, second, and Mrs. Beatrice Lund, third

Harold and Lilla Calderwood from Swampscott visited at Walter Havden's recently.

Harvey Theodore is the name given the young son of Ligut, and Mrs. Carl T. Guething, the boy being named for his uncle, Lieut. Henry T. Guething. who died of influenza in the late au tumn, while in the service.

The Red Cross has a large allotmaking three sizes of girls' sweaters. Mrs. A. A. Adams spent the first of It is thought the work will not go on and their families gathered in the vesvery much longer.

The Ladies' Reading and Charitable society will give their usual town meeting dinner next Tuesday in the vestry. Mrs. Willis C. Hardy has charge of the dinner.

The school meeting will be held in the lower town hall on Saturday af-

Albert Charait, who has been dan- pleasant occasion. gerously ill in a Nashua hospital for visitor this week at the home of what better since he had an operation on his leg for bone abscess

John Bell, who has been home on a week's furlough, has been given another week. He was restricted to the house all of last week with a bad carbuncle on the back of his neck.

The Woman's class met with Mrs. Charlotte French on Monday afternoon. Roll call was answered by current events that gave rise to interesting discussions. Miss Ruth D. Rogers read an interesting paper on "The peace conference." The next meeting peace conference." The next meeting will be with Mrs. Halph Herrick on March 17. Roll call to be answered by Irish jokes or stories. Tea was served by the hoste-ses, Mrs. French. and Mrs. er individual horses. Mrs. William Worcester Frank Bell, and a social half hour en-

Clara Smith has sold the land and buildings owned by her in the center of the town, the late S. M. Spaulding lace, to the Mercer Brothers of heard on the present condition of family, are coming here from Ohio. Center road, which is becoming nearly Mr. Mercer will take possession the last of the month.

the packing and moving of her household goods.

The entertainment given by the junior high school class was very successful in spite of the had traveling. The following program was carried out: Vocal solo, Miss Hyde; a three act play, entitled, "The farmerettes," Bladys Pierce, Frances Goodwin, Carfe Brown, Hannah Burton, Alice Buron, Bernice Lovejoy. Between the list and second acts there was a rest ful in spite of the bad traveling. The On his prossing across Mr. Shat-following program was carried out: tuck has not too across Mr. Shatplay, entitled, "The farmerettes," Gladys Pierce, Frances Goodwin, Carrie Brown, Hannah Burton, Alice Burton, Bernice Lovejoy. Between the ton, Bernice Lovejoy. Between the first and second acts there was a recitation by Oscar Parker, and orchestra music between the second and third acts. After the play a bluebird dance by Evelyn and Dorothy was given by Evelyn and Dorothy Hills and Judith Brown. Forty dollars was cleared.

Marcellus J. Powers has been put

is also studying with a lawyer over there and Tarbell is teaching arithmetic.

In a late issue of the Boston Post, in Lunenburg, was the speaker of the evening and gave an intensely interesting talk on "Lessons in water." He was followed by Frank C. Johnson, superintendent of schools, who kave a short talk. The members of the school committee, Dr. Thomas E. Lily, Robert H. J. Holden and George P. Campbell, all responded with a few remarks at the request of the lecturer. The program closed with a plano solo by Mrs. Gertrade Power and Mass of the proposal course of the proposal contents of the school committee, Dr. Thomas E. Lily, Robert H. J. Holden and George P. Campbell, all responded with a few remarks at the request of the lecturer. The program closed with a plano solo by Mrs. Gertrade Power and Mass of the proposal contents and the school committee the lecturer. The program closed with a plano solo by Mrs. Gertrade Power and Mass of the place of the science teacher, who has hall several of the rehool teachers boarding the real of the rehool teachers boarding the has in years past conducted the with her for some time past, has decided to take a rest, and the teachers who have been there will take their meals at Mrs. Willoughby's: Mirs Morton rooming at Mrs. T. E. Butler's who have been there will take their meals at Mrs. Willoughby's: Mirs Mrs Marion Case at Mrs. George Shattuck's.

It was maried late in life to Miss Marion Case at Mrs. George Shattuck's.

Mr. Nathanson, of Roxbury, is taking the place of the science teacher, phans and children in more of the place of the science teacher. ly, Robert H. J. Holden and George on Carbon President: Betsy R. Farley, vice remarks at the request of the lecturer. The program closed with a piano solo The Gertrude Farnsworth.

The list of books, histories, memoirs, the list of books histories and list of books histories and list of books histories. by Mrs. Gertrude Farnsworth.
Following the program an informal reception was held for the guests of the evening. Refreshments of cake and coffee were served, and the rewas organized it was called the Female Charitable and Reading society. This lasted about 18 years, at least there are no records of it after 1859.

BROOKLINE, N. H.

News Items.

At the Grange meeting on last week Wednesday the literary program consisted of a mock town meeting. The following officers were elected: C. R. Russell, moderator; Harry Marshall, Charles Dunbar, Albert Pierce, selectmen; Henry Bailey, treas.; Freeman Wright, tax collector; Mrs. Goodall, ballot inspector; Mrs. Ella Rockwood, chief of police; Blanche Hall, steward fire house; Frances Farnsworth, pound cceper; Mrs. Edna Hall, fence viewer Ethel Taylor, hog driver. The articles in the town warrant were discussed.

. Mrs. George Cady is visiting friends in Boston and vicinity. Mrs. Amos Gould is visiting at the

nome of Mrs. Mary Gerrish. George Perkins, of Nashua,

Mrs. Grace Campbell has recently eard from Arthur Green. He is now stationed at Brest, France.

The Loyal Workers will meet with Mrs. Charles Dunbar on Wednesday The Red Cross met on Tuesday and Friday at the Red Cross rooms for

work on boys' suits. Forace Hall, of Cambridge, was at his home on a short furlough last

A number of the townspeople at ended a drama in Hollis last week Friday evening. The South Brookline Social club me at the home of Mrs. Harry Whitney, Townsend hill, last week Thursday and

a very pleasant afternoon was enjoy-Miss Bertha Sargent, daughter of the late Rev. F. D. Sargent, is ill at

the Memorial hospital in Nashua. Mrs. E. P. Kelly and little son Arthur are visiting relatives in Auburndale, Mass.

Mrs. E. P. Kelly will occupy the pulpit on Sunday. Her subject in the morning will be "Our temptations," and in the evening, "Christ's temptations."

Mr. and Mrs. Forrest Hall are guests

PEPPERELL

Leroy Riley, who enlisted in Canadian regiment early in 1918, and has been a member of the Ambulance Corps in France, returned last week and visited his sister, Mrs. Robert Gardner. He is the youngest of the four sons of Mr. and Mrs. Mark Riley, to go to the front. He suffered sevwounds from shrapnel, in leg, and was gassed, being in a hospital for three months.

Mrs Samuel Blood is expected ome soon, as she has been discharged rom the Nashua hospital, where she recently had an operation for appen-dicitis, and is convalescing at the home of relatives in Manchester, N. H.

About fifty members of the Patriotic Helpers of the Methodist society and organizer of the band of workers. composed mostly of the younger matrons of the society, and the Helpers have proved most efficient during the war-time appeals, and have increased in numbers. This was their first in numbers. large social gathering and was a very

Miss Gladys O'Neal has returned home from Walpole, where she has Both he and his brother, Arthur Leary, been recuperating since her operation or appendicitis at the Massachusetts General hospital some weeks ago. Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buck are stay-Mr. and Mrs. Ralph Buck are stay- many. Wilfred speaks in praise of ing with Mrs. D. E. Weston during the socks that he received through

the absence of M: Weston on his Mr. Hamilton from the Special Aid sea trip of a month or more. Horace I. Whipple has been a visi-

Mildred is the name of the little daughter born to bankel Lorden and Murphy. Cottage street and Mrs. Drum, of these street, ever the week-

Miss Bertha Colson returned on last Death Confirmed,

tarian church, which was performed local papers, giving more details, with appropriate ceremonies. Miss Colson speaks of the church as reteachers. It is the first time that such is meeting has been tried by the Grange were treated to an entertainment at the school on Monday evening under the school on Monday evening under the school on Monday evening under the direction of John E. Beach, Geo.

The officers of the Industrial school is meeting has been tried by the Grange is latture.

Colson speaks of the church as resembling somewhat the church here sembling somewhat the church h

that she is in very good health al- Fia, where they had added to their though somewhat aged by the years that purchase of a small tract of land since leaving town, and that she is and had built them a cozy home. Mr. well looked after by Miss Lilla Har. Sign was a quiet, unostentatious man rington, who still resides with her.

Sathanson and Mr. Nichols are at the Iomestead.

P. J. McDonald is out again after is enforced stay indoors as the realt of the injuries to his hip, custained while trimming his apple trees. The injury amounted nearly to a break, and he is still walking with

George Jay, nephew of Mrs. P. J. McDonald, and well remembered here, is rtill with the Army of Occupation, stationed at Kohl, Germany. He speaks of a school of several departments, which has been stated to the course coldiers, and he is taking the course honesty. His death was very sudden and the course one, as he seemed ments, which has been started for the also drilled so many hours a day, and up for inspection once a week.

Reports of the condition of John Prossard, from the hospital at Kalamazoe, Mich, are encouraging. Although weakened very much by his severe attack of influenza, a letter reelved from Mrs. Frossard the latter part of last week says he is gaining. Notice of the death of Alphonso Billings, of Worcester, on Monday; February 24, was received here by friends in town last week. Mr. Billings was a former resident here, moving to Worcester about ten years or more ago. His wife was Miss Ida Jaques, daughter of Mrs. Charles Hamblett, of this town. She survives him, and one daughter, Mrs. Ethel (Billings) Mills.

Joseph'A. Donnelly, of the Pepperli Card & Paper Co., was in Nev York last week on a business trip.

Mrs. Jennie Hazen returned to her come in Fitchpurg last week Wednesday afternoon after a visit of a few days with her friend. Mrs. George Shaw, following the installation of last week Tuesday evening.

Thomas Breen made another mem ber of the family very happy by send-ing from France a pair of the little wooden shoes worn by the French peasant children. They proved rath-er small for the youngest of the family. Raymond, for whom they were in-tended, but he admires them immense finish and the carvings they are in- will minister to her like her own relleed rather ornamental to look at.

Church Notes,

At the Community church services will be held on Sunday morning as usual at 10.45. Sunday school at 12.10. A conference of the Sunday school officers and teachers will be held at the vestry at five o'clock. Mr. Whit-marsh will teach the next lesson in the regular teacher training course.

the services of W. H. Harris as director of the choir. The Tuesday evening meetings will e discontinued until further notice. The regular meeting of the Commu Church Workers will be held in

the ladies' parlor on Thursday after-noon, March 13, at 2.30. A lar + atendance is desired in order to finish the work on hand. The March committee of the Community Church Workers will serve a supper in the vestry at 6.30 on Thursday evening, March 13. This will be ollowed by an entertainment at eight clock, which will consist of read-

ngs, vocal and instrumental musi

At the Methodist church on Sunday the pastor will preach at the morning service at 10.45 and at 7.30 in the evening, Sunday sch ol at noon, Regular prayer meeting on Thesday even-

The Ladies' Aid society hold a sale try of that church for a social hour in the store adjoining Mrs. Sylvester's and supper on Friday evening of last millinery store on Wednesday afternoon.

The Patriotic Helpers will meet with

Friday evening. Letter from France.

ind a farce.

A letter of peculiar significance was recently received by Chester Hamilton from his friend, Wilfred Leary, from Tours, France, dated February 5. were still employed on tractors and auto trucks, and were together, and expecting to be sent north into Ger-many. Wilfred speaks in praise of while at Camp Devens before going across, and said that he met "Red" tor in town a part of this week, coming from his present home in New of the Pepperell boys, and he was
wearing boots without seeks, so he rnomas Dee, a nickname given to one of the Pepperell loss, and he was wearing boots without socks, so he gave him a pair of h.s. He also spoke of meeting Irving Church at an aviation of the persons interested in the estate of destruction of the social state of the heirs-at-law and all other persons interested in the estate of destructions of the social state of th Ing from his present nome in the present nome

Miss Bertha Colson returned on last week Monday from a week-end visit with Mrs. Sarah E. P. Tucker. Clinton, and on Sunday, February 23, attended with her the installation of tended with her the installation of the week by a letter from Mrs. Came this week by a letter from one of the starr and a clipping f

that purchase of a small tract of land who made many friends, and was

during their married life. Miss Ber-tha Farnsworth lived with them for fourteen years and Ned Harmon and Miss Howe, who afterward married and settled in the vicinity of the Starr home in Florida, were both very near and dear to him, while his kindly affectionate spirit greatly endeared him to the young couple and many

Mr. Starr was born in Medina, N. Y., in March, 1847. He spent many years in Nebraska and there is still a grant of land in that state known as the Starr grant. For thirty-five years he was a contractor and enjoyed the enviable reputation for the strictest

happily a painless one, as he seemed pass from a natural sleep into the deeper sleep, called death. Only the week before, according to a clipping from the same paper, he enjoyed a gathering at his home on Valentine's day. There were many present, including two northern guests, Dr. Sims

and Mrs. Eaton.
On the morning of the 19th, when Mrs. Starr called him, he was found to be breathing heavily and passed away in a few moments. The paper speaks of the high esteem in which Mr. Starr was held and that recently the neighborhood was named "Starrville," in his honor. The home of Mrand Mrs. Starr was one of the social centers, where almost every evening

The funeral was held on Friday afternoon, Feb. 21, in charge of Cabul lodge, F. and A. M., of Green Cove Springs, who administered the Masonic rites for the Richfield Springs lodge of New York state, in deference to the wishes of the deceased. The asket was covered with an abundance of wild flowers from his many sincere riends. Burial was in Hickory Grove

her northern friends in her sudden loss and bereavement in her far southern home. They have the comfort of knowing that she also has atives and sympathize with her through their own sorrow in the loss of their kind friend and benefactor. She will probably remain there as usual until April, at least, before coming north to attend to her home here, which was only closed for the winter when they decided to go south in November.

Resolutions.

Whereas, the Evangelical Congregadonal church and the First Parish Unitarian church of Pepperell havng in the providence of God thought best to federate for work and worship in accordance with the teachings of esus Christ, and
Whereas, the Rev. John B. Lewis,

pastor of the Evangelical Congregaional church, believing it for the best interests of both churches and of the remunity, has tendered his resignaion as pastor, to take effect on the wenty-eighth day of February, nineen hundred and nineteen, subject to ne findings of an ecclesiastical counl, therefore be it

Resolved, that we recognize in our astor a faithful, efficient preacher of dospel, a pastor fully consecrated to he Master's service, loyal to his highest convictions of duty, a safe councillor, a true friend, and at all times nd under all circumstances, a Chris-

the success that has crowned his The church has prospered under his

Rev. and Mrs. Lewis were highly nearly five years of faithful labor in Pepperell, we are glad to hear testi-

my that they have more than made We would recommend that these resolutions be spread upon the records of the church, a copy be given to Mr. ewis, one to the council, also one to Congregationalist.

Respectfully submitted. Otis A. Merrill, Edward F. Harmon.

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successful in bringing them into closer ing. Clement is teaching algebra and er in town will also be glad to hear the winters in Green Cove Springs,

a gathering of some of the neighbors was held. Mr. Starr's influence and cheeriness will be missed by all.

cemetery. Mrs. Starr has the sympathy of all

The music committee have secured

tian gentl**eman**. Resolved, that we bear testimony

pastorate in which he has been ably assisted by his faithful, consecrated Mrs. W. H. Edwards, Main street, on recommended to us by churches to whom they had ministered, and, after

Mrs. Mary M. Pond, Committee on resolutions.

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Saturday, March 8, 1919

PEPPERELL

Nows Items.

Mrs. Frank Kennedy, accompanied by her niece, Miss Hagstrom, arrived home from New York last week Thursday, having stopped over a day or two with the Chinns in Brighton. Mr. Kennedy also arrived on Saturday from New York.

Miss Katherine Lawrence came from Fitchburg on Tuesday as the guest of Mrs. John Bennett for a few

W. H. Drury and Charles Dole, from the Champion-International Card Co., Lawrence, were in town on Tuesday. Autoists generally have abandoned

Autoists generally have abanduned driving only when absolutely necessary, the mud has been so thick and the ruts so deep, but Mrs. George Du-Paw, who drives their car to Malden and Boston on business connected with the pharmacy, started on one of her trips on Tuesday afternoon without regard to possible mishaps or mud. Miss Nora Flynn, who remained

with Thomas Clark, following the recone back to Amesbury.

Miss Hazel Soule has finished her at the Lowell Commercial colcourse at the Lowell Commercial college and has accepted a position as stenographer with the Graton & Knight Company in Worcester, the firm where her brother, Ray Soule, was associated for some time previous to his enlistment. She is staying with

He is in the mobile veterinary sec-

Letters from Joseph F. Layalley from overseas state that he has been separated from his Pepperell comrades and been sent with a divi-sion going farther north into Germany, which does not look much like coming home soon.

Mr. and Mrs. William Withrow, who have been assisting at the town farm through the winter, finished their work there on Saturday night and have gone into Boston to visit their daughter, Mrs. Geltweldt and their daugater, ares. Getwent the husband, for a few days. From there they expect to go to Nova Scotla, where they will visit at Mrs. Withrow's old home, Amherst, and will probably spend the summer at Mr. Withrow's old home near Halifax.

Street Commissioner Blood had the town teams at work this week on the worst pieces of road, filling in with cinders from the mills the various washouts caused by the heavy rain of

A "jumble sale" will be held un-der the auspices of a committee of the Ladies' Aid society at the vacant store adjoining the millinery store of Mrs. Lottie Sylvester, on Wednesday afternoon, commencing at 2.30. Home-made candies will also be on sale. The "jumble sale," which is a new name for something not so new, will afford all the good people a chance to give something which they have ceas- of late. Plans will also be made for a ed to find a use for. Purchasers may leader, temporarily. Mr. Rust wil also find bargains. Any articles intended for the sale may be carried to ent, as Mr. Lewis will be obliged to either of the committees, Mrs. George Jenks and Mrs. F. B. Simmons, at any time before the sale. March 12, or the articles will be sent for if too bulky to carry. The store will be open and will be there to receive articles for the sale after ten o'clock Wednesday forenoon.

ent and he will no doubt return if the official notification from Rome to riage Violet Emma Hodgkins, daugh

ter, as Mr. Damon's duties at Concord, N. H., in the legislature, prevented it

Friends of Miss Madeline Graham. of this town, will now find her estab-lished in more convenient quarters, as she has removed her millinery par- at their destination. If anyone had lors from the second floor of the Barry chanced to investigate it would cerblock in Ayer into the lower store in the same block which has just been to sample them. They were finely vacated by Thayer, McNeil Co., of packed in a miniature orange box.

News of Miss Helen Greenhalgh, who was taken !!! with influenza while in Gardiner, Me., state that she has resigned her position there as musical meet with Mrs. Albert F. Parker of instructor in the schools, while con- Wednesday afternoon of next week valescing, and is still at her home in Pawtucket, R. I.

Mrs. Eleanor Noble, who resides with her niece. Mrs. Ida Goil. Flats and street, is somewhat better from a criy of this town, to Charles E. Stokes and street, is somewhat better from a criy of Maynard. February 25. Mrs. prolonged attack of stomach trouble, of and is able to be out on sunny days. Little Lawrence McCarty is visiting

his grandparents in West Acton, where he went with his father on the holiday last month

Mrs William Bennett is still in very serious condition at St. Joseph's hospital, Nashua, where she recently had an operation for nasal trouble.

Sergt. Leo Thayer has recently com neross from France, landing in New York. He is not expected here yet, as his first duty and pleasure will be visit his wife and young son, whom he never has seen, who arrived ir Pittsfield, where Mrs. Thayer was staying with her parents, February 4 Mr. Thayer was very anxious to be leased from duty in France, and outdistance the stork, but failed to do so. His brother, Oliver, who was in the same band in France, is still there. He writes of a recent furlough, when took a trip to Paris and other he took a trip to Paris and other points of interest. Sergt, Leo Thayer after receiving his discharge will prob, after receiving his discharge will prob, ably return to Worcester, where his position in the orchestra at the Strand rheatre is open to him.

Anten Autry, and Autry, and the condens that he made the common in the globe. Settling once more in the glob

Monday evening the board of engineers of the fire department were appointed as follows: Louis P. Shattuck, Grant M. Palmer and Harris G., Tarbell. Other officers may be appointed at the next meeting.

Miss Ida Shattuck, who has been detained at the home of her brother Warden Elmer E. Shattuck, in Charles town, by illness in the household, it is now expected has joined the party of friends in Florida, with whom she intended to go earlier in the winter.

Frederic E. Leeds, U. S. N., was a home on a short furlough at the home of his mother, Mrs. D. A. Dunbar, last week, from Wednesday to Saturday. The Transport Georgia, on which he is engineer, recently arrived at Fortress Monroe, Va., from overseas, and he ex-pected they would sail again for Brest, France, Tuesday of this week. He enlisted in the navy in November. 1917, and served on coast guard for some time. He brought home many little French articles, such as silk handkerchiefs and aprons, and pieces of French money. His half brother, Garfield Dunbar, came from Charlestown, N. H., to see him, remaining over night.

Miss Moilie Frazer, who recently spent a short vacation at her old home in town, has now gone into the Griffin hospital in Derby, Conn., in training for a nurse, if she proves strong enough for the course.

Mrs. Myra Kittredge spent Tuesday and Wednesday with her friends, Mr. and Mrs. Eck, at Winthrop Highlands, enjoying while there the big entertain-

George O'Toole writes to a friend visited the Misses Tucker, at Heata's pond visited visited the Misses Tucker, at Heata's pond visited visited visited the Misses Tucker, at Heata's pond visited visited the Misses Tucker, at Heata's pond vi ter. A flock of thirty grosbeaks have made themselves at home about the grounds nearly all winter, and have been much admired.

A notice of the death of Alphonso Billings was received by friends in town last week. He was formerly a resident of Pepperell, but has resided in Worcester for the past twelve years or more, where his death occurred on February 24. Services were held at his late home on last week Wednesday and the remains were taken to Fitchburg for burial. Mr. Billings has been a sufferer from asthma for a number of years, but his death was due to other complication of diseases. He leaves a widow, who was former-ly Miss Ida Jacques, daughter of Mrs.

C. G. Hamblett, of this town. He is also survived by a daughter, Mrs. Ethel (Billings) Mills, who lives in the suburbs of Worcester, and with whom Mrs. Billings will make her home for the present. Mrs. Billings is a memof Acoma Rebekah lodge of this town and well remembered here.

A meeting of Pepperell Troop No. 1. Boy Scouts, was held in the engine house at the Center on Wednesday evening, assistant scoutmaster Mr. Lewis and Mr. Rust and B. H. Allen meeting with them. At a recent meeting a new secretary, William Hutchinson, was elected, and plans will be laid to start the interest in organization anew, which has seemed to be lacking Mr Rust will give up his work among them, as he is leaving town so soon. Expressions of regret at losing his care was very generally voiced among the members of the troop.

no news has yet been received direct Vednesday forenoon.

Joseph Patterson, who recently Bailey, who met with shipwreck in Joseph Patterson, who recently came here from Maine to work in the paper mill, has gone to Potsdam, N. to work there, temporarily. His family will remain here for the presentation of their relatives have the product of the present of the product of the pr Washington.

were sent by her grandson, Sherman Parker, from Hollywood, Cal., by express and in this day of lost and misand came through in excellent cond Needless to say they were thor

ughly appreciated by the recipient The East Village Social club w. meet with Mrs. Albert F. Parker

Announcement is made of the marriage of Mrs. Sarah J. Marshall, form-Marshall was a resident here for

many years, and was know: careful housekeeper, devoted to family, and a good nurse. She has peen living with her daughter. Mrs Louise Lawrence, since the removal of the latter to Maynard, about two years ago. Mr. Stokes is said to be a widower of many years, a well knows citizen of Maynard, and having a pleasant home there. Mr. and Mrs Stokes are expected here soon to visit her youngest daughter, Mrs. A.

Prescott, Franklin street. Miss Carrie Shattuck returned to er duties as teacher in Winthrop last Sunday after a vacation over the holi

day at her home in town. Among the transfers of property oted in Hillsborough county, N. H. of last week, we note the sale of a small place in Amherst, N. H., owned by Arthur Field, of this town, to Mrs. Amelia Aubrey, of Lowell.

Mrs. N. W. Appleton returned this poultry men see their way clear again week from a visit in Boston and vi-cinity, where she went to attend the being decidedly the reverse. Mr. Olinnual meeting of the Colonial Dames sen was obliged to refuse any large of which she is a member. She also orders to be delivered before April 1, had the sad privilege while in Boston but is taking orders for later delivery. of attending the military funeral of we understand. He expects to begin

of attending the military funeral of the kinsman of Mr. Appleton, Ligut. Henry Appleton Knowles, at his late residence in Brookline. He had but recently returned from France, where he had been engaged in American Red he had been engaged in American Red between his behalf of the wounded soldiers had undermined his health.

At the meeting of the selectmen on Monday evening the board of enging the wounderstand. He expects to begin to ship this month.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Baker are receiving letters from their son Lawrence, in France, although they heard nothing from him for some time during the winter. He writes he is in the same division now with the Leary brothers, at work on motor trucks and tractors, and like them, expects to be sent farther north into Germany. He is quite well and has not been at the front since going over.

A committee of the Woman's club are planning to hold an entertainment and dance in Prescott hall on the eve-ning of Easter Monday, April 21. ning of Easter Monday, April 21.
There is to be a play, worth waiting for, by the best of local talent, and Lemery's orchestra of Nashua will play during the evening, between acts and also for the dancing which will conclude the evening.

Mr. and Mrs. Chester Shattuck, who have been at Pinehurst during the winter after Mr. and Mrs. Kennedy went to New York, went to visit for a few days with the parents of Mrs. Shattuck, Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Stone. after the return of the Kennedys last week. They are expected back in their own home on Tucker street next week.

C. F. Moffat, who went to his old working place in Lincoln, Me., while his finger was healing, which was injured by a saw, six weeks ago, writer there and he that business is slack there and he may return home.

Harold Gray, a former Pepperell boy; brother of Mrs. L. A. Shattuck, writes from France that he was in the troop train which was wrecked near Les Maus, January 31, but was unin-jured. He is the son of A. D. Gray, formerly of Shattuck street in this own

Russell Wright spent the week-end with his mother, Mrs. Bessie Jordan Wright, in town, coming from Waltham, where he is still in the employ of the government.

ment given by the Elks.

The Mt. Lebanon Community associates with honors, being awarded the class pin for proficiency, and site, had already received the gold modal offered by the college for speed and efficiency as stenographer. She that offers of positions in Lowell, but preferred going to Worcester, where the George O'Toole writes to a friend from Villerupt, France, that he is well.

The Mt. Lebanon Community associates held a quilting party with Miss and the F. B. C. of this town and the F. B. C. of this town and the F. B. C. of Nashua at the class pin for proficiency, and say a pleasant affair, and well attended. The ladies will meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday and efficiency as stenographer. She and for the present will take up the same kind of work until there is more call for Red Cross work.

During the warm days the first of the week a flock of nearly 100 robins visited the Misses Tucker, at Heald's game between the Tiger A. C. of this town and the F. B. C. of Nashua at the Coperation of the Elks.

The Mt. Lebanon Community associates which and the F. B. C. of Nashua at the Coperation of Wilson on Wednesday, which was a pleasant affair, and well attended. The ladies will meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday. Anna Bancroft next week wednesday at meet with Mrs. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday. Anna Bancroft next week Wednesday There was a fast basketball game good crowd and dancing followed the game, with Miss Doris Durant, planist. Another good game is looked for on Saturday evening, March 8, at the Opera House between the Fitchburg Y. M. C. A. and the Tigers. Dancing will again follow the game.

Letters received from John Frossard, in Kalamazoo, indicate that he is gaining slowly but steadily, and it is understood will be account. is understood will be removed from the hospital to the private residence where Mrs. Frossard has been staying. We shall next expect to hear he is making arrangements to come back home, if there are no setbacks.

eye specialist, Boston, for a trouble with one of her eyes.

Leslie Parker received a summons to go to the Little building in Boston, last week Thursday, to receive his final discharge from the service. He is still in Boston, having secured a position as piano player for one of the officers. ho was a publisher of music before the war.

The service flag at the town house was taken down for repairs, the right number of stars for the boys in the service added, also the correct number of gold stars, and was again placed

to Worcester on Wednesday to see Mrs. Hamblett's daughter, Mrs. Billings, who was recently left a widow. Miss Anne Thayer came from Lowmain in town during Lent, as her serv ices as organist at St. Joseph's church will be required during the extra serv-

ces up to Easter Sunday, April 20.

About Town.

From the Boston Post of February 21: The baby claiming to be above ter of Elmon and Minnie Blood Hodg-Mrs. E. C. Damon of Nashua visited her sister, Mrs. I. J. Rowell on Friday. Mr. and Mrs. Damon are not taking their usual trip south this winter, as Mr. Damon's duties at Confucers as Mr. Damon's duties at Confucers as well as in near the confuser and should be supported by the confuser and should be supported by the confuser as Mr. Damon's duties at Confusers as well as in near the confuser and should be supported by the confuser and should months and nine days; also, says she does not claim to be the huskiest baby but we hope she will also have that honor with the rest, as she comes from

huskiest parents. Mrs. Harriette Clapp Goulding came back from New York on Wednesday, she has been visiting her husband, Edward L. Goulding, Ph. M., U. Mrs. Goulding will remain for with Mr. Goulding's family at Bedford.

Miss Marion Clapp is visiting in ambridge with her friend, Mrs. E.

Other Pepperell matter on pages su and seven.

Accepts New Pastorato.

itev. John B, Lewis, whose resignaas pastor of the Congregational this town was read from his pulpit two months ago, and who was dismissed by a church council on February 28, has received two unanimons calls; one to the Congregational church in Upton and the other from the Congregational church in East Longmeadow, a suburb of Springfield, about five miles digtant. Mr. Lewis

has accepted the latter and will com-mence his pastoral duties there at once. He also intends to remove his household there as soon as certain improvements are made in the per-In one sense Mr. Lewis is returning to a section not unfamiliar, as his former pastorate before coming to Pepperell was in Huntington, which s in the same church association.

As a young preacher, one of his first pastorates was in South Dakota. Following that he joined a party of friends and traveled into the far east-H. owned ern countries of the old world, taking a trip of nearly a year, in which time he made the complete trip around the Settling once more in the



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previous to coming to Pepperell. His was sent out at his instigation, and pastorate here dates back to June, 1914, and in these four and a half years he has made a large place for Mrs. H. A. Pike is in Dorchester with her friend, Mrs. Early, in order to receive treatment from Dr. Amidon, eye specialist. Roston for a specialist. Roston for a specialist. plies in its largest interpretation. Every aged member in his parish was aware of his kind thoughtfulness upon all such occasions as birthday an-niversaries, of other happy events, and no day was too fold, or storm too severe to prevent him from meeting with them.

This same thoughtfulness extended down through his parish to the young-est child on the cradle roll of the Sunest child on the cradle roll of the said day school, for, he was no respecter of persons. Naturally social and suf-ficiently broad-minded, his interest ex-tended itself outside of those in his immediate church to all and anyone of gold stars, and was again placed in position on Tuesday. A large "Welcome home" banner was also placed in position across the front of the town house.

Mr. and Mrs. C. G. Habmlett went to Worcester on Wednesday to see the county of the county of the start of the county of the co while never neglecting his own that duties he gave himself liberally to the outside classes and meetings in the town, both at Oak hill Sunday school and at the bible class services started at the schoolhouse on the South road, at the schoolhouse on the South road, at the schoolhouse on the South road. where he was always welcomed. While giving his series of illustrated lectures at his own church he took particular pains during one season to repeat the same for the benefit of the Oak hill society on the following Monday even which was heartily appreciate ing, which

During the recent reign of the in fluenza, when half the townspeople ere ill or attending to others who vere, his kindness in ministering to those who were in dire need will never There was no question church denominations of out he "went about doing creeds, but he

The same public spirit has permea ed many of his acts throughout the town. He has been a good citizen in very sense of the word. He has been interested in the upbuilding of all which would tend to the universal imrovement of the people. shown himself, in the words of the resolution drawn up by those knew him best, a pastor fully con-secrated to the Master's service, a true friend, loyal to his highest co ictions of duty, and at all times and under all circumstances a christian

The church has prospered his pastorate in a material way. Forty-four people have united with it, and the spiritual life among the young people has been quickened. Mrs. Lew is has been his able helper in this work, and her work in the primary department of the Sunday school is showing good results. Her efficience n the missionary society of the churc was recently fully acknowledged and from the first the organization of the Paugus Camp Fire circle has claimed a share of her attention, a room at he parsonage being set aside for their She has of late been serving as heir guardian also.

The hospitality of both Mr. and Mrs. Lewis has been enjoyed by friend and stranger alike, especially during the time when the home-sick soldiers were crowded into Camp Devens. without an occasional glimpse of the nome life to which they had been ac customed all their lives.

Mr. Lewis has received due recogni-

tion from his church for the success of the "every-member" canvass, now n its fourth year, which has proved such a financial success, the introduc tion of which is ascribed to his influ-

The Pepperell Men's club, now in its third year, and still flourishing, can also be safely ascribed to his influence.

were largely his personal work. The membership has constantly increased, and it is proving a factor for good in

the community.

Mr. Lewis and his household will be missed in the community, indeed they are already missed in all the branches of church work and activi-

ties.

The best wishes of his friends, whether members of his parish or not, will follow him to his new home.

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